Request for Proposals (RfP)

IUCN Consultancy Services for A crop climate, suitability and economic cost analysis for the project Improving Environmental Management through Sustainable Land Management in St. Kitts and Nevis

International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources

Regional Office for Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean

Country: St. Kitts and Nevis

Name of the Project: Improving Environmental Management through Sustainable Land

Management in St. Kitts and Nevis Budget Line: PA03159.C2-DR03159.NC

AOP Code: SK41

Interested Proposers are hereby invited to submit a technical and financial proposal for the aforementioned Consultancy Service Please read the information and instructions carefully because non-compliance with the instructions may result in disqualification of your Proposal from this Procurement.

1. **ABOUT IUCN**

IUCN is a membership Union uniquely composed of both government and civil society organisations. It provides public, private and non-governmental organisations with the knowledge and tools that enable human progress, economic development and nature conservation to take place together.

Created in 1948, IUCN is now the world's largest and most diverse environmental network, harnessing the knowledge, resources and reach of more than 1,400 Member organisations and some 18,000 experts. It is a leading provider of conservation data, assessments and analysis. Its broad membership enables IUCN to fill the role of incubator and trusted repository of best practices, tools and international standards.

IUCN provides a neutral space in which diverse stakeholders including governments, NGOs, scientists, businesses, local communities, indigenous peoples organisations and others can work together to forge and implement solutions to environmental challenges and achieve sustainable development.

Working with many partners and supporters, IUCN implements a large and diverse portfolio of conservation projects worldwide. Combining the latest science with the traditional knowledge of local communities, these projects work to reverse habitat loss, restore ecosystems and improve people's well-being.

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2. **REQUIREMENTS**

2.1. A detailed description of the services to be provided can be found in Annex 1 (Terms of Reference)

3. CONTACT DETAILS

3.1. During the course of this RfP, from its publication to the award of a contract, you may not contact of discuss this procurement with any IUCN employee or representative other than the following contact. You must address all correspondence and questions to the contact, including your proposal.

IUCN Contact: Procurement Officer email: procurement.ormacc@iucn.org

4. PROCUREMENT TIMETABLE

4.1. This timetable is indicative and may be changed by IUCN at any time. If IUCN decides that changes to any of the deadlines are necessary, that will be informed.

DATE	ACTIVITY			
15 / 08 / 2022	Publication of the Request for Proposals			
04 / 09 / 2022	Deadline for submission of questions			
15/ 09 / 2022	Deadline for submission of proposals to IUCN ("Submission Deadline")			
19 / 09 / 2022	Clarification and evaluation of proposals			
10/ 10 / 2022	Planned date for contract award			
24/ 10 /2022	Expected contract start date			

- 4.2. Send an email to the IUCN contact to register an email address to receive notifications or clarifications of this bidding process, bidders in turn will be able to confirm if they intend to submit a Proposal before the deadline indicated above.
- 4.3. IUCN reserves the right to issue responses to any question to all Bidders, unless the Bidder making the inquiry expressly requests, at the time of inquiry, that it be kept confidential. If IUCN considers the content of the question and/or the answer to be nonconfidential, it will inform the Bidder, who will have the opportunity to withdraw the question.
- 4.4. At any time before the deadline for submitting Proposals, IUCN may amend the RFP and will send all Bidders who have notified their interest or, failing that, registered an email to receive notifications, and it will be disclosed in the media used. For this end.
- 4.5. If the amendment is substantial, IUCN may extend the deadline for submission of Proposals in order to allow Bidders a reasonable time to take the amendment into consideration in their proposals.

5. PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSALS

5.1. The Bidder interested in submitting a Proposal must submit the following documents, in the order listed, placing:

A. ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS

- a. Copy of identification document or passport (in case of being a foreigner)
- b. Copy of legal invoice for fees collection.

