

## **Call for individual Governance / Institutional / Legal Expert to assist in the verification process of developing and implementing the climate resilient ICZM plan for the North Coast of Egypt**

### **1. Background**

The Enhancing Climate Change Adaptation in the North Coast and Nile Delta Regions in Egypt Project (ECCADP) aims at supporting the adaptation efforts of Egypt in the North coast and in particular the Nile Delta which is identified by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in its Fourth Assessment Report as one of the world's three "extremely" vulnerable deltas in the world. The objective of the ECCADP is to reduce coastal flooding risks in Egypt's North Coast due to the combination of projected sea level rise and more frequent and intense extreme storm events. Output 1 focuses on constructing 69 km of sand dune dikes at five vulnerable hotspots within the Nile Delta that were identified during an engineering scoping assessment and technical feasibility study. Output 2 focuses on the development of a climate resilient Integrated Coastal Zone Management (ICZM) plan for the entire North Coast of Egypt, to manage long-term risks including climate change.

The ECCADP will facilitate transformational change in the short-term by reducing coastal flooding threats along vulnerable hotspots in the Delta and in the long-term by integrating additional risks of climate change into coastal management and planning, budgeting and implementation of risk reduction measures. The ECCADP is implemented by the Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation (MWRI) and is jointly funded by the Government of Egypt (GoE), the Green Climate Fund (GCF) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

The ECCADP recruited an international consultancy firm to develop and assist in the implementation of a climate resilient ICZM plan for the North Coast of Egypt. The consultancy firm will build on the various outputs of the ICZM scoping study (<http://iczmegyptmaps.ihcantabria.com/Visor>) that was undertaken within the GEF/UNDP funded project, Adaptation to Climate Change in the Nile Delta through ICZM (ACCADP) which was completed in June 2018.

The project seeks to recruit an individual Governance / Institutional / Legal Expert to assist in the verification process of developing and implementing the climate resilient ICZM plan for the North Coast of Egypt – related tasks – as described below in the duties and responsibilities section.

## 2. Duties and responsibilities:

### 2.1 Review and approve the following items (consultancy firm' deliverables):

- 2.1.1 Development of a legal/institutional/administrative framework for a climate change resilient coastal zone.
- 2.1.2 Report on legal, institutional and administrative frameworks for a climate change resilient coastal zone with recommendations for improvement and possible routes to implement those recommendations downscaled and aligned with the local administrative units. This report would include, but not limited to the following:
  - a) An action plan for ICZM implementation in consensus with key stakeholders at each local administrative unit.
  - b) Prerequisites for ICZM in terms of capacity building at different governance levels.
  - c) Administrative procedures for ICZM Plan development and implementation under regulatory system (laws, regulations, decrees, etc) at each local administrative unit.
  - d) Defining the roles and competences of key stakeholders regarding ICZM implementation under the regulatory system at local study units.
- 2.1.3 Development of a framework for stakeholder participation and decision-making.
- 2.1.4 Inventory of major public and private stakeholders and stakeholder organizations (national governmental level, governorate level, civil organizations, and private parties) that may affect or be affected by coastal management policies and interventions.
- 2.1.5 Communication plan: Outline of the process through which stakeholders will be involved in the ICZM process and the development of climate resilient ICZM plan downscaled and aligned with the local administrative units.
- 2.1.6 Hold a number of workshops to Improve coordination at the planning level, horizontally, between central organizations, and vertically, between central organizations and organizations at the local level.
- 2.1.7 Elaboration of the ICZM plan: A climate resilient ICZM plan, defining objectives and options for site-specific measures necessary to achieve a climate resilient development of the North Coast (legal/institutional/administrative perspectives).
- 2.1.8 The Implementation of ICZM plan for two pilot sites (legal/institutional/administrative perspectives).
- 2.1.9 Evaluation report of the implementation of ICZM plan for two pilot sites (legal/institutional/administrative perspectives).
- 2.1.10 Adjustments of the ICZM plan to consider the lessons learnt from the pilot projects for site 1 and site 2 (legal/institutional/administrative perspectives).

