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Le World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) Cameroon seeks a Consultant for the Communal Forest and the surrounding Community Forests in Yokadouma

About WWF

World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF) is an international non-governmental organization founded in 1961 that works to protect nature. Its mission is to conserve nature and reduce the most pressing threats to the diversity of life on Earth. Our vision is to build a future in which people live in harmony with nature. As such, it seeks to: save the planet by balancing the needs of humans with those of other species that share the Earth, practice humane conservation in the broadest sense, instill in people everywhere a quiet but unconcealed respect for nature and balance that respect with a deep belief in human possibility, inspire others who can advance the cause of conservation.

Background:

For more than two decades Cameroon has been committed to a very serious approach to responsible logging, biodiversity conservation and local processing. Thus, the old logging regime has been replaced by that of the forest management units (FMU) allocated for 30 years. This allows the beneficiary companies to make heavier investments and to participate in sustainable management.

In addition to the FMU system, the government has also set up the community forest system and communal forests to allow village communities to exploit the forests on their land themselves. This very selective exploitation is carried out each year, often in partnership with private companies, and nevertheless gives rise to many abuses, notably the poor compliance with the prescriptions of the development plan and the environmental and social management plan, which is the cause of the degradation of the forest cover and biodiversity.

In order to monitor in time and space the effects of various joint actions carried out to conserve the integrity of the forest. WWF intends to set up a forest integrity monitoring system within the riparian communities. To this end, it proposes to conduct a baseline study on forest integrity in the Yokadouma communal forest and peripheral community forests using the Forest Integrity Assessment (FIA) tool. Specifically, the project will:

- Stratify and sample said forests;
- Collect data on: Structure and composition, threats and impacts, target habitats and species....;
- Make estimates by strata of the state of the forest.

Missions of the consultant / Deliverables

The consultant shall produce the following:

1. A working methodology to be validated together with WWF;
2. An evaluation report including the following chapters: Summary, abstract, list of tables, figures and photos, list of acronyms, context and rationale for the evaluation, methodology, results, conclusion and recommendations. The report should not exceed 35 pages.

Consultant Profile

Any person interested in this consultation must have the following qualifications:

- At least 5 years of higher education in forestry, agricultural, environmental and botanical sciences;
- At least 5 years of relevant experience, preferably in a governmental or non-governmental; international or sub-regional institution, in forest inventory and environmental and social impact assessment;
- A good knowledge of the biophysical environment and the socio-economic context of the work area;
- A good knowledge of at least one cartographic software;
- Have already conducted similar work;
- Ability to communicate orally and in writing in French or English.

How to apply:

Interested candidates must submit by **September 5, 2022** an application consisting of the following elements:

- A detailed CV;
- A methodological offer (max 01 page) explaining the understanding of the mission and the description of the way to conduct it;
- A detailed financial offer, mentioning the unit prices and quantities proposed, per diem, all travel expenses.

Applications should be sent in one document and one email to: recruit-cam@wwfcam.org

Please indicate in the subject line of the email: **"Evaluation of the forest integrity in the Yokadouma communal forest and peripheral community forests.**

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