- c. Copy of resume
- d. Letter of interest signed, indicating that the Consultant have read, understood and accept the content of these Terms of Reference. (Annex 2)
- e. Signed Declaration of Undertaking (Annex 3a)
- f. Human Resources Questionnaire filled and signed (Annex 4)

FOR CONSULTANCY COMPANIES:

- a. Copy of Certification of Incorporation
- b. Copy of identification document of the Legal Representative
- c. Copy of legal invoice for fees collection.
- d. Copy of resumes of the Consulting Team
- e. Letter of interest signed, indicating that the Consultant have read, understood and accept the content of these Terms of Reference. (Annex 2)
- f. Signed Declaration of Undertaking signed by the Representative of the Consulting Company or, in the case of a Consortium or group of Consultants, signed by each member indicating that they have read and understood the content of the Declaration (Annex 3b)
- g. Human Resources Questionnaire filled and signed (Annex 4)

B. TECHNICAL PROPOSAL:

i. The technical proposal must address each of the criteria listed below explicitly and separately, citing the reference number of the relevant criterion (Description column).

	Description	Information to be presented	Relative importance (%)				
1	Methodology to be implemented	A detailed description of work to be implemented; the procedure of the consultancy; Instruments and parameters to be used; and participants to be engaged.	30%				
2	Schedule with logical dimension of time	A matrix of activities with scope of work and timelines to achieve the objective of consultancy.	20%				
3	Experience in agribusiness, marketing, or agronomy within St. Kitts and Nevis or the Eastern Caribbean countries.	Company Profile / CV / Responsible for the Consultancy	20%				
4	Experience formulating agricultural projects, preferably including also SLM and CSA projects	Company Profile / CV / Responsible for the Consultancy	20%				
5	Educational background in agronomy, forestry, ecology, biodiversity conservation or any other related field	Company Profile / CV / Responsible for the Consultancy	10%				
TOTAL 10							

i. IUCN will evaluate the technical proposals with respect to each of the criteria indicated in point i) and their relative importance.

- ii. Proposals in any other format will significantly increase the evaluation time and therefore such proposals may be rejected at the discretion of IUCN.
- iii. When resumes (CVs) are requested, these should be from the people who will perform the specified job. Persons submitted as part of the Proposal may only be replaced with the approval of IUCN.
- iv. In the event that a company or group of consultants applies, in addition to the above information, the following must be specified:
 - Responsible for consulting
 - Composition of the consulting team, specialty of each member.
 - Role and responsibility in the activities/products of each member in accordance with the TOR.

C. FINANCIAL PROPOSAL:

<u>Signed</u> by the Proposer, indicating the value of professional services *(in United States Dollars)* in numbers and letters.

- i. It will be considered that the prices presented include all the costs of fees, insurance, taxes, obligations and risks that must be considered for compliance with the Terms of Reference. IUCN will not accept charges beyond those clearly indicated in the Financial Proposal and that are eligible for the execution of the Contract.
- ii. The Bidder will have to assume the payments corresponding to taxes according to regulations in force in its country; You will have to have health and life insurance up to date; and will assume the bank charges by transfer.
- iii. If local or international trips must be made for the execution of this Contract, the costs will be paid by IUCN through reimbursement and will be governed by the IUCN per diem scale for food and lodging.
- iv. Travel expenses related to the execution of this Contract will not exceed the total amount of **\$2000 USD** broken down as follows:

Expense type	Maximum amount
Meals	
Surface Transportation	\$2000.00
Accomodation	
Other expences (detailed)	

- v. For reimbursement of travel expenses, the Proposer must submit a financial report with original invoices/receipts (e.g., transportation, lodging, food and incidentals) to the IUCN Contact Person, in the currency of the Contract, so that the corresponding reimbursement can be processed.
- vi. Expenses related to vehicle maintenance, purchase of electronic equipment, cell phone expenses, consumption expenses or purchase of alcoholic beverages will be considered ineligible expenses.

vii. Breakdown of the Financial Proposal.

For information purposes, it is recommended that the details of the financial proposal be broken down as follows:

	Description	Number of Days	Unit price*	Total price*
1	Item according to proposed workplan			
2				
3				

^{*}USD currency

5.2. Additional information not requested by IUCN should not be included in the proposal and will not be subject to evaluation.

