

Title: Africa PEAT: Catalyzing Peatlands Carbon for Natural Climate Solutions in Africa

RFP No: FY24-005

Response to Bidder Questions

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Question	Response
1. Could you please provide us with the indicative budget for the assignment	The budget is between USD 57,000-67,000 USD inclusive of field mobility.
2. Can a firm make a consortium between firms for this assignment?	Conservation International anticipates awarding a single contract for this scope of work. Bidders may team with one or more other consultants on a proposal, if they determine this will lead to a stronger proposal and ability to carry out the project. In this case, CI would contract the lead agency; that agency should be identified in the proposal.
3. Is there any requirement for a local expert if the firm is international?	Having a local expert is an added advantage.
4. Will CI be awarding this as a contract or grant? Please clarify how the specific VAT will apply here or if there is VAT exemption for non-profit organizations?	This will be awarded as a fixed price contract. Per the Cost Proposal instructions, all applicable taxes (such as VAT) and fees should be included and detailed in the financial proposal. The CI program awarding this contract is not typically subject to VAT and taxes are not withheld and will be payable by Service provider.

