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## **Consultant for UN-REDD (Policy Advisor)**

The UNDP Sub-Office in Honiara, Solomon Islands seeks to recruit a suitably qualified **International Consultant (Policy Advisor)** under the **UN-REDD (Programme on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation)** programme. The International Consultant will support the implementation of the Initial National Programme (INP) by working closely with the National Programme Director, REDD+ focal points from the Ministry of Environment, Climate Change, Disaster Management and Meteorology (MECDM) and the Ministry of Forestry and Research (MFR) to support Readiness capacity development and delivery of the INP outcomes. The Policy Advisor is expected to work as part of the Programme Management Unit (PMU) and closely with local partners and stakeholders to provide a range of services including policy and research advisory, technical support to the INP implementation, partnership development and monitoring and evaluations.

### **About the Project:**

The UN-REDD Programme is the United Nations collaborative initiative on Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+) in developing countries. The Programme was launched in 2008 and builds on the convening role and technical expertise of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

The Solomon Islands joined the UN-REDD Programme in February 2010, and the Initial National Programme Document (INPD) was signed in May 2011. The Initial National Programme (INP) is designed to support broad-based, multi-stakeholder consultation and engagement, analysis of drivers of deforestation and forest degradation and capacity development for national forest monitoring and measurement, reporting and verification (MRV). The INP intends to work closely with a regional REDD+ support programme, implemented by the Secretariat of Pacific Community (SPC) and the German Agency for International Cooperation (GIZ) and other key partners including the Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA).

### **Scope of Work:**

Key Functions/Results Expected:

1. Programme implementation support and quality assurance
2. Policy advice to national partners
3. Capacity assessment and training
4. Programme planning, management, monitoring and evaluation
5. Programme coordination and contributions to regional efforts

For more details regarding this assignment, please contact the UNDP Sub-Office in Honiara, Solomon Islands for a copy of the Terms of Reference using the contact details provided below.

**Minimum Qualifications and Experience:**

**International Consultant (Policy Advisor)**

- Post graduate degree in Forest Science, Natural Resource Management, Environmental Law, Geography, or other related field;
- At least 7 years of working experience on forest governance and natural resources management;
- Excellent knowledge of REDD+, in particular, in areas concerning stakeholder engagement, governance, safeguards, monitoring, etc.;
- Experience in working with international development partners, especially with UN Agencies;
- Previous work experience in the Solomon Islands or the Pacific is an asset;
- Experience on gender mainstreaming in policies and programmes is an asset;
- Proficiency in both spoken and written English; and
- Strong inter-personal skills, in particular, demonstrated team leadership qualities, and excellent oral communication skills.

**Contract Duration:** 100 days over a period of one year

**Contract Type:** Individual Contract

**General Terms and Conditions of Employment:**

The Individual Consultant is not entitled to any benefit, payment, subsidy, compensation or entitlement, except as expressly provided by the consultant contract.

**Due Date of Submissions:** All applications must be submitted by **2.00pm, 9 July, 2012** either electronically to [pamela.kama@undp.org](mailto:pamela.kama@undp.org) or addressed under confidential cover to

**UN-REDD Policy Advisor**

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Incomplete applications will not be considered and **only candidates for whom there is further interest will be contacted.** Additional information including the Post Profile, Results-Oriented Curriculum vitae format and P-11 form is available from the UNDP website: [www.undp.org.fj](http://www.undp.org.fj) or the UNDP Office, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, City Centre Building, Point Cruz, Honiara.

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