6. SENDING

6.1. The Proposal must be submitted by email to the IUCN Contact (see Section 2). The subject heading of the email shall be [RfP Reference – Proposer name]. The Proposer name is the name of the company/organisation on whose behalf the proposal is being submitted, or the surname of the Proposer in case is bidding as a self-employed consultant. The proposal must be submitted in PDF format. The Proposer may submit multiple emails suitably annotated, e.g., Email 1 of 3, if attached files are too large to suit a single email transmission. You may not submit your Proposal by uploading it to a file-sharing tool (e.g. Dropbox, Google Drive, etc)

7. ELIGIBILITY

7.1. Not applicable

8. VALIDITY

8.1. The proposal must remain valid and capable of acceptance by IUCN for a period of 60 calendar days following the submission deadline.

9. WITHDRAWALS AND CHANGES

9.1. Proposers may freely withdraw or change their proposal at any time prior to the submission deadline by written notice to the IUCN Contact. However, in order to reduce the risk of fraud, no changes or withdrawals will be accepted after the submission deadline.

10. EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS

10.1. Completeness

IUCN will firstly check your proposal for completeness. Incomplete proposals will not be considered further.

10.2. Technical Evaluation

IUCN will evaluate technical proposals with regards to each of the following criteria and their relative importance:

10.2.1. Scoring Method

Proposals will be assigned a score from 0 to 10 for each of the technical evaluation criteria, such that '0' is low and '10' is high. Proposals that receive a score of '0' for any of the criteria will not be considered further.

10.2.2. Technical Score

The score for each technical evaluation criterion will be multiplied with the respective relative weight and these weighted scores added together to give the proposal's overall technical score.

10.3. Financial Evaluation and Financial Scores

The financial evaluation will be based upon the full total price submitted. Financial proposals will receive a score calculated by dividing the lowest financial proposal that has passed the minimum quality thresholds by the total price of your financial proposal.

The proposals total score will be calculated as the weighted sum of the technical score and financial score.

The relative weights will be:

Technical: 70% Financial: 30%

Subject to the requirements in Sections 4 and 7, IUCN will award the contract to the Proposer whose proposal achieves the highest total score.

11. EXPLANATION OF PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE

- 11.1. IUCN is using an Open Procedure for this procurement. This means that all bidders may submit a proposal.
- 11.2. You are welcome to ask questions or seek clarification regarding this procurement. Please email the IUCN Contact (see Section 2), taking note of the deadline for submission of questions in Section 3.1. Late proposals will not be considered. All proposals received by the submission deadline will be evaluated by a team of three or more evaluators in accordance with the evaluation criteria stated in in this RfP. No other criteria will be used to evaluate proposals. The contract will be awarded to the Proposer whose proposal received the highest Total Score. IUCN does, however, reserve the right to cancel the procurement and not award a contract at all.
- 11.3. IUCN will contact all Proposers who submitted their proposal to inform them of the outcome of the evaluation. The timeline in Section 3.1 gives an estimate of when the contract award is expected to be completed, however this date may change depending on how long the evaluation of the proposals takes.

12. CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROCUREMENT

- 12.1. To participate in this procurement, the Proposers are required to submit a proposal, which fully complies with the instructions in this RfP and the Attachments.
- 12.1.1. It is responsibility of each Proposer to ensure the submission of a complete and fully compliant proposal.
- 12.1.2. Any incomplete or incorrectly completed proposal submission may be deemed non-compliant, and as a result will not be consider to proceed further in the procurement process.
- 12.1.3. IUCN will query any obvious clerical errors in a proposal and may, at IUCN's sole discretion, allow a Proposer to correct these, but only if doing so could not be perceived as giving an unfair advantage.
 - 12.2. In order to participate in this procurement, the Proposer must meet the following conditions:
 - Free of conflicts of interest

