



# NOTICE OF CALL FOR TENDER

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## Terms of Reference for National Policy Review on Drought and Drought Management in Kenya

Project Title: Restoring Ecosystems to Reduce Drought Risk and Increase Resilience

### Background:

The frequency of drought is reported to be increasing worldwide, costing US\$35 billion per year, with 83% of these losses in the agriculture sector and disproportionately affecting the poorest people. This increase is widely attributed to climate change, yet evidence suggests land degradation is also a significant factor. Land degradation is the outcome of human management practices and can be addressed through restoration and sustainable land management, which are widely known and established. It follows that restoration actions could reduce the frequency and severity of drought incidence, which we refer to as drought mitigation. This is additional to the effect of restoration actions in reducing vulnerability to drought.

In Kenya, the terms of reference for this assignment is developed in accordance with the national and county policies including the Constitution of the Republic of Kenya (2010), Kenya's Vision 2030 and specifically the big 4 agenda, the 2018 to 2022 Strategic Plan of the National Drought Management Authority (NDMA) and the Common Programme Framework 1 for Ending Drought Emergencies (EDE) Initiative. In Kenya, NDMA has the mandate to exercise overall coordination concerning all matters related to drought risk management and to establish mechanisms, either on its own or with stakeholders that will end drought emergencies in Kenya. The Government of Kenya has made a commitment to end suffering caused by drought by 2022. The actions needed to achieve this are set out in the Drought Risk Management and Ending Drought Emergencies Medium Term Plan (MTP) for 2013-17, which is part of the Kenya Vision 2030 MTP2.

### Purpose of the Assignment:

This consultancy will deliver a Country Policy Review on Drought and Drought Management in Kenya in order to inform national policy dialogues on drought remediation and drought management through providing a review of drought policies, legislation and other institutions at national and local level, an overview of the state of implementation, and identification of relevant stakeholder groups. These policy reviews are designed to support national partners

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.ndma.go.ke/index.php/resource-center/send/43-ending-drought-emergencies/4251-common-programme-framework>

to identify barriers and opportunities for integrating restoration actions into drought management plans.

The Country Policy Review in Kenya will be held as part of the Austrian Development Agency (ADA)-funded IUCN global project: Restoring Ecosystems to Reduce Drought Risk and Increase Resilience and will complement the global drought study conducted by International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA). The Country Policy Review in Kenya will be used to provide local context for national dialogues and help to demonstrate the relevance of the IIASA global review.

Please note that the following terms are not commonly used or agreed. Therefore, the aim of the project is to clarify these concepts, and the Country Policy Review will work with loose definitions, and will contribute to strengthening the definitions:

- Anthropogenic drought: drought (or a contribution to drought) that is not a natural event, for example the outcome of water loss due to runoff in a degraded landscape.
- Drought remediation: actions to address anthropogenic drought factors, mitigating the frequency or the severity of drought.

### Specific outputs:

1. Describe the national policy context in relation to drought history and responses, including the history of responses from key stakeholders (e.g. water, agriculture, health, and industry) and humanitarian interventions.
2. Provide an overview of policies, legislation, mechanisms and processes related to drought management in relevant sectors and their status of implementation.
3. Provide brief details of relevant land/ecosystem restoration policies and identify any explicit mention of the relationship with drought management.
4. Evaluate policy convergence or conflict around land restoration actions that contribute to drought remediation and opportunities/entry points for creating such convergence.
5. Provide recommendations for integrating restoration actions into policy and legislation.
6. Identify key stakeholder groups for policy influence, policy reform processes, and relevant levers for national action.

### Deliverables:

- Inception report that provides an interpretation of the assignment, outline the methodology and resources for conducting the study, and outline of the final report.
- Draft report addressing all elements outlined above.
- Final report incorporating feedback from IUCN and IIASA.

### Required approach:

The consultancy will take place in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of 2021. The contract that will be offered will last two months with approximately 20 man-days (full time equivalent). The consultancy will be carried out in accordance with a clear and precise work schedule proposed by the team of consultants and approved by IUCN.

### Profile of the consultant:

This assignment requires the following expertise and experience:

1. In depth understanding of national policy and legislative processes.
2. Familiarity with ecological restoration science and practice, land and water resources management, and drought cycle management.

3. Strong policy analysis and analytical skills, including capacity to synthesise and simplify academic literature.
4. Excellent writing skills.
5. Experience of this in Kenyan context and familiarity with the key stakeholders in Kenya a strong asset.
6. Fluency in English.

### Composition and Submission of Applications:

Consultants wishing to carry out this evaluation must send by email, no later than **8<sup>th</sup> November 2021 (inclusive) at 23:59 p.m. EAT**, an application consisting of:

- (i) Letter of submission;
- (ii) CV of the consultants (Maximum 4 pages);
- (iii) Technical proposal detailing the proposed methodology, a draft workplan (Justify the number of days required) and the timeline (Maximum not exceeding 5 pages);
- (iv) Financial proposal in a separate file.

Bidders must submit their application by email to: [celestine.chemorkok@iucn.org](mailto:celestine.chemorkok@iucn.org)

The subject of the email should be **"Country Policy Review on Drought and Drought Management in Kenya "**. Electronic copies must be submitted in PDF and native format (for example, MS Word) and bidders can submit multiple emails (suitably annotated - for example, email 1 of 3) if the attached files are deemed too large for a single transmission email. Proposals must be prepared in English.

Applicants should note that there will be a withholding tax deduction of 5% for Kenyan residents and 20% for non-Kenyan consultants.