

Terms of Reference: Consultant, Climate Finance

July 2022

BACKGROUND

About the NDC Partnership

The NDC Partnership is a global coalition of countries and institutions working to mobilize support and achieve ambitious climate goals while enhancing sustainable development. Through our Partnership, members leverage their resources and expertise to provide countries with the tools they need to implement their NDCs and combat climate change to build a better future. Hosted by WRI, UNFCCC Secretariat, and UNOPS, the NDC Partnership has members in all regions of the world, with staff in Washington, DC, and Bonn, Germany.

About the NDC Partnership's Finance Strategy

Under its 2021-2025 Work Program, the Partnership supports its members in mobilizing finance for NDC action. This support includes:

- Improvement of policy and enabling environments;
- Mainstreaming of climate into development plans and budgets;
- Preparation of investment plans and bankable projects; and
- Financing of those through a combination of different sources.

Finance is the most frequently requested topic for support among our members, and to effectively provide support in this area the Partnership has launched a Finance Strategy. It consists of a menu of service offerings, ranging from more "upstream" support for policy frameworks and integration of NDCs into national development plans and budgets, to supporting NDC investment planning and more "downstream" support for the identification and preparation of NDC aligned projects and mobilizing sources of finance.

SCOPE OF WORK AND DELIVERABLES

Scope of Work

Contribute to the implementation of the Partnership's finance strategy, this consultancy position will report directly to the Director of Knowledge and Learning and will work in close collaboration with the Knowledge and Learning team.

Duration

This is a full-time consultancy position for 6 months. Applicants interested in part-time work are also welcome to apply.

Activities

Project mapping

- Support the development of a searchable database for all NDC project ideas and project proposals received through the Partnership needing support
- Map out relevant project preparation facilities (national, regional and global) to explore potential support opportunities

Insight Briefs and Partnership Briefings

- Conduct analysis on countries' finance needs based on requests for support received through the Partnership
- Conduct interviews with partners to understand reasons for gaps in support for finance-related requests
- Draft an (updated) insight brief on countries' finance needs based on the quantitative and qualitative analysis conducted.
- Support the organization of a Partnership briefing on countries' finance needs, where the analysis can be presented.
- Conduct analysis on countries' subnational-action requests for support based requests for support received through the Partnership.
- Engage with partners active in subnational NDC action to organize an event for the Partnership on subnational action.

Investment Planning

- Support the publication and dissemination of a recently drafted Best Practices Brief on Investment Planning.
- Plan a webinar series on investment planning, following the structure of recent guidance produced through the Partnership.

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

Qualifications

- Minimum 3 years of full-time work experience in development finance, climate finance, project finance or related fields
- Master's degree in economics, finance, development or related topics.
- Strong project management skills and experience managing multi-stakeholder consortia
- Relevant experience working with developing countries will be an asset
- Strong knowledge of the climate finance field and of its main actors
- Excellent writing and oral communication skills in English

- Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work and communicate with teams from different countries
- Ability to work on multiple projects in parallel and manage priorities
- Commitment to the NDC Partnership's mission, values, and approach to climate and development

TO APPLY

To apply for this consultancy position, please send your CV and cover letter to Jesus Alvarado with the NDC Partnership Support Unit, at jesus.alvarado@ndcpartnership.org by 22 July 2022. We will consider applications as they are received.