- Registered on the relevant professional or trade register of the country in which is established (or resident, if self-employed)
- In full compliance with its obligations relating to payment of social security contributions and of all applicable taxes
- Not been convicted of failing to comply with environmental regulatory requirements or other legal requirements relating to sustainability and environmental protection
- Not bankrupt or being wound up
- Never been guilty of an offence concerning professional conduct
- Not involved in fraud, corruption, a criminal organisation, money laundering, terrorism, or any other illegal activity.
- 12.3. Each Proposer shall submit only one proposal, either individually or as a partner in a joint venture. In case of joint venture, one company shall not be allowed to participate in two different joint ventures in the same procurement nor shall a company be allowed to submit a proposal both on its behalf and as part of a joint venture for the same procurement. A Proposer who submits or participates in more than one proposal (other than as a subcontractor or in cases of alternatives that have been permitted or requested) shall cause all the proposals with the Proposer's participation to be disqualified.
- 12.4. By taking part in this procurement, the Proposer accept the conditions set out in this RfP, including the following:
- It is unacceptable to give or offer any gift or consideration to an employee or other representative of IUCN as a reward or inducement in relation to the awarding of a contract. Such action will give IUCN the right to exclude you from this and any future procurements, and to terminate any contract that may have been signed with you.
- Any attempt to obtain information from an employee or other representative of IUCN concerning another bidder will result in disqualification.
- Any price fixing or collusion with other Proposers in relation to this procurement shall give IUCN the right to exclude you and any other involved bidder(s) from this and any future procurements and may constitute a criminal offence.

13. CONFIDENTIALITY AND DATA PROTECTION

- 13.1. IUCN follows the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). The information a Proposer submits to IUCN as part of this procurement will be treated as confidential and shared only as required to evaluate the proposal in line with the procedure explained in this RfP, and for the maintenance of a clear audit trail. For audit purposes, IUCN is required to retain the proposals in its entirety for 10 years after the end of the resulting contract and make this available to internal and external auditors and donors as and when requested.
- 13.2. In the Declaration of Undertaking (Attachment 3) the Proposer needs to give IUCN express permission to use the information submitted in this way, including personal data that forms part of the proposal. Where a Proposer include personal data of employees (e.g. CVs) in the proposal, the Proposer needs to have written permission from those individuals to share this information with IUCN, and for IUCN to use this information as indicated in 8.1. Without these permissions, IUCN will not be able to consider the proposal.

14. COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

14.1. If a Proposer has a complaint or concern regarding the propriety of how a competitive process is or has been executed, then please contact sofiamariela.madrigal@iucn.org. Such complaints or concerns will be treated as confidential and are not considered in breach of the above restrictions on communication (Section 2.1).

15. CONTRACT

15.1. The contract will be based on IUCN's template which terms of which are not negotiable.

16. ANNEXES

Annex 1 Specification of Requirements / Terms of Reference

Annex 2 Letter of Interest

Annex 3 Declaration of Undertaking (select 2a for companies or 2b for self-employed)

Annex 4: Human Resources Questionnaire

ATTACHMENT 1 TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Regional Office for Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature

(IUCN-ORMACC)

REQUIRES

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR

"A crop climate, suitability and economic cost analysis for the project Improving Environmental Management through Sustainable Land Management in St. Kitts and Nevis"

Type of Contract: Professional Consultancy Services

Period: 4 months

Availability: Immediate

Person Responsible for

Supervision:

Pavel Rivera, Agriculture Specialist

1. BACKGROUND AND JUSTIFICATION

The economy in St. Kitts and Nevis (SKN) has undergone a radical transformation during the last sixteen years, which has changed the islands' land-use patterns and pressures on its ecosystems. Sugarcane long dominated the landscape, particularly on the island of St. Kitts, but as a result of unfavourable trading terms, the industry was closed in July 2005. In an effort to diversify the economy, land use zoning has been modified to allow for non-agricultural uses of former sugarcane lands, such as the construction of homes, tourism facilities, schools, commercial & industrial sites, etc. More broadly, SKN has transitioned rapidly towards a more service-oriented economy. This rapid growth comes with sustainable development challenges, as it relates to land use planning and sustainable use of natural resources.

