

Questions and Answers:

1. The date for concept notes appears to be the 15th of June but in the second paragraph it states COB 8th June. Could you please confirm which is the closing date for Concept Note delivery?

Answer: The closing date for receiving concept notes is 15th June 2022, the end date for questions is 8th June 2022

2. Can two private companies associate and apply together in a joint venture arrangement?

Answer: Yes, 2 companies can present a joint concept note. However, if it is successful, the grant award will be in the name of one of the companies, not both

3. Is it envisaged that there should be matched funding from the beneficiary to complement the level of financing provided by USAID?

Answer: No, RTI USAID Tuhifadhi Maliasili does not require matching funding

4. Can an organization send more than one Application?

Answer: Yes, an organization can submit more than one concept note

5. Can resources from RTI be used as subsidy to help ease the selling and buying of equipment?

Answer: No, RTI does not support the subsidy to ease the selling and buying of equipment; however, RTI Tuhifadhi Maliasili will be willing to partner with an organization by providing resources/funds to implement the applicant's ideas towards securing and conserving focal areas (corridors) and reducing threats to biodiversity.

6. An organization registered to work all over Tanzania but currently not working in targeted intervention areas or sites as mentioned in the EOI is still eligible for this call?

Answer: An organization is eligible to participate as long as it has demonstrated experience and knowledge to implement the activities proposed in their concept note

7. Thematic areas number :3 Policy, regulatory, and enabling environment for biodiversity conservation and NRM. Does it relate to advocating the improvement of the policy framework related to LUP or just the development of LUP itself in targeted intervention areas?

Answer: This thematic area addresses both improvement of the policy framework related to land use planning and the development of land use plans through innovative approaches to secure connectivity in the targeted areas. Please note that any concept note under this thematic area should have a direct and measurable impact in the targeted areas

8. The EOI mentions that funding advances will not be allowed, that allowable grant expenditures will be reimbursed monthly, based on Grantee's submission of financial reports and original receipts to the USAID Tuhifadhi Maliasili project Grants Team. Is there any room for negotiation regarding this as you all are aware that most NGO depend on funding advance to implement its activities and later reporting on its grant expenditures?

Answer: There are different types of grants, some of which have different terms for funds disbursements. USAID Tuhifadhi Maliasili will consider the organization's cash flow availability when selecting the best type of grant to award

9. If we are in a consortium of two organizations and one of our fellow partner organizations has previously managed USG awards and we attach it as an attachment, will it be considered as an added advantage while Youth Power Organization is the lead partner?

Answer: Having experience managing USG funded awards is an added advantage. Applications will be evaluated according to the criteria mentioned in the EOI