

REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA



FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST TO ESTABLISH A ROSTER OF TECHNICAL SERVICE PROVIDERS (TSPs) TO SUPPORT ACTIVITIES UNDER THE LIBERIA FOREST SECTOR PROJECT (LFSP)

PROJECT ID: 154114

GRANT NO: TFA2427

1. **Background**

The Government of the Republic of Liberia through the Forestry Development Authority (FDA) has received financing from the Government of Norway, through the Liberia Forest Landscape Trust Fund in an amount equivalent to US\$36.7 million for the Liberia Forest Sector Project (LFSP), and intends to establish a roster of local service delivery providers/Technical Service Providers (TSPs) to support project implementation.

The main beneficiaries of the LFSP are the Liberian communities most directly dependent on forest resources. The direct beneficiaries will be the communities located in the targeted landscapes in (a) the northwest region (Bomi, Lofa, Gbarpulo, and Grand Cape Mount Counties) and (b) the southeast region (south section of Grand Gedeh County and Sinoe, Grand Kru, River Gee, and Rivercess Counties). Communities located in the north Nimba region will benefit from the support provided by the project for regulatory and institutional strengthening.

2. **Aim/Objective**

The main objective is to establish a roster of Technical Service Providers (TSPs) for the development and implementation of service delivery partnerships between the Forestry Development Authority/Environmental Protection Agency and local service delivery providers (Civil Society Organizations, Community Based Organizations, local vocational training institutions, small and medium enterprises, private individual service providers, etc.) to enable the government to deliver the services needed to assist communities in better managing their targeted landscapes.

TSPs will be hired by the FDA on a demand basis to assist communities in a variety of technical areas related to sustainable forest management (SFM) and conservation. Among the services and specialized assistance envisaged are land use and forest management planning, participatory boundary demarcation, livelihood development (agroforestry and forestry enterprises), and information systems management. Local FDA staff (for example, extension

officers and agroforestry rangers) will also work regularly with communities to identify their technical and training needs and serve as liaisons between TSPs and community leaders/members.

The FDA will establish simple rules to define TSPs' membership rights and responsibilities, and a TSP may be removed from the roster in case of noncompliance with the rules. The FDA will also provide training opportunities to TSPs in a variety of social (community organization), economic, and natural resources management topics.

3. The Forestry Development Authority (FDA) now invites eligible local service delivery providers to indicate their interest for inclusion to the TSPs roster. All interested local service delivery providers, at national, regional/local levels, should provide the below information (as applicable) to be considered for the roster.
 - i) A cover letter expressing interest;
 - ii) Profile of the organization (year of establishment, core expertise, past performance including community engagements, and qualification and experience of principals);
 - iii) All legal business documents, including Articles of Incorporation, Certificate of Accreditation, Current Business Registration, Current Tax Clearance or exemption, and Social Security Clearance.
4. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form, clearly marked: **“Ref: TSP to support LFSP Implementation”**, to the address below in person, or by mail, or by e-mail by **April 14, 2017 at 16:00 GMT**.

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