The Global Environment Facility-funded Project, Improving Environmental Management through Sustainable Land Management in St. Kitts and Nevis aims to support SKN to address the drivers of development which have adverse impacts on land and other natural resources as a result of competing demands and reorient all sectors of the economy towards sustainable resource use policies and practices, which together can provide economic opportunities for the country's population while also sustaining ecosystem services and globally significant biodiversity. The Project Objective is to transform degraded forest landscapes areas into biodiversity and climate-friendly areas of sustainable agricultural/agroforestry production.

To achieve these primary goals, the project has three main Components:

Component 1: Integrated and strengthened environmental planning and management on the islands of SKN to support island sustainability;

Component 2: Mainstreaming Biodiversity (BD) conservation, Sustainable Land Management (SLM) and Climate Change Mitigation (CCM) into key development and resource management sectors; and

Component 3: Increased awareness and understanding of issues related to SLM, BD Conservation, and Climate-Smart Agriculture (CSA)¹.

The Global Environment Facility (GEF) with the approval of the Government of SKN (GOSKN) has selected the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) as the Implementing Agency of the project; as well, the GOSKN has selected the International Union for the Conservation of Nature Regional Office for Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean (IUCN-ORMACC) as the Executing Agency.

This TOR is issued under Component 2 subsection 2.2 of the project which focuses on the mainstreaming of Biodiversity (BD) conservation, ²Sustainable Land Management (SLM), and Climate Change Mitigation (CCM) into key development and resource management sectors. This consultancy will specifically identify the most suitable CSA and SLM practices to reduce land degradation and increase carbon sequestration and agricultural crop production.

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE CONSULTANCY

2.1. General:

To conduct a crop climate suitability study to support the implementation of sustainable land management (SLM) practices that would mitigate land degradation and encourage more climate-smart agricultural practices

2.2. Specific:

- Provide quantitative and qualitative characterization on the current agricultural practices (such as labour used, inputs, harvesting, etc.), yields, growth rates, planting densities of the four main crops
- Identify the more suitable crops based on the climate change scenarios and conditions of the country
- Design maximum 5 suitable practices consider as restoration actions including SLM and CSA adapted to climate conditions
- Identify costs of the SLM and CSA practices designed including equipment, required workforce and preparation of the field
- In coordination with the Department of Physical Planning, support the development of the accompanying Land Use Maps for the updated National Physical Development Plan:
- Prepare a proposal for the updated National Physical Development Plan;

¹ Climate-smart agriculture (CSA) encourages sustainable development of agricultural systems through practices and approaches that achieve improved food security, increased resilience, and low emissions development where possible and appropriate in the face of climate change (FAO, 2010)

² Sustainable land management (SLM) strategies and practices can enable farmers and communities to become more resilient to climate change by increasing food production, conserving soil and water, enhancing food security and restoring productive natural resources.

- Finalize the updated National Physical Development Plan;
- Develop a short training manual that can be used to facilitate training to build/enhance the capacity of national authorities to implement the National Physical Development Plan.

3. EXPECTED DELIVERABLES

No.	Deliverable	Description			
1	Report of the current main four land uses situation, including corresponding excel files with assumptions, and indicative quantities of equipment, input and labour on a per hectare basis.	 Expert consultation and Literature review, including national databases. Overview, on a per hectare basis, of the different land uses, including the future pathways of these land uses in terms of yields, labour requirements, inputs needed among others. This information will be on a unit basis (kg, litres, labour days, etc.) and is on a per hectare basis and will be based on national/or regional averages for each of the SLM and CSA action so it represents an example of the current land uses. For each land use assessed, all assumptions, quantities of input, equipment, labour used per year and per hectare should be compiled in a excel document.³ 			
2	List of the crops adapted to the climate change scenarios	 The list must: Overview of the main environmental aspects for crops implementation of the climate change scenarios reported by the country in the official Communications made before the UNFCCC Examples of crops with similar environmental conditions and climate change scenarios in the other Caribbean islands The description of the physiological conditions of the crop Recommendation of crops adapted to future conditions for the current land-uses. 			
3	Design of the Sustainable Land Management (SLM), and Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) actions	The design of the actions must be consulted and Endorsed by the main stakeholders related to the SLM and CSA practices. The report must include at least the next information and must be developed based on crops identified on the second product, based on successful experiences in the Caribbean region and in collaboration with main stakeholders in the country: 1. Estimate timeline, in years, for the design of the SLM and CSA actions, considering (1) implementation phase, and (2) management and production phase. 2. Design the SLM and CSA actions providing information on the labour and input needs, and the different practices (for example digging holes, establishing live fences and harvesting) that will be used or applied during the implementation and production/management of the different actions. 3. Estimate the future path (yields, practices, etc.) of each of the current land uses considered with and without adoption of SLM and CSA. 4. Provide ranges of variation of yields 5. Results of the consultation process			

