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Scope of work: Consultant for mapping knowledge and gaps in data, transparency, and capacity building practices in the Mekong region

Place of work: Desk research, and online interviews

Start Date: As soon as possible

Finish Date: September 2021

Deliverables: A report of 25 pages max corroborated with summaries of key informant interviews and a virtual workshop for disseminating findings and collecting feedback from potential partners and key informants.

1. Background information to the Services/Goods to be supplied

WWF, the world's leading conservation organization, seeks a Consultant for the USAID-funded Mekong for the Future project activity to be based in one of the five WWF Greater Mekong country offices (Viet Nam, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar).

The Mekong for the Future is a three-year project that will support natural resources governance and transparency across the Greater Mekong through strengthening civil society's ability to engage in natural resource governance and improving their access to, and understanding of, environmental data from public and private sources. The project will strengthen the ability of civil society organizations in the region to coordinate their activities, improve their ability to advocate for and monitor environmental policies, increase transparency and improve their use of environmental data.

- Intermediate Result 1: National and international CSO coordination strengthened.
- Intermediate Result 2: CSOs and citizens better able to engage in policy development, oversight, and advocacy.
- Intermediate Result 3: Increased transparency of natural resource policy and governance and citizen understanding of that information.

2. Specific Services/Goods the Supplier will provide, including methodology and related information

The consultant will lead the process of knowledge mapping and gap analysis concerning key informants' work in the Greater Mekong sub-region in the following practices within the sectors of interest.

The practices are defined as:

- Capacity building in data collection, analysis, literacy, and research
- Improving data accessibility and transparency

The target sectors of interest are:

- Renewable energy and regional integration
- Climate change adaptation for resilient rivers
- Sustainable transboundary investments
- Enabling civic space and governance

Based on the above, the consultant will identify the current strengths, opportunities, and needs of project beneficiaries as well as possible areas of collaboration with key informants and potential partners.



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In detail, the report will tentatively cover each practice within the sectors of interest:

1. Overview of the main organizations active
2. Strengths and gaps of current efforts
3. Lessons learned, challenges, and factors of success of previous projects and activities
4. Needs of project beneficiaries
5. Vulnerable and marginalized groups analysis
6. Opportunities and recommendations
7. Suggested areas of collaboration between organizations
8. Conclusion

Of particular interest to the project is data literacy in the context of climate change.

The final output of the study will consist of a short report (max 25 pages) with a virtual workshop during which feedback from partners will be collected and consolidated.

8. Fees and payment terms

For the satisfactory provision of the Products in compliance with the Agreement, WWF Greater Mekong will pay the Supplier for a total of 20 working days. To apply, interested candidates need to provide a brief proposal with a quotation as follows:

No.	Activity	Expected outputs	Work Days
1	Initial inception to the project and development of the study method	A list of questions for the key informant interviews. An agenda and intended format for the workshop	1
2	Potential partners mapping and key informant interviews (10-15 interviews estimated)	Written summaries of the interviews	9
3	Draft report writing and presentation	A draft report, presented to stakeholders to collect feedback	6
4	Finalization of the report	A final report	4

9. Qualification required for the consultant:

- International experience in working with/in more than one of the Greater Mekong subregion countries
- Good knowledge and experience in capacity building programmes concerning research, data collection, data analysis, data accessibility, and transparency
- Previously experience on similar assignments
- Good knowledge of biodiversity and conservation projects
- High sense of responsibility and commitment
- Able to complete the task according to the deadline
- Fluent spoken and written English

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