



Request for Proposal

DATA MODELLING FOR CLIMATE PROSPERITY PLANS

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Introduction to Aroha

Aroha was established with its seat in Geneva in 2017 as an independent, international non-profit organization operating worldwide. Aroha aims to avert climate chaos by mobilizing actions towards limiting global warming to 1.5°C, enhancing protection of vulnerable communities and ecosystems, and maximizing benefits of the transition to a climate resilient future.

Aroha hosts the Financial Futures Center (FFC): an economic and financial research initiative supporting developing countries to catalyze a transformation by optimizing core economic and climate responses together within the real economy.

Climate Prosperity Plans

The initiative of creating "Climate Prosperity Plans" (CPPs) to provide a roadmap for members of the Climate Vulnerable Forum & Vulnerable 20 (CVF/V20) to move from climate vulnerability to climate prosperity was officially launched by H.E. Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of Bangladesh, in October 2020. Through the Dhaka-Glasgow Declaration of November 2021 and its preparatory Regional Dialogues, more than 35 countries have expressed interest for developing such a plan.

The CPPs are conceived as strategic investment agendas to boost planetary prosperity and tackle climate threats. They aim to attract new investments to drive prosperity on the frontlines of the climate emergency. To do so, the CPPs offer an analysis of low-carbon and climate resilient options and provide recommendations for project typology on a country-specific basis, while also specifying financing structures and recommended investment pathways for implementation. CPPs also aim to highlight and quantify socio-economic benefits of a climate-smart approach to prosperity.

Purpose and modalities of the assignment

Aroha/FFC are looking for a contractor to develop a framework macro-economic model for the creation of CPPs. This includes the development of an integrated set of modelling systems, national and subnational data and synthesizing and explanatory texts, graphs and other visuals, and a data interface.

As the final list of CPPs to be delivered depends highly on government engagement, the payment for the assignment will be structured in stages. The first stage will cover model work as well as the

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development of CPPs for three initial countries. Additional countries will be confirmed one by one thereafter in later stages.

Terms of reference

<u>Scope</u>

- Analysis spanning 11 countries in 2022: Costa Rica, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Grenada, Guyana, Kenya, Lebanon, Maldives, Philippines, Rwanda, Senegal
- 15-20 countries in 2023, including but to be confirmed the following potential countries: Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Cambodia, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of Congo, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Eswatini, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Kiribati, Liberia, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Morocco, Mozambique, Nepal, Nicaragua, Palau, Palestine, Samoa, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Tunisia, Uganda and Vanuatu.
- Timeframes: 2020 2050 inclusive 2030 and 2040; earlier periods according to baseline needs TBD
- Simplified data interface (accessible online) with variable/parameter options to enable simulations and testing/interrogation together with policy counterparts in the CVF/V20 /Aroha/FFC CPP team and CVF government counterparts
- Iterative development and refinement of the modeling system over time

Data and modelling

- Macro-fiscal and emissions model:
 - Country-specific, sectoral and sub-sectoral level
 - Responsive to simulations, inclusive outcome assessments according to different scenarios: baseline, business as usual, NDC, and government economic and fiscal targets
 - Ability to integrate with climate resilience, renewable energy and loss and damage models (ref. below)
 - Encompasses, among others, net exports, inflation, debt and debt sustainability, public accounts (budget, surplus, deficit), disposable income by economic groups, employment and job creation including differentiated by skill level (e.g. low-skill/highskill), foreign investment
 - National emissions scenarios by major sectors and emissions abatement responsiveness in conjunction with climate resilience and renewable energy models
- Climate resilience model:
 - Sectoral/sub-sectoral economic and non-economic data to subnational level per country for principal climate risks/impacts over the timeframes
 - Responsive to simulations of the effect of different adaptation/resilience measures and investments over the timeframes
 - Leveraging the maximum of available Climate Vulnerability Monitor 3 data/methodologies to inform the model
 - CVF/V20/Aroha/FFC CPP team to provide advice on adaptation/resilience measures to inform the model