4	Report presenting the results of the Costs analysis of the SLM	Provide the costs of labour and inputs used in the current land use and the related FLR action, it is
	and CSA practices, including corresponding excel files for each land uses	required to specify aspects such as: the prices on agricultural products and timber and non-timber forest products, depending on the FLR actions identified, discount factor for the impact of environmental agents (e.g. monkeys) and data source used

4. INTELECTUAL PROPERTY

All Intellectual Property rights conceived or made by the Consultant / Consulting Firm in the course of providing the Services will belong to IUCN.

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 $^{^{\}scriptscriptstyle 3}$ IUCN will provide Excel templates used in other analysis of restoration actions.

5. SCHEDULING AND TIMETABLE FOR DELIVERING PRODUCTS

5.1. Activities and programming

	Specific objectives	Activities	Week															
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а	Provide quantitative and qualitative characterization on the current agricultural practices (such labour used, inputs, harvesting, etc.), yields, growth rates, planting densities of the four current land uses of the main crops	 Identify, assess and facilitate the engagement of key informants, institutions, stakeholders in collaboration with the national authorities and IUCN focal point. Expert consultation and literature review, including national databases. List data needs Develop average representations of current land uses on a per hectare basis 																
b	Identify the more suitable crops based on the climate change scenarios and conditions of the country	 Conduct research on historic climatic conditions of the island. Review national country communications and other sources to identify climate scenarios Explore and identify examples of crops with similar environmental conditions and adapted to similar climate change scenarios in the other Caribbean islands Identify and draft the crop list and socialize it with the 																

	ersion 0.2. June 2022	key informants/stakeholders to define a final list of the more suitable crops • Describe crop physiological conditions
С	Design maximum 5 suitable practices consider as restoration actions including SLM and CSA adapted to climate conditions	Conduct research on cultural cultivation and agricultural dieting of nationals. Conduct surveys in and around farming communities as well as targeting ministry officials, extension officers and other officers in, Sustainable Development, Environment, and Social Development to identify different needs, actual SLM and CSA projects, and possible alternatives. Identify main crops utilize by consumers on the island and crops planted by major cultivators. Analyse the effects on the green vervet monkey on production and consumption. Estimate timeline for all SLM and CSA actions Design the SLM and CSA actions providing information on the labour and input needs, and the different practices (for example digging holes, establishing live fences and harvesting) that will be used or applied during the implementation

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		and production/management of the different actions. Stakeholder meetings with key government officials in the Department of Agriculture, Environment, and the Ministry of Sustainable Development, and farmers and within farming communities to review the designed practices Estimate the future path (yields, practices, etc.) of each of the current land uses considered. Provide ranges of variation of yields
d	Costs of the SLM and CSA practices including equipment, required workforce, preparation of the field	 Prepare a scientific evaluation and assessment tool to gather the necessary information required. Carry out surveys in and around the farming communities and with key stakeholders (virtual or inperson) to understand and guide the successful completion of the objective. Outline the steps taken in carrying out the cost analysis. Identify the model use for the cost analysis and with detailed findings and recommendations. Outline the contributing factors that improve or hinder

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	the growth of the farmers and their communities. Include a discount factor for the impact of environmental agents (e.g. monkeys) Outline the current threat and opportunities that can be obtain with completion of this consultancy.

