

Terms of Reference

Individual Consultancy Assignment to Participate in Preparation of Sustainable Rangeland Management Toolbox

Position: Consultant – Toolbox on Sustainable Rangeland Management
Duty station: Jordan
Contract type: Individual contract

Duration: 1 month

BACKGROUND

Degradation of rangeland ecosystem and the consequent decreasing productivity of pastures are one of the main pressing environmental issues in the West Asia- North Africa region, where pastoralism plays a key role in preserving vulnerable livelihoods.

Sustainable rangeland management (SRM) requires innovative solutions both to manage the high levels of climatic risk that are experienced there and to address the many other unique features of dryland ecology. SRM should also take into account challenges related to knowledge gaps; abandonment of customary practices and governance systems in modern policies and marginalization of local communities.

IUCN is partnering with ICARDA to promote good practices and informed decision making in SRM, by support rangeland managers to develop appropriate context specific rangeland restoration/ management plan. The result of this research will be published as a toolbox for easy reference of rangeland management authorities, donor, and relevant national and international organizations.

TASKS AND SCOPE OF THE WORK

The main purpose of this assignment is to increase support for sustainable rangeland management, by providing compilation and publication of validated good practices in the restoration and protection of communal rangelands in the Arab region and globally.

The Consultant will assist a team of experts in preparation of a toolbox on sustainable rangeland management (SRM) practices. The following is a non-exhaustive list of the activities that should be covered under this assignment:

- Review various sections of the toolbox which includes a number of SRM practices
- Develop two sections of SRM practices, one of which is proper grazing management.
- Participate actively in an expert validation meeting
- Contribute to developing the toolbox for SRM practices
- Develop case studies (how everything fits together)

DELIVERABLES' SCHEDULE:

The following is an indicative schedule for expected output of this consultancy

- Meet with representatives from IUCN and ICARDA to agree on the methodology (March 04, 2019)
- Revise three completed sections for SRM practices of the tool box: March 15, 2019
- Write first draft of two sections of the toolbox including one SRM on proper grazing management: March 25, 2019.
- Contribute actively to the development of the toolbox outputs (integrated SRM practices and related case studies) during the expert validation meeting: Expected date 16-18 April
- Draft case studies: May 01, 2019
- Contribute to preparation of the final toolbox: May 15, 2019

TIMELINE:

It is expected that this assignment is finalized not later than May 30, 2019.

CONSULTANT PROFILE:

The consultant should provide evidence of well-established experience in similar work in Jordan or the region.

Bidding Information:

IUCN is seeking to contract a consultancy firm or an individual to conduct this assignment. The bidder must submit:

1. Narrative Proposal
2. Financial Proposal
3. Company profile / CV for individual

Offers will be evaluated based on the following:

Narrative Proposal	35%
Company profile / CV for individual	35%
Financial Proposal	30%

HOW TO APPLY

Interested candidates should provide technical and financial proposals. The technical proposal should include the methodology and evidence of qualification. Proposals should be sent to samar.taha@iucn.org, not later than noon 12 pm Tuesday, February 24, 2019. ONLY shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews.