

CARIBBEAN INSTITUTE FOR METEOROLOGY AND HYDROLOGY (CIMH)

STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY FOR A RESILIENT CARIBBEAN COASTAL AND MARINE ENVIRONMENT (RCCAME) PROJECT

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

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The Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in an amount equivalent to USD1,542,100 towards the cost of "Strengthening Institutional Capacity for a Resilient Caribbean Coastal and Marine Environment (RCCAME) Project" and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under contracts procured under this project. Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of CIMH and upon approval by CDB and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than CIMH shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The following consultancy assignments will be procured under the project:

(a)	Consultancy Services for Marine Forecaster Services
(b)	Consultancy Services for Expansion of Air Quality Monitoring and Predictions
(c)	Air Quality Monitoring and Prediction Internship (3 Interns)
(d)	Consultancy Services for Cascading Hazard Workflow Development
(e)	Consultancy Services for Climate Modeller
(f)	Consultancy Services for Publication and Dissemination of the Caribbean Research for Action Agenda on Climate Change and Health Consultancy
(g)	Communication Consultant

It is expected that these will be procured during the period January 2025 to August 2026.

The following goods and non-consultancy services will be procured under the project:

(a)	Sofar Spotter Buoy and Smart Mooring Monitoring Equipment
(b)	Sofar Spotter Buoy and Smart Mooring Monitoring Equipment Installation
(c)	Travel/Airfare (Direct Selection)
(d)	Venue rental and catering services
(e)	Participants' transportation
(f)	Platform to support model development
(g)	Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance Instrument
(h)	Drone Payloads
(i)	Design, e-Publication/digital flipbook and printing services
(j)	Data Collection and Publishing



It is expected that these will be procured during the period January 2025 to August 2026.

Consultants, Contractors and Suppliers from member countries of CDB and other countries eligible for procurement under the European Union (EU)-funded programme, which are not CDB member countries, in accordance with the <u>EU Eligibility Rules</u> will be eligible to participate in these procurement opportunities. Potential bidders and proposers are advised to review the detailed eligibility criteria detailed in Section 4 of the <u>Procurement Procedures for Projects Financed by CDB (January, 2021), as published on CDB's website.</u>

Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH) is the Executing Agency for the project. Further details of the project can be obtained by contacting Contact 1 below. Submission of proposals, quotations, bids etc MUST be submitted to Contact 2 below.

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PROCUREMENT PLAN

I. General

1. Project Information

Country: Regional

Grantee: Caribbean Institute for Meteorology and Hydrology (CIMH)

Project Name: Strengthening Institutional Capacity for a Resilient Caribbean Coastal and Marine Environment (RCCAME) Project

Project Implementing Agency (PIA): CIMH

- 2. Bank's Approval Date of the Procurement Plan: August 1, 2025
- 3. This Procurement Plan is valid until: August 1, 2024 September 1, 2026
- II. Goods and Works and Non-Consulting Services
- 1. Prior Review Threshold: Procurement decision subject to Prior Review by the Bank as stated in the Procurement Procedures:

	Selection Method	Prior Review Threshold (USD)	Comments
1.	Limited Bidding (LB)	≥ 12,000	
2.	Direct Selection (DS)	≥ 12,000	

- 1. **Reference to (if any) Project Operational/Procurement Manual:** Procurement Policy for Projects Financed by CDB (November, 2019) and Procurement Procedures for Projects Financed by CDB (January, 2021).
- 2. **Any Other Special Procurement Arrangements:** CDB financing is being provided through resources allocated to CDB under the Caribbean Action for Resilience Enhancement (CARE) Programme. As per the requirements of the CARE Contribution Agreement, eligibility shall be extended to countries which are eligible for procurement under EU-Funded projects, which are not CDB member countries, in accordance with the EU Eligibility Rules.

Ref Contract (Description No.	Estimated Cost (USD)	Selection Method	Prequalificatio n (Yes/No)	Regional Preference (Yes/No)	Review by Bank (Prior/Post)	Expected Bid – Opening Date	Comments
activity 1. 1.1 An optimal low ecords and transmits in near		•	_	-			cross the region that continuously
			No	No	Prior		
(a) Sofar Spotter Buoy and	1	LB	INO	NO	Prior	January	The project finances the expansion
Smart Mooring		International				2025	of a marine observation platform t
Monitoring Equipment (53)							enhance existing networks. The Moisture and Aerosol
(33)							Gradients/Physics of Inversion
							Evolution (MAGPIE) program,
							which studies ocean-atmosphere
							exchanges, completed its first pha
							in August 2023 by deploying a So
							Spotter Buoy near Ragged Point,
							Barbados. Re-deployed in Februar
							2024, CIMH staff are automating
							data visualization using the buoy's
							Application Programming Interface
							The Sofar Spotter platform provid
							a low-cost, sustainable, and
							extensible system for researching
							ocean- atmosphere interactions, de
							ocean circulation, wave dynamics
							and marine contaminant transport.
							Globally, hundreds of Spotter Buo
							report ocean parameters, improvir
							marine forecasts. Therefore, LB is
							proposed to help standardization of
							marine monitoring in the Caribbe

(b)	Sofar Spotter Buoy and		LB	No	No	Prior	March 2025	
	Smart		International					
	Mooring Monitoring							
	Equipment installation							
	cost (48)							
2-day Iı	nstallation/Maintenance Wo	rkshop						
(a)	Participants' airfare (30)		DS	No	No	Post	March 2025	
(b)	Venue rental and catering		LB National	No	No	Post	March 2025	
(c)	Participants'		LB National	No	No	Post	March 2025	
	transportation (30)							