5.2. Timetable for delivery of products:

Products	Expected date of delivery	Percentage of pay
Report of the current land uses situation (include excel files)	Four weeks after the signing of the contract by both parties.	20%
2. List of the crops adapted to the climate change scenarios (include excel files)	Six (7) weeks after the signature of the contract by parties.	20%
3. Design of the Sustainable Land Management (SLM), and Climate Smart Agriculture (CSA) actions (include excel files)	Twelve (11) weeks after the signature of the contract by parties	30%
4. Costs of the SLM and CSA practices (include excel files)	Sixteen (16) weeks after the signature of the contract by parties	30%

⁻ All products will be paid once delivered to IUCN's complete satisfaction.

6. TECHNICAL PROFILE

For the development of this consultancy, the following profile is required:

- Should hold a Masters' Degree in any of the following field; agronomy, forestry, ecology, biodiversity conservation or any other related field
- A master's degree in economics is a plus
- At least 5 years of experience in agribusiness, marketing, agronomy within St. Kitts and Nevis or the Eastern Caribbean countries.
- Experience of at least 5 years in experience in formulating agricultural projects, preferably including also SLM and CSA projects.
- Ability and excellence in English oral expression and writing skills.

7. PERIOD AND COORDINATION

The period of the consultancy will be 4 months.

Form of work (with Unit/Project): in order to achieve the products, specify –when applicable-whether it will be necessary to work/coordinate with teams, participate in work sessions, etc....and specify *who* the team members are and *what* they are involved in.

⁻Disbursements will depend on the availability of funds from the donor.

⁻The consultant / consulting firm must consider in the technical proposal the modification of some deliverables during the execution of the contract, if it is necessary, to adapt some results, without affecting the amount of the original contract.

ANNEX 2: LETTER OF INTEREST

Fill in the information in blue

ATTACHMENT 3a - SELF-EMPLOYED PROPOSER

DECLARATION in relation to RfP < A crop climate, suitability and economic cost analysis for the project Improving Environmental Management through Sustainable Land Management in St. Kitts and Nevis >

I, the undersigned, hereby confirm that I am self-employed and able to provide the service independent of any organisation or other legal entity.

Full name (as in passport):

Home or Office (please delete as appropriate) Address (incl. country):

I hereby authorise IUCN to store and use the information included in the attached Proposal for the purpose of evaluating Proposals and selecting the Proposal IUCN deems the most favourable. I acknowledge that IUCN is required to retain my Proposal in its entirety for 10 years after then end of the resulting contract and make this available to internal and external auditors and donors as and when requested.

I further confirm that the following statements are correct:

- 1. I am legally registered as self-employed in accordance with all applicable laws.
- 2. I am fully compliant with all my tax and social security obligations.
- 3. I am free of any real or perceived conflicts of interest with regards to IUCN and its Mission.
- 4. I agree to declare to IUCN any real or perceived emerging conflicts of interests I may have concerning IUCN. I acknowledge that IUCN may terminate any contracts with me that would, in IUCN sole discretion, be negatively affected by such conflicts of interests.
- 5. I have never been convicted of grave professional misconduct or any other offence concerning my professional conduct.
- 6. I have never been convicted of fraud, corruption, money laundering, supporting terrorism or involvement in a criminal organisation.
- 7. I acknowledge that engagement in fraud, corruption, money laundering, supporting terrorism or involvement in a criminal organisation will entitle IUCN to terminate any and all contracts with me with immediate effect.
- 8. I am not included in the UN Security Council Sanctions List, EU Sanctions Map, US Office of Foreign Assets Control Sanctions List, or the World Bank listing of ineligible firms and individuals. I agree that I will not provide direct or indirect support to firms and individuals included in these lists.
- 9. I have not been, am not, and will not be involved or implicated in any violations of Indigenous Peoples' rights, or injustice or abuse of human rights related to other groups or individuals, including forced evictions, violation of fundamental rights of workers as defined by the International Labour Organization's (ILO) Declaration on the Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, child labour, sexual exploitation, sexual abuse, or sexual harassment.