### 2.2 Advise on corrective measures for the any defects in the ICZM activities regarding the related tasks.

### 2.3 Participate in meetings and field trips – if needed– with the ICZM consultancy firm and relevant stakeholders.

### 2.4 Provide expert opinion on matters related to legal, institutional, and administrative with the context of the climate resilient ICZM plan.

### 2.5 Provide expert opinion and help in making appropriate decisions in case there is a disagreement between the consultancy firm and the project management unit, or the stakeholders involved in the development of the ICZM plan.

### 3. Duration

3.1 ECCADP will contract the expert for twenty-seven months within which S/He will be asked to deliver a number of reports and attend a number of meetings as part of the process of developing and implementing the climate resilient ICZM plan for the North Coast of Egypt. This contract can be renewed based upon the project requirements and the evaluation of the performance of the work carried out in the preceding year.

3.2 The estimated working days for this task is 90 days during the period of October 2021 – January 2024, and the expert will be contacted for each duty at least one week before their planned dates.

### 4. Deliverables

4.1 Reports that include the review and evaluation of the following items:

4.1.1 Development of legal, institutional and administrative frameworks for a climate change resilient coastal zone with recommendations for improvement and possible routes to implement those recommendations downscaled and aligned with the local administrative units. which include, but not limited to the following:

- An action plan for ICZM implementation in consensus with key stakeholders at the local administrative units.
- Prerequisites for ICZM in terms of capacity building at different governance levels.
- Administrative procedures for ICZM Plan development and implementation under regulatory system (laws, regulations, decrees, etc) at the local administrative units.
- Defining the roles and competences of key stakeholders regarding ICZM implementation under the regulatory system at the local study units.

4.1.2 Development of a framework for stakeholder participation and decision-making which include, but not limited to the following:

- Improve coordination at the planning level, horizontally, between central organizations, and vertically, between central organizations and organizations at the local level.
- Help in integrating laws, plans, regulations, and agreements to overcome difficulties and facilitate the implementation process of ICZM projects to make a real difference on the ground and be reflected on the day-to-day work of executive agencies and communities.

4.1.3 Propose and develop governance national policies and frameworks for crises and disasters management and disaster risk reduction.

4.2 Propose corrective measures to fix any deviations from the ICZM consultancy firm.

4.3 Provide expert opinion – in writing- on matters related to legal, institutional, and administrative with the context of the climate resilient ICZM plan and in case there is a disagreement between the consultancy firm and the project management unit, or the stakeholders involved in the development of the ICZM plan.

4.4 Final report that includes verification process and approval of the above-mentioned deliverables (4.1.1~ 4.1.3).

4.5 lessons learned and recommendations for improvement.

## 5. Qualifications and Experience

- 5.1 University degree in law, social or political sciences or related relevant discipline, preferably at MSc. level.
- 5.2 A minimum of ten (15) years of professional experience in public law and governance and / or other relevant projects.
- 5.3 Previous work experience with similar projects is strongly recommended.
- 5.4 Experience with Integrated Coastal zone and shoreline management projects in Egypt or in countries with similar conditions and comparable complexities would be an advantage.
- 5.5 Knowledge of relevant national and local institutions and laws at would be an advantage.
- 5.6 Fluency in written and spoken English is must and in Arabic is advantage.

## 6. Application:

Please submit your application letter, recent CV, and a financial offer including daily rate and breakdown of costs for achieving the above deliverables to the below email specifying the title of the post:

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Consultancy notice issued on September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

Deadline for application is July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

## 7. Evaluation / Selection Process

All applicants will be screened against qualifications and the competencies set above.

Candidates fully meeting the requirements will be further evaluated based on the criteria below:

### 7.1 Technical Criteria CV review: 70 points (minimum pass score = 50 points):

- 7.1.1 Educational qualification as defined in the ToR (10 points).
- 7.1.2 Experience as defined in the ToR (20 points).
- 7.1.3 Relevant work experience in verification process of ICZM plan (20 points).
- 7.1.4 Experience of the Egyptian northern coasts (20 points).

### 7.2 Financial Criteria: 30 points.

- 7.2.1 Financial scores will be calculated using the formula [lowest offer / financial offer of the candidate x 30].