Terms of References
Individual Consultant to develop a chapter on the information on financial, technology transfer and capacity-building support needed and received as part of 1BTR
National Consultants only

BACKGROUND

Egypt ratified the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in 1992, Kyoto Protocol in 2005 and signed the Paris Agreement in 2016. As Party to the Convention, Egypt has the obligation to implement decisions of the Conference of the Parties (COP) regarding the implementation of policies and measures to adapt to, and mitigate climate change, thereby contributing to the attainment of the objective of the Convention.

Article 13 of the Paris Agreement establishes an Enhanced Transparency Framework (ETF) for action and support designed to build trust and confidence that all countries are contributing their share to the global effort. By tracking and reporting on the progress and implementation challenges of their climate pledges, countries will have the necessary information to strengthen their ambition in the future and identify new priority areas for action, along with the resources needed to ensure that each Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) cycle builds on the previous one.

Egypt has prepared Four National Communications (NCs): The First National Communication (FNC) in 1999; the Second National Communication (2NC) in 2010; the Third National Communication (3NC) which all have submitted to the UNFCCC in 1999, 2010 and 2016 respectively. The Fourth National Communication (4NC) is currently in progress with standalone NIRs as mandated by articles 4 and 12 of the Convention to be submitted to the UNFCCC in 2024. Also, Egypt has prepared and submitted one Biennial Update Reports (BURs): First Biennial Update Report (1BUR), with a standalone NIR (National Inventory Report) in 2018.

Egypt submitted its Intended Nationally Determined Contribution (INDC) in 2015 and officially communicated the NDC to the UNFCCC in 2017 to conform with decisions 1/CP.19 and 1/CP.20 of the COP. Egypt submitted its Updated NDC in 2022 and 2023 with the aim to reduce the total GHG emissions relative to Business-As-Usual (BAU) emissions level in 2030 including set targets for Electricity, Oil and Gas (associated gases) and Trasport Sectors.

The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement (CMA) decided that Parties shall submit their first Biennial Transparency Report (1BTR) and national inventory report, if submitted as a stand-alone report, in accordance with the adopted modalities, procedures and guidelines, at the latest by 31 December 2024.
Development of Egypt’s First Biennial Transparency Report (1BTR), and a combined Second Biennial Transparency and Fifth National Communication Report to the UNFCCC (2BTR+5NC) Project supports Government of Egypt to develop and submit its First Biennial Transparency for the fulfillment of the obligations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Paris Agreement (PA) in line with the Modalities, procedures and guidelines (MPGs1), for the transparency framework for action and support referred to in Article 13 of the Paris Agreement (Decision 18/CMA.1) and the guidance on operationalizing the MPGs as per Decision 5/CMA.3. The project will strengthen technical and institutional capacity to assist Egypt mainstream climate change concerns into sectoral and national development priorities by strengthening and giving continuity to the institutional and technical capacity development that has been initiated and sustained by the National Communications and Biennial Update Reports processes to date.

OBJECTIVE

The project aims to hire an individual consultant; to prepare a chapter on the information on financial, technology transfer and capacity-building support needed and received under Articles 9, 10 and 11 of the Paris Agreement, in accordance with the MPGs contained in chapter VI. The chapter will be a main part of Egypt’s First Biennial Transparency Report (BTR1-Egypt) aimed at enabling the Government of Egypt in the preparation and submission of its First Biennial Transparency Report for the fulfillment of the obligations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Paris Agreement (PA).

It is anticipated that the assignment will be conducted in close cooperation with the Ministry of Environment, and other ministries and stakeholders in the national council of climate change.

SCOPE OF WORK

The Consultant will work under the direct supervision of the Project Manager, and in close cooperation with the Ministry of Environment, and other ministries and stakeholders in the national council of climate change

*It’s a MUST for the consultant to be strictly guided by Chapter VI: information on financial, technology transfer and capacity-building support needed and received under Articles 9, 10 and 11 of the Paris Agreement, as stated in the Modalities, Procedures, and Guidelines (MPGs) which annexed to decision 18/CMA.1*

- Conduct a desk review of relevant national documents, including national development plans, climate change strategies, and NDC implementation plans.
- Review UNFCCC guidelines for BTR reporting on NDC progress (MPG).
- Analyze the country's needs for financial resources, technology transfer, and capacity building to effectively implement its NDC and achieve its climate goals.

