Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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Expression of Interest (EOI) - Pacific Islands Climate Finance Technical Assistance Facility

1. If we are applying as a firm, does the EOI require that we outline the team composition? If so, do we need to attach CVs or include a brief description of each candidate's experience?

Part 3 (Corporate Capabilities) does not necessarily require an outline of the team, although it would be helpful to include it. If you would like to include the composition of the local team, then including name and job title will suffice.

2. Regarding part 2 of the EOI, *Understanding of Adaptation Projects, Businesses, and Other Functions in Fiji/PNG*, are we required to identify an even split of entities between Fiji and PNG (i.e., 2 for Fiji and 2 for PNG)?

An even split of entities in Fiji and Papua New Guinea would be helpful, but this is not a requirement.

3. For the projects, businesses, and funders that we identity, does the EOI require that we provide a full breakdown of those identified or can a high-level summary suffice?

Respondents should only submit 4-6 slides. Please use your discretion in determining what information about the projects, businesses, or funders is most relevant to the statement of objectives included in the EOI.

4. Will the EOI be voided if the number of pages exceed 6 slides?

Submissions should not exceed 6 slides.

5. Is there a list of financial products and vehicles that CFDA and USAID are considering?

No specific financial products are being considered currently as priorities. However, respondents are welcome to propose climate finance products or vehicles they think are most relevant/impactful for Fiji and Papua New Guinea.

6. The document states, "Companies or organizations must be eligible to operate in Fiji or Papua New Guinea (PNG) at the time an agreement is executed." Can you clarify how this impacts submissions from non-local/international organizations?

Locally registered entities will be given preference when determining who CFDA will partner with under a future solicitation. That is not to say that foreign entities will not be eligible for awards under a future solicitation. The EOI should reflect prior experience working in either

Fiji or Papua New Guinea. When applicable, respondents should be able to ensure that staff traveling to either Fiji and/or Papua Guinea will be able to acquire any required permits/visas to conduct work in Fiji and/or Papua New Guinea. The opportunity to work in either or both countries will be determined on an as-needed basis.

7. Does the lead bidder need to be a registered member of the CFIN or sign up before submitting an EOI?

We welcome local firms responding to the EOI to register for the Climate Finance Investment Network (CFIN). CFIN membership does not impact their eligibility to submit an EOI. We encourage all respondents to join the CFIN to receive learning and partnership opportunities including solicitations, amendments, answers to questions, etc.