- Renewable energy model:
 - Responsive to simulations of different scenarios of leveraging available domestic renewable energy potential through the deployment of different RE technologies and investments together with energy efficiency/conservation measures, e.g. insulation
 - Integrates general energy production consumption model (national/subnational/sectoral level) inclusive HVAC consumption modelling and response to heat stress risk, and domestic transportation and EV mobility growth
 - Integration of principal health and environmental co-benefits data points/air pollution energy mix scenarios
 - Ability to weight theoretical maximum leveraging RE resources, with practical leveraging of resources (i.e. accounting for reasonable project and financing timelines), and socially acceptable leveraging (i.e. accounting for what types of technology deployment the government is willing to support/promote – inputs to be given by CVF/V20/Aroha/FFC CPP team)
 - CVF/V20/Aroha/FFC CPP team to provide advice on RE investments, tech and energy efficiency measures to inform the model
- Loss and damage model:
 - Responsive to simulations of financial protection measures against climate and disaster risk
 - Ability to pay simulations for premiums linked to financial protection products
 - Public expenditure analysis for financial protection measures according to different scenarios
 - Leveraging the maximum of available Climate Vulnerability Monitor 3 data/methodologies to inform the model
 - CVF/V20/Aroha/FFC CPP team to provide advice on financial protection measures and strategies to inform the model

Award criteria

Award criterion	Maximum score	Minimum score/Threshold
Technical award criteria (quality of the proposal), including the following sub-criteria:	70	35
 Suitability of proposal to Aroha/FFC needs and solutions to potential challenges facing Aroha/FFC. 	10 points	5 points
 Understanding of the concept, purpose and scope of the CPPs and suitability of the proposed contribution to such plans. 	10 points	10 points
 Suitability of the proposal to respond to the macro-economic modelling needs of the CPPs, including the integration of climate 	20 points	10 points



	resilience, renewable energy and loss and damage models.		
•	Adaptability of the proposed model to country-specific contexts, including flexibility of indicators and (sub-)sectors available for modelling for a given country.	20 points	5 points
•	Suitability of the proposal for integration into a standardized process of CPP development.	10 points	5 points
Price		30	
Total		100	

Minimum score per technical award criterion (threshold):

Proposals scoring less than 50% of the maximum score for any technical award criterion will be considered of insufficient quality and rejected.

Minimum total score for technical award criteria (threshold):

Proposals scoring less than 50% will be deemed to be of insufficient quality and eliminated from further consideration.

Aroha/FFC will inform all bidders about the outcome at the end of the evaluation process.

Exclusion criteria

Bidders must provide a Declaration of Honor (see Annex 1), duly signed and dated, including a statement that they are not in any of the situations listed in EU Directive 2014/24. Bidders may be excluded from participation in the present procurement procedure if they are found to be in one of the situations for exclusion or fail to submit the abovementioned declaration.

How to submit a proposal

Proposals need to be submitted to the following address: <u>procurement@aroha.ngo</u>. The deadline for submission is **28.03.2022** at **17:00 CET**.

The proposal should clearly state the following bidder information:

- Official name
- Official address
- Official legal form or sole expert status
- Designated contact point

The proposal should contain both a technical proposal (including the demonstration of understanding of the assignment, the deliverables, and the proposed methods) and a financial proposal that accounts for a payment structure in stages as described above. It must also include the signed Declaration of Honor (Annex 1).



Any questions regarding the assignment must be sent to procurement@aroha.ngo before 25.03.2022.





Annex 1

DECLARATION ON HONOUR REGARDING EXCLUSION CRITERIA

Declaration on honour

The undersigned [insert name of the signatory of this form], representing:

Full official name: Official legal form: Statutory registration number: Full official address: VAT registration number: ('the **Organisation**')