1 annex to decision 18/CMA.1
− Gather and analyze information on financial support received from developed country Parties and the Green Climate Fund (GCF) and other relevant climate finance mechanisms.
− Gather and analyze information on technology transfer support received, including access to technologies, knowledge sharing, and capacity building for technology deployment.
− Identify and analyze existing capacity-building initiatives and programs related to climate change.
− Develop a clear understanding of the effectiveness and impact of received financial, technology, and capacity-building support.
− Prepare the chapter on financial, technology transfer, and capacity-building support for the BTR, following the outline provided by the UNFCCC
  o National Circumstances: Briefly describe the country's context, including its development priorities and vulnerabilities.
  o Financial Support Needed and Received: Analyze the financial resources needed to implement the NDC and achieve climate goals. Detail received financial support from various sources, including types, amounts, and effectiveness in addressing needs.
  o Technology Development and Transfer Needs and Received Support: Describe the technology needs for NDC implementation and achieved technology transfer support. Analyze the effectiveness of technology transfer and identify remaining gaps.
  o Capacity-Building Needs and Received Support: Analyze capacity-building needs for effective climate action and detail received support for capacity building. Evaluate the effectiveness of capacity building initiatives.
− Develop clear and concise tables summarizing information on financial, technology, and capacity-building support, both needed and received.
− Prepare any necessary data visualizations, such as charts and graphs, to illustrate key findings.
− Work with the CCU in the relevant ministries on every stage of preparing the report (this means that every consultant will have one team form the ministry related to the sector which will work on it not all the ministries)
− Participate in meetings and consultations with the BTR development team.
− Provide technical advice on financial, technology transfer, and capacity-building aspects of the BTR.
− Address any comments or revisions requested by the BTR development team.
− Prepare technical responses to any comments and questions that may be raised during the Technical Expert Review and Facilitative Multilateral Consideration processes of the BTR.

**DATA PROVISIONS**
1. Compiling all the data/information required is the responsibility of the Consultants.
2. The 1BTR-5NC/2BTR-Egypt Project can support the Consultants by issuing Official Support Letters to facilitate the data collection from Governmental entities and provide available documents from previous projects (i.e. FNC).

**DELIVERABLES:**
The consultant is expected to deliver the following deliverables.

1. Inception Report that explains the methodological approach and workplan
2. A complete draft chapter (about 20 pages) on financial, technology transfer, and capacity-building support for the BTR, following the UNFCCC BTR reporting guidelines.

All deliverables will have to be delivered in electronic formats to Egypt’s First Biennial Transparency Report Project (BTR1Egypt) as a MS Word document.

**Indicative Table of Contents of the financial, technology transfer, and capacity-building support Chapter (guided by MPGs):**

1. Executive Summary
2. National circumstances, institutional arrangements, and country-driven strategies
3. Underlying assumptions, definitions, and methodologies
4. Information on financial support needed by Egypt under Article 9 of the Paris Agreement
5. Information on financial support received by Egypt under Article 9 of the Paris Agreement
6. Information on technology development and transfer support needed by Egypt under Article 10 of the Paris Agreement
7. Information on technology development and transfer support received by Egypt under Article 10 of the Paris Agreement
8. Information on capacity-building support needed by Egypt under Article 11 of the Paris Agreement
9. Information on capacity-building support received by Egypt under Article 11 of the Paris Agreement
10. Information on support needed and received by Egypt for the implementation of Article 13 of the Paris Agreement and transparency-related activities, including for transparency-related capacity-building

**DURATION OF THE ASSIGNMENT**
The level of work for this assignment is estimated at **15-man days**. The duration of conducting the assignment is **TWO months** starting from contract signature date. Consultant should exert their utmost effort to deliver on time otherwise fees will be subject to reduction as delay penalty.
QUALIFICATIONS

1. An advanced degree (Master’s or PhD) in climate change finance, international development, or a related field.
2. Experience in analyzing climate finance flows and reporting requirements under the Paris Agreement is preferred.
3. Knowledge of climate technology transfer mechanisms and capacity-building initiatives for climate action.
4. Strong analytical, research, and writing skills.
5. Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.
6. Experience working on international reporting requirements is desirable.
7. Fluency in English is required

MILESTONES

1. The Consultant in coordination with BTR1-Egypt Project Manager will arrange an orientation kick-off meeting to agree on methodological approach and other arrangements.
2. The Consultant will have at least one follow up meetings with BTR1-Egypt, UNDP and MoE.
3. The Consultant will submit the following.
   a) Inception report including time schedule work plan after the orientation kick-off meeting.
   b) First draft of the financial, technology transfer, and capacity-building support chapter after TWO Months of contracting date
   c) Final the financial, technology transfer, and capacity-building support chapter after ONE Week of receiving comments from ministries.

SCOPE OF BID PRICE AND SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

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APPLICATION PROCESS:

1. Proposals to be submitted by national experts including detailed and updated CV and the Technical and Financial offers.

2. Applications will be evaluated on basis (technical 70%/ Financial 30%), according to the evaluation of CVs, company experience, methodology.

3. Applications to be sent in soft copies to,

   Dr. Samir Tantawi, Project Manager (Egypt’s First BTR Project)

   Email: samir_tantawi@hotmail.com

   Closing Date: 18.Jun.2024