1.0 BACKGROUND

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report Global Warming of 1.5°C concludes that staying well below 2°C is still within reach, but time is running out yet deep emission reductions are needed in the coming decades. However, while initial country climate action plans also known as Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) represent country efforts to limit greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, they are insufficient to keep emissions in check. Therefore, it is crucial for countries to move from these initial NDCs to a more ambitious series of pledges through enhancing and raising ambition so that deep emission reductions are made and to keep the world on track to stay well below 2°C.

2.0 INTRODUCTION

In 2015, Uganda submitted her Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDC) with a target to reduce 22% national greenhouse gas emissions in 2030 compared to business-as-usual (BAU) and graduated it to NDC on ratification of the Paris Agreement in September 2016. Pursuant to Article 4 of the Paris Agreement, each Party is required to communicate a NDC every five years in accordance with decision 1/CP21 and any relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to this Agreement (CMA).

The Paris Agreement requests Parties whose INDC pursuant to decision 1/CP.20 containing a time frame up to 2030 to communicate or update by 2020 these contributions and to do so every five years thereafter pursuant to Article 4, paragraph 9, of the Agreement. In responding to this request, Government of Uganda through the Ministry of Water and Environment/Climate Change Department (MWE/CCD) has initiated the process for enhancing the current NDC to be submitted to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). Additionally, the Paris Agreement mandates Parties to provide information necessary for clarity, transparency and understanding and guides that each Party’s successive NDC should represent a progression beyond the current contribution and reflect its highest possible ambition.

In contributing to the process to communicate or update Uganda’s current NDC, Environmental Management for Livelihood Improvement Bwaise Facility (EMLI) in collaboration with World Wide Fund for Nature Uganda Country Office (WWF UCO) intends to develop a technical note to inform the integration of natural climate solutions in the next round of Uganda’s NDC.

The technical note will be composed based on 4 dimensions proposed by EMLI – Governance and institutional framework; Ambition; Targets and Indicators; Means of Implementation. It is envisaged that the process to develop the technical note will enhance knowledge and technical know-how among civil society actors and inform the government led process of enhancing the current NDC.
The development of the technical note is made possible with financial support from Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD) and the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) through the Africa Adaptation Initiative project.

3.0 PURPOSE OF THE CONSULTANCY

The overall objective of the assignment is to develop a technical note to advance the NDC enhancement Process in Uganda.

Specifically, the consultant will:

i. Analyze the existing NDC for Uganda and conduct a situational and gap analysis
ii. Using the 4 dimensions proposed by EMLI, identify elements to constitute the next round of Uganda’s NDC
iii. Make case for nature based solutions in the NDC enhancement process
iv. Identify and analyze synergies, trade-offs, and opportunities with the NDC enhancement process
v. Compile and compare experiences from elsewhere to identify lessons and good practices.

4.0 OUTPUTS

i. A rapid desk-review of current NDC
ii. Case for natural climate solutions in Uganda in context of ambition, sector reference and long-term effects
iii. A well referenced technical note (not more than 40 pages) using the APA style and brief (not more than 4 pages)
iv. A power point presentation (not more than 15 slides) summarising the note

5.0 DURATION AND FEES

The consultancy will cover a period of 30 days spread over 2 months from the time of contract award and signature. The costs of the consultancy shall be agreed on.

6.0 REPORTING

The resource person/expert will primarily report to the EMLI Executive Director. In undertaking this exercise, the resource person/expert will be expected to liaise frequently with the Programme Officer – Environmental Governance & Climate Change.

7.0 COPYRIGHT

All materials / documents arising out of this consultancy work shall remain the property of EMLI and WWF UCO.

8.0 REQUIRED EXPERIENCE AND KNOWLEDGE

The consultant should have a minimum of a bachelor’s university degree in Natural sciences, Agriculture, Environment and natural resources, Economics, Physics or any other closely related field and at least 5
years of research and consultancy in environment, natural resources and climate change with knowledge of NDCs.

9.0 HOW TO APPLY:
Interested persons should submit the following documentation.

- Signed letter of expression of interest and availability;
- Personal CV not exceeding four (4) pages indicating past experience of similar assignments and 3 professional referees with valid contact addresses.
- Financial proposal for undertaking the assignment (lumpsum or daily-rate)

EMLI is committed to paper smart policy and accepts ONLY email application. Application must be submitted to emli.uganda@gmail.com and with subject line “EMLI/WWF Technical Note_ NDC Enhancement 2020. Only successful applicants will be contacted.

Applications should be submitted not later than 6 July 2020 before 5pm and expect to commence work by 13 July 2020.

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