



REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, ANIMAL INDUSTRY & FISHERIES (MAAIF)

DEVELOPING A MARKET – ORIENTED AND ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE BEEF MEAT INDUSTRY IN UGANDA (MOBIP) - FED/2015/37994



EUROPEAN UNION

REQUEST FOR CONCEPT NOTES IN RESPONSE TO THE FOLLOWING CALL FOR PROPOSALS (CfP)

The Government of Uganda has received a grant of Euro 15 Million from the European Union towards supporting the development of an environmentally sustainable commercial beef meat value chain. This support is governed by a Financing Agreement signed between the European Commission (EC) and the Government of Uganda represented by Ministry of Finance Planning & Economic Development/ National Authorizing Officer (NAO) which came into effect on 13th January 2017.

The Ministry of Agriculture Animal Industry & Fisheries (MAAIF) is the project's supervisor/implementer. The project is implemented in the cattle corridor of Uganda and in particular, the 29 districts which constitute Disease Control Zones 1 & 2, plus Kampala and Wakiso (the MOBIP target area). MOBIP aims to achieve the following results:

- Result 1.** A sound policy and regulatory framework is developed and effectively enforced;
- Result 2.** Production, productivity and quality assurance of beef cattle and beef meat is enhanced;
- Result 3.** Marketing, transportation and value addition for live animals and beef meat is improved

The CfP is divided into 4 lots and cover activities under Results 2 and 3 of MOBIP:-

Lot 1: Promote animal disease control and prevention in the targeted areas (Grant range: €300,000 to €870,000)
This activity will be achieved through collaboration with the Directorate

of Animal Resources and local governments and private animal health services for vaccination and vector control, renovation and installation of vector control infrastructure, certification and issuance of veterinary health certificates, imposing hygiene measures and protection equipment within the production units and proper disposal of biohazard/chemical waste (syringes, spray and dip chemicals, etc.)

Lot 2: Improve pasture (rangeland) and water management in a climate-smart way (Grant range: €300,000 to €1,360,000)

The proposed actions should improve pasture by involving both small and large scale livestock producers in implementing on best practices (including commercial destocking to reduce overstocking and overgrazing, encourage diversification of economic activities, agro-ecology/conservation agriculture practices, etc.), controlling bush encroachment and promoting tree planting and woodlots as alternative livelihoods in heavily degraded/deforested areas.

The actions under this lot should aim at promoting integrated water management at local level, including contingency planning and management for extreme weather events affecting the availability of water for livestock, protecting watersheds and conserving and storing water through rainwater harvesting.

Lot 3: Promote supplementary feeding (Grant range: €300,000 to €650,000)

The objective of this lot is to reduce greenhouse gas production and enhance livestock growth rates, using residual standing hay, feeding crop residues, and industrial by-products in periods of feed scarcity, and promoting feedlots operation in order to reduce overgrazing.

Involve and train smallholder's groups, with an emphasis on women's groups on silage, hay making, feedlots management through climate smart practices.

Lot 4: Value addition and capacity building (Grant range: €300,000 to €520,000)

The proposed actions shall support urban women's groups in commercialization of value-added beef products according to standards and regulations, and to evolve businesses into meat processing units, through direct support and through linking them to financial institutions.

This CfP is open to all not-for-profit and for-profit entities which are legally registered to operate in Uganda and meet the criteria stipulated in the CfP. Consortia are encouraged. Interested applicants will first need to submit a concept note of their proposal and then, following successful consideration of the concept note, will be invited to submit a full proposal. Key dates are as follows:

- Information meeting – 19th November 2018
- Deadline for submission of Concept Notes – 21st December 2018
- Target date for award of contract – 1st May 2019

The CfP and associated documents can be downloaded from the following websites: www.finance.go.ug, <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prospect/index.htm> - select "External" as ECAS domain and/or: https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi_welcome and www.agriculture.go.ug.