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ATTACHMENT 3b - For Consulting Companies

DECLARATION in relation to RfP < A crop climate, suitability and economic cost analysis for the project Improving Environmental Management through Sustainable Land Management in St. Kitts and Nevis >

$I, the \ undersigned, \ hereby \ confirm \ that \ I \ am \ an \ authorised \ representative \ of \ the \ following \ organisation:$
Registered Name of Organisation (the "Organisation"):
Registered Address (incl. country):
Year of Registration:

I hereby authorise IUCN to store and use the information included in the attached Proposal for the purpose of evaluating Proposals and selecting the Proposal IUCN deems the most favourable. I acknowledge that IUCN is required to retain the Proposal in its entirety for 10 years after then end of the resulting contract and make this available to internal and external auditors and donors as and when requested.

Where the Proposal includes Personal Data as defined by the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), I confirm that the Organisation has been authorised by each Data Subject to share this Data with IUCN for the purposes stated above.

I further confirm that the following statements are correct:

- 1. The Organisation is duly registered in accordance with all applicable laws.
- 2. The Organisation is fully compliant with all its tax and social security obligations.
- 3. The Organisation and its staff and representatives are free of any real or perceived conflicts of interest with regards to IUCN and its Mission.
- 4. The Organisation agrees to declare to IUCN any real or perceived emerging conflicts of interests it or any of its staff and representatives may have concerning IUCN. The Organisation acknowledges that IUCN may terminate any contracts with the Organisation that would, in IUCN sole discretion, be negatively affected by such conflicts of interests.
- 5. None of the Organisation's staff has ever been convicted of grave professional misconduct or any other offence concerning their professional conduct.
- 6. Neither the Organisation nor any of its staff and representatives have ever been convicted of fraud, corruption, money laundering, supporting terrorism or involvement in a criminal organisation.
- 7. The Organisation acknowledges that engagement by itself or any of its staff in fraud, corruption, money laundering, supporting terrorism or involvement in a criminal organisation will entitle IUCN to terminate any and all contracts with the Organisation with immediate effect.
- 8. The Organisation is a going concern and is not bankrupt or being wound up, is not having its affairs administered by the courts, has not suspended business activities, is not the subject of proceedings concerning those matters, or in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations.
- 9. The Organisation complies with all applicable environmental regulatory requirements or other legal requirements relating to sustainability and environmental protection.
- 10. The Organisation is not included in the UN Security Council Sanctions List, EU Sanctions Map, US Office of Foreign Assets Control Sanctions List, or the World Bank listing of ineligible firms and individuals. The Organisation agrees that it will not provide direct or indirect support to firms and individuals included in these lists.
- 11. The Organisation has not been, is not, and will not be involved or implicated in any violations of Indigenous Peoples' rights, or injustice or abuse of human rights related to other groups or individuals, including forced evictions, violation of fundamental rights of workers as defined by the International Labour Organization's (ILO) Declaration on the Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, child labour, sexual exploitation, sexual abuse, or sexual harassment.

<Date and Signature of authorised representative of the Proposer>

< Name and position of authorised representative of the Proposer >

ATTACHMENT 4: HUMAN RESOURCES QUESTIONNAIRE

HR Questionnaire for Consultancy Contracts

Consultant / Company Name		
Country of Residency		
Required Checks		
	Yes	No
Are payments linked to deliverables?		
Does the consultant have official invoices?		
Required documents		
	Yes	No
Professional insurance/medical insurance policy statement, valid during the project's execution term		
Civil responsibility policy: should include at least coverage for physical injuries and/or death of third persons, and coverage for damages to others' property		
Other Assignments Name other organizations for which the consultant has previously worked for:		
Previous assignments with the IUCN (please indicate the last three): 1. 2. 3.		
Are you currently working on a consulting with IUCN? If so, please specify the nar person responsible for the consultancy and the end date.	ne of the co	nsultancy, the
For Self-Employed Consultants:		
Is the Consultant part of one of IUCN Commissions?		
Yes No		

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If so, please indicate which of the following Commissions:
World Commission on Protected Areas International Law Commission Species Survival Commission Commission on Ecosystem Management Commission on Education and Communication Commission on Environmental, Economic and Social Policy
For Consultant Companies:
Is the Company/Organization an IUCN Member?
Yes No
Consultant Signature:
Date: