Terms of Reference
REDD+ spatial economic analysis tool for Cambodia (research assistance)

Level	1 National Consultant (Individual Contract)
Practice Area:	Rural development, cost-benefit analysis, REDD+ (Forests and Climate Change)
Duration:	15 days
Duty Station:	Phnom Penh
Supervisor:	Technical Specialist, Programme Coordinator and REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat
Activity:	2.2

1. Project Description

The Cancun Agreements issued at the Conference of Parties (COP) 16 held in Mexico in 2010 provide strong support for policy approaches that deliver positive incentives for countries and their actors to engage in REDD+ (reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation in developing countries; and the role of conservation, sustainable management of forests and enhancement of forest carbon stocks in developing countries).

A general aim in most countries is to improve overall economic prosperity and social well-being of the populace. For such improvements to be lasting they need to be ecologically sustainable, since well-functioning ecosystems underpin many basic processes upon which we rely, to various extents, for our survival. Therefore, most countries want to protect their forests, but they wish to do so in a way that provides financial returns, creates jobs, and brings social benefits. A case for the value of REDD+ still has to be made despite its potential to deliver on all of these objectives, and this value is likely to be location specific, i.e. make economic sense in some locations rather than others.

REDD+ has a clear role in the evolution towards a Green Economy, and, as such, implementing countries will aim to maximize the financial gains to the economy whilst also securing additional bio-physically-derived socio-economic benefits (i.e. forest ecosystem services that underpin the livelihoods and well-being of both the local and national population). In order to facilitate this process a useful REDD+ decision-support tool is one that helps prioritize which land areas might be included in REDD+ based on the resulting overall financial gain (and wider socio-economic gain). A national consultant is required to work with UNEP-WCMC in order to deliver this tool.

2. Scope of Work
1. UNEP-WCMC will develop a REDD+ spatial (GIS) economic analysis tool for Cambodia and provide training on its use to inform decision-making. The national consultant is required to help collect relevant data in the field with the following specific activities.
    a. Develop plan for data collection that minimises time spent travelling to locations. The data required is to be specified by UNEP-WCMC at this time, but will consist of economic data in relation to potential REDD+ costs.
    b. Undertake collection of data in two identified khaet (most likely Koh Kong and Pursat). Data collection may involve visiting local markets and talking to businesses, local officials, land users, and others.

The consultant is expected to work in coordination with UNEP-WCMC as well as national partners.

3. Expected Outputs and Deliverables

	Expected delivery/outputs	Estimated duration to complete	Target due days
1	Develop a work plan	0.5 days	1 July
2	Collect required relevant data in the field, and provide it in an agreed format (includes travel time)	14.5 days	Between 1 July and 31 October
	Total	15 days	

4. Duty Station
The duty station for this assignment is Phnom Penh, Cambodia, however, data collection will be undertaken in two khaet (most likely Koh Kong and Pursat). During the assignment the consultant is expected to be in Cambodia for all consultations.

5. Duration of the Work
The duration of the work is a total of 15 days from 20 June to 31 October, 2014.

6. Institutional Arrangement
The national consultant will report to the UN-REDD National Programme Director and on day-to-day basis work will be overseen by UNEP-WCMC and the REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat. The consultant will be accountable for the timely and quality output, and report as required to UNEP-WCMC and to the REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat on progress compared to the work plan.

7. Payment milestones
Consultant will be paid on a lump sum basis under the following installments
- (30 %) 1st payment, upon completion of a satisfactory delivery of a work plan (see No 1 in Table 1)
- (70 %) 2nd payment, upon satisfactory collection of field data (see No2 in Table 2)

8. Competence Requirements
The National Consultant shall meet the following criteria:

Education:	• A minimum of a Master's or equivalent degree in rural development, natural resource management, rural/environmental economics, or a related field;
Experience:	• A minimum of 2 years of relevant experience (e.g. rural development or related area) • Some previous experience of undertaking collection of data in the field, such as completing survey forms or interviewing techniques; • Previous experience of travel to rural areas in the west of Cambodia.
Competencies:	• Ability to use spreadsheets to organize data; • Good interpersonal skills and ability to work well in a team as well as independently • Good analytical, writing and communication skills both in English and Khmer, including the ability to articulate ideas in a clear and concise manner;

9. Criteria for Evaluation of Level of Technical Compliance of Individual Contractor

Evaluation criteria	Obtainable score
Education	30 points

Experiences	50 points
Competences and other qualifications	20 points
Total	**100 points**

10. Application

Applicants are requested to send CV, together with a letter of interest to REDD+ Taskforce Secretariat by either mail (N. 40, PreahNorodom Blvd. SangkatPhsarKandal 2, Khan Daun Penh, Cambodia) or e-mail (redd.secretariat@cambodia-redd.org).

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