SADC/GIZ Project Climate Resilience & NRM Programme (2021-23)

Call for Concepts

for

Cross-Border TFCA Projects

The German Development Cooperation (GDC) provides support to SADC Secretariat and SADC Member States to implement the regional programme "Climate Resilience and NRM in the SADC Region". The Project is implemented jointly by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and the SADC Secretariat. In this context, the Project makes available funds for the development of projects in SADC TECAs in the area of

- Building More Resilient Communities in and around TFCAs,
- Cross-Border Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation,
- Strengthening Cross-Border Collaboration and Regional Integration in TFCAs

Please read these terms of reference very carefully and write concepts in accordance with them.

Organisations in SADC TFCAs are invited to submit project concepts on the above-mentioned topics, which may include any of the following topics: alternative livelihoods, climate smart agriculture, aquaculture, fisheries, forestry (e.g. REDD), rangeland management, and ecosystem-based adaptation/ nature-based solutions. SADC/GIZ welcomes project concepts based on existing (cross-border) initiatives and projects who see a potential for an add-on component or scaling-up of a proven methodology. The applicant shall further demonstrate a strong cross-border collaboration focus for the project. Women and youth from the local communities should be given an opportunity to participate in the project.

TFCAs that have not benefitted from the previous calls for projects will have preference for financing.

The total budget allocated for this activity is €500.000. GIZ/SADC is looking for 2-3 high-performing projects with a budget between €100.000 to €250.000 each. Project ideas can be jointly developed between implementing partner(s) and the respective TFCA structures. The lead applicant will submit a letter of support from the TFCA structure. Please note, that project ideas for the Kavango Zambezi TFCA cannot be funded under this call.

All international, regional or national organisation that have offices within at least one SADC member state, operate/implement in at least two SADC members states and that have non-for-profit and public benefit status are eligible to apply under this call for concepts. The creation of a consortium with one lead partner is possible. The applicant must be a legal person. The finance system must comply to GIZ quality standards, i.e. the shortlisted applicant must pass a commercial viability check in order to receive funding.

Concepts shall use the template provided together with the present ToRs and Excel Budget template and should not exceed 4 pages. Proposals shall only be eligible if not signed by the legally responsible representatives of the applying organization.

All documents must be submitted by 10 August 2020 (midnight). The documents will be assessed by an evaluation committee consisting of members of the Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources (FANR) Directorate of the SADC Secretariat and GIZ.

Selected projects concepts will receive additional <u>technical</u> assistance by the SADC/GIZ Programme to develop the detailed final project proposal, e.g. during a site visit to the proposed project. Funded projects will be implemented between January 2021 and December 2022. Each project shall not last longer than 18 months. The financing agreement (contract) will be signed between the lead project implementer and GIZ. Funds will be disbursed in phases depending on the progress of the project.

The following criteria shall be used for the selection of proposals:

		Points
1.	Appropriateness of technical concept and suggested work plan	
	- Problem Analysis	5
	- Approach & Value Proposition	10
	- Objectives are relevant, feasible and favor communities	20

	- Project Design and Methodology are sound and participatory	10
	- Target group analysis under specific consideration to include women and youth	5
2.	Technical and administrative capacities for implementing cross-border TFCA projects	30
3.	Financial Proposal, incl. minimum of 10% co-funding	20

Applications are to be sent by email (as WORD document and scanned pdf file with signatures) to dieter.nill@giz.de and eunice.motswaledi@giz.de by 10 August 2020 (midnight).

Concepts not complying with the standards of the template will not be considered.