

# Request for Proposals (RfP) GIS Consultant to support ROAM assessment in Serbia

### IUCN Regional Office for Eastern Europe and Central Asia ADAPT: Nature-based solutions for resilient communities in the Western Balkans

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## PART 1 – INSTRUCTIONS TO PROPOSERS AND PROPOSAL CONDITIONS

### 1.1. About IUCN

IUCN is a membership Union uniquely composed of both government and civil society organisations. It provides public, private and non-governmental organisations with the knowledge and tools that enable human progress, economic development and nature conservation to take place together.

Headquartered in Switzerland, IUCN Secretariat comprises around 950 staff in more than 50 countries.

Created in 1948, IUCN is now the world's largest and most diverse environmental network, harnessing the knowledge, resources and reach of more than 1,300 Member organisations and some 15,000 experts. It is a leading provider of conservation data, assessments and analysis. Its broad membership enables IUCN to fill the role of incubator and trusted repository of best practices, tools and international standards.

IUCN provides a neutral space in which diverse stakeholders including governments, NGOs, scientists, businesses, local communities, indigenous peoples organisations and others can work together to forge and implement solutions to environmental challenges and achieve sustainable development.

### 1.3. The procurement process

The following key dates apply to this RfP:

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7 April 2021

### 1.10. Validity of Proposals

Proposals submitted in response to this RfP are to remain valid for a period of 90 calendar days from the RfP closing date.

#### 1.11. Evaluation of Proposals

The evaluation of Proposals shall be carried out exclusively with regards to the evaluation criteria and their relative weights specified in part 3 of this RfP.

#### PART 2 – THE REQUIREMENT

#### **Background information**

Climate change is increasing the frequency, intensity and magnitude of disasters, leading to a higher number of casualties as well as property and economic losses. Nature can provide cost-effective, no-regret solutions, which help increase community resilience beyond their capacity to absorb and recover from a single disaster, such as a flood or drought. The Western Balkan economies are among the most vulnerable with respect to climate change impacts affecting numerous sectors and domains. Yet, the value derived from employing Nature-based Solutions in response to societal challenges remains underexplored and the application of approaches that integrate natural infrastructure remain insufficient and fragmented. Beyond the positive impact on societies and improved management of disaster risks, Nature-based Solutions benefi-

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**Methodology:** The Restoration Opportunities Assessment Methodology (ROAM), provides a flexible framework and approach for countries to identify and assess forest landscape restoration (FLR) opportunities, and identify highest value and priority interventions at national or sub-national levels. The methodology will assist the decision-makers, including local land management actors in understanding where restoration can be beneficial for mitigating flooding and landslides, which nature-based solutions are politically, socially, economically and ecologically feasible and desirable at the priority sites. Important components of the ROAM are the crosssectoral stakeholder engagement, gender mainstreaming, inclusive governance and identification and development of financial and social incentives for implementation. The assessment methodology combines geospatial analysis and biological and economic modelling within a framework that assesses the social, political, and institutional readiness to implement restoration.

Read more about the guidelines and tools used during application of ROAM:

- 1. Download the road-test handbook on ROAM A guide to the Restoration Opportunities Assessment Methodology - <u>https://portals.iucn.org/library/node/44852</u>
- See the animations of each phase as quick visual introductions (ROAM) -<u>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLE\_scKstDhz4N7dUVUR7EmYHyUdBJ9QXG</u>
- 3. Gender-responsive restoration guidelines https://portals.iucn.org/library/node/46693
- Biodiversity guidelines for forest landscape restoration opportunities assessments -<u>https://portals.iucn.org/library/node/47713</u>
- 5. A Cost-Benefit Framework for Analyzing Forest Landscape Restoration Decisions https://portals.iucn.org/library/sites/library/files/documents/2015-018.pdf
- 6. The Restoration Diagnostic https://www.wri.org/sites/default/files/WRI\_Restoration\_Diagnostic\_0.pdf
- Restoration Opportunities Optimization Tool (ROOT). <u>https://naturalcapitalproject.stanford.edu/software/root</u>
- 8. Examples of ROAMs- https://infoflr.org/news-media/clear-roadmaps-land-

### PART 3 – THE EVALUATION MODEL

The selection criteria will consist of a technical and financial component. A weighting will be provided to each component as follows: Technical Weighting Factor 85%, Financial Weighting Factor 15%, with the total score a combination of these two percentages.

### PART 4 –

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5.4 Funds that remain unused at the Expiration Date or termination date of this Agreement must be returned to IUCN within sixty (60) days following either of such dates, as applicable.

#### 6. TRAVEL EXPENSES

6.1 Travel expenses in connection with this Agreement shall not exceed [currency/amount in numbers] [(currency and amount in words)]. All travel has to be approved by the Contact before any reservation is made.

6.2 The IUCN Travel Policy (April 2019) shall apply to all travel expenses and is available at <u>https://www.iucn.org/corporate/finance/procurement/iucn-travel-policy</u>.

6.3 A financial report with receipts (e.g. transportation, accommodation, meals and incidentals) mus 34 >>BDC -0

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8.3 The Consultant agrees to immediately notify IUCN in writing if he/she becomes aware of any disclosure in breach of the obligations of this clause 8. At the request of IUCN, the Consultant will take all steps necessary to prevent further disclosure.

#### 9. PROPERTY OF RESULTS

All notes, memoranda, correspondence, records, documents and other tangible items made by the Consultant in the course of providing the Services will be and remain at all times the property of IUCN. At any time, even after the termination of this Agreement, the Consultant shall, upon request, promptly deliver to IUCN all such tangible items which are in his/her possession or under his/her control and relate to IUCN, its business affairs and clients and/or the Services and he/she may not make or retain copies.

#### **10. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

10.1 Intellectual Property rights are any and all rights and prerogatives, registered or not, arising from the Swiss and intern1.157512.2(ht1.9(or)-6.4(notoO-9(bl)3.1(e)-12.2(gi)3.2(s)-20 Tc 0 T6.1()-12.3(of8(notoO-8c(i)145 Td [(.1()-12[a) - 12.2(gi)3.2(s)-20 Tc 0 T6.1()-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-20 Tc 0 T6.1()-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-20 Tc 0 T6.1(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-20 Tc 0 T6.1(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)3.2(s)-12.3(gi)

#### **13 FRAUD, CORRUPTION AND ETHICS**

13.1 The Consultant shall comply with the terms of the IUCN's Code of Conduct and Professional Ethics for the Secretariat, available at http://cmsdata.iucn.org/downloads/code\_of\_conduct\_and\_professional\_ethics.pdf, which by signing this Agreement, the Consultant confirms he/she has reviewed and accepted.

#### 15 APPLICABLE LAW AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

15.1 The performance and interpretation of this Agreement will be subject exclusively to the laws of Switzerland, excluding its conflict of laws principles.1N11perRC(14-90esot)5r5-utawprnc