



TERMS OF REFERENCE (TORS) TO UNDERTAKE A STUDY ON INTEGRATING AGROECOLOGY WITHIN THE NDCS AND NAPS IN AFRICA

Introduction

The Alliance for Food Sovereignty in Africa (AFSA), www.afsafrica.org, is a broad alliance of Civil Society actors who are part of Africa's struggle for food sovereignty. These include African food producer networks, CSO networks, Indigenous people's organisations, Faith-Based Organisations, women and youth groups, consumer movements, and international organizations that take the AFSA stance.

AFSA is currently running a campaign on Agroecology for Climate Action, which involves advocacy for including agroecology in climate policies, frameworks, and strategies at different levels. Agroecology is increasingly recognized as a holistic approach that can address the interconnected challenges of climate change, biodiversity loss, and food security.

As African countries strive to meet their climate goals under the Paris Agreement, it is crucial that agroecology is integrated into National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) and Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs). This presents a significant opportunity to strengthen climate resilience and promote sustainable development.

Given the urgent need for effective climate action, AFSA is embarking on a study to provide compelling evidence on why agroecology should be prioritized within these critical climate policy frameworks.

Main Objective

The main objective of this study is to assess and demonstrate the immense potential of agroecology as a climate solution, advocating for its integration into the NAPs and NDCs of African countries.

Specific objectives

- The study will gather evidence on the potential impact of agroecology practices on climate change adaptation and mitigation efforts in Africa, underscoring the significance of these findings.
- The study will analyze the current level of agroecology appreciation and integration in climate policy spaces at different levels.
- The study will develop policy recommendations for adopting agroecology in NAPs and NDCs.

Geographic Scope

The study will be conducted at the African level.

Tendering procedure

Eligible consultants are invited to submit their Proposal(s) to undertake this study by **13th September 2024** by email to afsa@afsafrica.org. The email should indicate in the Subject **"Agroecology in NDCs &NAPs Study."**

Proposals should include.

- An official letter from an authorized representative of the firm/individual expressing interest in undertaking the study
- General profile and background of the firm/individual
- Understanding and interpretation of Terms of Reference (TORs)
- Experience of the firm/individual (Capability statement of firm or individuals) evidenced by a signed CV(s).
- A clear methodology to deliver the assignment
- Workplan for conducting the study.
- A detailed budget will be developed based on the scope of work, geographic coverage, and research methodology. The budget should cover all study aspects, including fieldwork, data collection, analysis, report writing, and stakeholder engagement.
- Any other information deemed necessary.

Key Deliverables

- Inception report.
- List of respondents.
- Consolidated report (20-25 pages).
- 15 – 20 minutes PowerPoint presentation summarizing the study
- List of reference materials.
- Policy brief.

Qualification and experience

A competent individual (s) or firm with experience undertaking similar work is encouraged to apply.

Time frame.

The assignment is for **30 days**.

Clarification.

Please direct any questions for clarification to Simon Bukenya at simon.bukenya@afsafrica.org.