I – Situations of exclusion

(1) declares that the above-mentioned Organisation is in one of the following situations:	YES	NO
 (a) it is bankrupt, subject to insolvency or winding-up procedures, its assets are being administered by a liquidator or by a court, it is in an arrangement with creditors, its business activities are suspended or it is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure; 		
(b) it has been established by a final judgement or a final administrative decision that the Organisation is in breach of its obligations relating to the payment of taxes or social security contributions in accordance with the applicable law;		
(c) it has been established by a final judgement or a final administrative decision that the Organisation is guilty of grave professional misconduct by having violated applicable laws or regulations or ethical standards of the profession to which the Organisation belongs, or by having engaged in any wrongful conduct which has an impact on its professional credibity where such conduct denotes wrongful intent or gross negligence, including, in particular, any of the following:		
(i) fraudulently or negligently misrepresenting information required for the verification of the absence of grounds for exclusion or the fulfilment of eligibility or selection criteria or in the performance of a contract or an agreement;		
(ii) entering into agreement with other parties with the aim of distorting competition;		
(iii) violating intellectual property rights;		
(iv) attempting to influence the decision-making process of the contracting authority during the award procedure;		
(v) attempting to obtain confidential information that may confer upon it undue advantages in the award procedure;		



(d) it has been established by a final judgement that the Organisation is guilty of	
any of the following:	
(i) fraud, as defined in applicable laws and regulations;	
(ii) corruption, as defined in applicable laws and regulations;	
(iii) conduct related to a criminal organisation;	
(iv) money laundering or terrorist financing, as defined in applicable laws and	
regulations;	
(v) terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities, or inciting, aiding,	
abetting or attempting to commit such offences;	
(vi) child labour or other offences concerning trafficking in human beings as	
defined in applicable laws and regulations;	
(e) it has been established by a final judgment or final administrative decision that	
the Organisation has created an entity under a different jurisdiction with the	
intent to circumvent fiscal, social or any other legal obligations in the	
jurisdiction of its registered office, central administration or principal place of	
business.	

II – Situations of exclusion concerning natural or legal person with power of representation, decision-making or control over the legal Organisation and beneficial owners

(2) declares that a natural or legal person who is a member of the administrative, management or supervisory body of the Organisation, or who has powers of representation, decision or control with regard to the above-mentioned Organisation (this covers e.g. company directors, members of management or supervisory bodies, and cases where one natural or legal person holds a majority of shares) is in one of the following situations:	YES	NO	N/A
Situation (c) above (grave professional misconduct)			
Situation (d) above (fraud, corruption or other criminal offence)			
Situation (e) above (creation of an entity with the intent to circumvent legal obligations)			

III – Remedial measures

If the Organisation declares one of the situations of exclusion listed above, it must indicate measures it has taken to remedy the exclusion situation, thus demonstrating its reliability. This may include e.g. technical, organisational and personnel measures to prevent further occurrence, compensation of damage or payment of fines or of any taxes or social security contributions. The relevant documentary evidence which illustrates the remedial measures taken must be provided in annex to this declaration. This does not apply for situations referred in point (d) of this declaration.

IV – Evidence upon request



Upon request the Organisation must provide information on natural or legal persons that are members of the administrative, management or supervisory body or that have powers of representation, decision or control, including legal and natural persons within the ownership and control structure and beneficial owners. It must also upon request provide production of recent certificates issued by the competent authorities and/or a recent extract from the judicial record or, failing that, an equivalent document recently issued by a judicial or administrative authority in the country of establishment of the Organisation showing that those requirements are satisfied. These documents must provide evidence covering all taxes and social security contributions for which the Organisation is liable, including for example, VAT, income/company tax and social security contributions.

V – Selection criteria

(3) declares that the above-mentioned Organisation complies with the	YES	NO	N/A
following selection criteria			
(a) It has the legal and regulatory capacity to pursue the professional			
activity needed for performing the Services			
(b) It fulfils the applicable technical and professional criteria necessary			
for providing the Services.			

VI – FINAL

The signatory declares that the above-mentioned Organisation has truthfully provided the information herein.

The above-mentioned Organisation shall immediately inform the contracting authority of any changes in the situations as declared.

The above-mentioned Organisation may be subject to rejection from the contracting or selection procedure and to legal claims if any of the declarations or information provided as a condition for contracting with Aroha/FFC prove to be false.

Full Name of Authorized Representative or Expert:

Date:

Signature: