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TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR A SOLICITED WRC PROJECT

KEY STRATEGIC 39: Giyani LSCR Programme

AREA

THRUST Business Development PROGRAMME Capacity Building

TITLE Developing and piloting enterprise development capacity

building for rural community-based water schemes.

Background and Rationale

Climate change has emerged as one of the most challenging issues in the global arena within political, scientific and socio-economic contexts. It brings significant changes that have both direct and indirect development impacts across economic sectors such as water, energy and agriculture. Funded by the Government pf Flanders, the Water Research Commission (WRC) together with partners Tsogang Water and Sanitation (Tsogang), Association for Water and Rural Development (AWARD) and the University of the Western Cape (UWC) are implementing a programme that aims to demonstrate climate adaptive responses and solutions for improved water utilisation in the Giyani Municipal area. Our ambition is to positively impact the lives of 5000 beneficiaries and facilitate the creation of socio-economic opportunities of an estimated 200 beneficiaries from 2022 until 2024.

The Giyani LSCR Programme will focus on improving local scale adaptation and resilience by:

- Work package 1 Strengthening and enabling environment whereby local authorities, institutions, communities, tribal authorities and market players are mobilised to improve climate resilience and water utilisation. This is being led by the WRC and AWARD;
- Work package 2: Improving energy, ground and surface water solutions developed with communities to optimise and diversify water sources by scaling the Multiple Use Water Services (MUS) model, solar energy and operationalising water, energy and food nexus (WEF) opportunities. Tsogang and UWC are the research, design and infrastructure implementation partners.
- Work package 3: Supporting post-project sustainability that enables new models and partnerships for WEF and MUS local economic development community appropriate supply chain strategies and opportunities.

This TOR focuses on developing the learning tools, documenting the approach on rural and social enterprise management to ensure post-project sustainability and creation of a local economy enabled by water provision and climate resilience solutions. This includes technical, financial, business and social skills to operate and sustain livelihoods and enterprises. There are various challenges that the Programme will need to address to develop and transfer knowledge for local economic development (LED).

The water and climate related market enabling component of Work Package 3 requires broad engagement of public, private and civil society stakeholders in the area mandated with Social Investment, LED and Enterprise Development objectives and resources. The Giyani LSCR Programme aims to tap into these networks to support the knowledge generation and transfer opportunities.

The following communities and small-scale farming areas are being targeted by the Programme:

Five (5) Agriculture sites:

- Hlamebeto multipurpose agricultural primary co-operative
- Duvadzi Youth Organic Agriculture co-operative
- Ahi thireni Mceqkwa co-operative
- Matsambo Gamba Project (PTY)LTD
- Macena agricultural primary co-operatives limited.

Four (4) Community Water Supply areas:

- Mbhedle (Population=1230).
- Mayephu (Population=1940).
- Mzilela (Population=1150)
- Matsotsosela (Population=2300).

These communities and farming areas are central beneficiaries and partners for enterprise development, LED, supply chain network and market development that will extend into Giyani. It is therefore important to understand the current Giyani/Mopani context servicing and providing opportunities that can be leveraged through provision of alternate water sources and through sustainable water management practices to these communities and farms. Equally important is working with existing value chains and partners who are active in Limpopo in developing, generating, packaging, supporting and piloting capacity development projects that benefit rural communities towards improved livelihoods.

Overarching Aim:

The overarching aim of the project is to: Develop and pilot rural enterprise capacity development modules that will complement operational training modules for empowering targeted communities and project rural water schemes

Specific Objectives:

- Engage broadly on the key partnerships and networks in Limpopo that could lend value to relevant capacity development and new knowledge generation.
- Identify and formulate appropriate training modules for local economic development and enterprise development linked to community-based water schemes.
- Investigate how training can lend to payment for services and investment in rural community-based water schemes.
- Pilot training modules to finalise a package of learning tools and approaches to be implemented more broadly with sector partners.
- Develop insights and recommendations for the roll-out of similar capacity development programmes in other parts of the water sector in South Africa and it's potential for other African partners/contexts.

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- 1. Provide a report on the key partnerships and networks in Limpopo that could lend value to relevant capacity development and new knowledge generation for the project. This includes databases of accredited providers e.g., agricultural services training.
- 2. Develop a pilot programme and schedule for training development, knowledge transfer, and pilot implementation for the benefit of the Giyani LSCRP to target 220 beneficiaries to do training, workshops and manuals develops.
- 3. Utilising WRC developed guidelines where applicable, convert, translate and develop training manuals/modules for enterprise development, and rural transformation for current and aspiring enterprises. This includes guides and training for sustainable agriculture and climate change services, that can be accepted, developed, operated, and maintained by the local rural people, who often lack formal education/capacity and resources.
- 4. Pilot the training across the beneficiary stated in the background rationale on business development, sustainable agriculture, and climate change.
- 5. Develop a report on how training can lend to payment for services and investment in rural community-based water schemes. i.e., strengthening current cost and revenue models for the types of business relevant to communities
- 6. Develop and report on the learnings and recommendations of the pilot project and its application/relevance for roll-out more broadly in South Africa and other African partner contexts.

Time Frame: 12 Months

Total Funds Available: R 1 450 000.00

BUDGET OVERVIEW

Line item	Year 1 Nov 22 – Dec 22	Line item	Year 2 Jan 23 – Nov 23
Project management		Project management	R 240 000,00
Capacity development partnership and network report + Training Workshops - business development training + SEDA briefing (200 pax)	R 240 000,00	Report or PES services, learnings and recommendations report/s + Training Workshops – Climate change and sustainable agriculture (100 pax)	R 480 000,00
Materials development and accredited – business development & sustainable agriculture manuals	R 240 000,00	Materials development and accreditation – climate change and water and sanitation services manuals	R 160 000,00
		Print and Publication of manuals	R 90 000,00