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Questions and Answers

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1. Will USAID/Colombia finance new African Palm projects?

No, USAID/Colombia is prohibited from financing any projects related to African Palm production.

2. Can associations of Palm Farmers apply to this APS in the area of Palm, whether it's a sustainability or technical assistance project?

Yes, as long as the projects do not involve African Palm.

3. What is the cut-off date for the submission of concept papers?

As stated in the first page of the APS, the last date for the submission of concept papers is December 15, 2011.

4. International cooperation organizations or NGOs as the United Nations, UN, through one of its programs, may participate as a proponent (applicant) on the opportunity? We are interesting in present a project with an important impact and we believe that the best proponent could be the UNODC program.

Yes.

5. Is there a maximum percentage for personnel costs in relation to the remaining items?

No, however, they should be reasonable and the level of effort should match the proposed activities.

6. Is there a maximum percentage for indirect costs in relation to the remaining items?

No, but they should be reasonable and proportionate to the proposed activities.

7. Is it possible to integrate institutional strengthening and programmatic strengthening components?

Yes, as long as they are within the programmatic areas mentioned in the APS.

8. Are there non-eligible costs?

See ADS 312 for Restricted and Ineligible Commodities:
<http://www.usaid.gov/policy/ads/300/312.pdf>

9. Are there budget regulations that we should consider?

No, follow the concept paper preparation guidelines in Section IV of the APS.

10. Is it necessary to have a DUNS number to apply?

No, but it will be required if your application is selected for award.

11. In Paragraph denoted C1, point #2 it state the assistance to local government in suppling the services of education, health and energy. Can construction of this facility be included in the proposal?

No, construction projects are not being contemplated under this APS.

** Questions received after the posting date of this document will be posted with their respective answers in May or June, 2011, if any are received.



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