Activi	ty 1.1.3 Technical capacity bu	ilt through att		to marine resear rine Forecast Su		to enhance marine	model developmen	t within the
Ref No.	Contract (Description)	Estimated Cost (USD)	Selection Method	Prequalificati on (Yes/No)	Regional Preference (Yes/No)	Review by Bank (Prior/Post)	Expected Bid – Opening Date	Comments
(d)	CIMH Staff airfare (2 trips)		DS	No	No	Post	September 2025	
(e)	Transportation (2 trips)		LB National	No	No	Post	September 2025	
(f)	Platform to support model development		LB International	No	No	Post	September 2025	
Activity	1. 2.1 At least two (2) TEOMs	s station plus p	oayload procure	ed and installed to countries	to support air	quality monitoring	in areas of concern	in at least two
(a)	TEOMs (2)		LB International	No	No	Prior	March 2025	
(b)	Drone Payloads (2)		LB International	No	No	Post	June 2025	
Act	ivity 1.3.1 Regional stakehold	er workshop c	onvened to sup	port the develop	ment of a region	onal air quality mo	nitoring strategic fr	amework
(a)	Airfare (3)		DS	No	No	Post	April 2026	

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(b)	Catering (10 locals)		LB National	No	No	Post	April 2026			
(c)	Transportation (3)		LB National	No	No	Post	April 2026			
	Activity 1.3.3 Newly developed strategic framework is published and distributed among relevant stakeholders									
(a)	Design, e-Publication/digital flipbook and printing services		LB International	No	No	Post	September 2026			
	Activ	rity 1.4.2 Clim	ate ensemble m	odel developed	and piloted re s	sectoral application	1			
(a)	Computational Cloud Services + Storage		LB International	No	No	Prior	October 2025			
Activ	rity 1.4.3 Training workshop co	onvened to fu	rther advance c	limate modellin	g application ca	apacities across NN	MHSs and research i	nstitutions		
(a)	Participants' airfare (15)		DS	No	No	Post	January 2026			
(b)	Catering (25 locals)		LB National	No	No	Post				
(c)	Participants' transportation		LB National	No	No	Post	January 2026			

Ref No.	Contract (Description)	Estimated Cost (USD)	Selection Method	Prequalific ation (Yes/No)	Regional Preference (Yes/No)	Review by Bank (Prior/Post)	Expected Bid – Opening Date	Comments			
	Activity 1.5.2 Demonstration workshop showing the elements of the cascading framework on a selected watershed where precipitation may trigger landslide and flood hazards along with other secondary hazards convened, to illustrate how the cascading system can risk-inform early warning system										
				and implem							
(a)	Airfare (2)		DS	No	No	Post	March 2026				
(b)	Catering		LB National	No	No	Post	March 2026				
Activity 1.	6.1 Knowledge transfer worksho	p/seminar co	onvened to fur	ther accelera and policy	te the integra	tion of data an	alytics to add	dress the nexus between science			
(a)	Airfare (70)		DS	No	No	Post	February 2026				
(b)	Venue rental and catering		LB National	No	No	Post	February 2026				
(c)	Transportation (70)		LB National	No	No	Post	February 2026				
Activity 1.0	6.2 A white paper developed outli regional policy and										
(a)	Data Collection and Publishing		LB International	No	No	Post	May 2026				
	Activity 1.7.2 C	Caribbean I	Research for A	Action Agen	da dissemin	ated through	various for	rums			
(a)	Airfare - 2 international and 1 regional conference (2 R4ACCHCP members)		DS	No	No	Post	April 2025				

III. Consulting Services

1. Prior Review Threshold: Procurement decision subject to Prior Review by the Bank as stated in the Procurement Procedures:

Selection Method	Prior Review Threshold	Comments
Selection Method	(USD)	
1. Individual Consultant Selection (ICS)	≥12,000	

- **2. Reference to (if any) Project Operational/Procurement Manual:** Procurement Policy for Projects Financed by CDB (2019) and the Procurement Procedures for Projects Financed by CDB (January, 2021)
- 3. Any Other Special Procurement Arrangements: Financing shall be provided under the CARE agreement and thus, in accordance with that agreement, eligibility shall be extended to countries which are eligible for procurement under the EU-funded Programme, which are not CDB member countries, in accordance with the EU Eligibility Rules
- 4. Procurement Packages with Selection Methods and Time Schedule

Ref No.	Assignment (Description)	Estimated Cost (USD)	Selection Method	Review Bank (Prior/Post)	Expected Proposal Submission Date	Comment
(a)	Marine Forecaster Services Consultant		ICS	Prior	October 2025	
(b)	Consultancy services for expansion of air quality monitoring and predictions		ICS	Prior	November 2025	
(c)	Air Quality Monitoring and Prediction Internship (3 interns)		ICS	Prior	November 2025	
(d)	Consultancy services for cascading hazard workflow development		ICS	Prior	April 2025	
(e)	Climate modeller services consultant		ICS	Prior	September 2025	

(f)	Publication and dissemination of the Caribbean research for action agenda on climate change and health consultancy	DS	Prior	January 2025	Blue Sky Development authored an unabridged version of the CRAA available at Research for action on climate change and health in the Caribbean. They were selected as a sole source contractor by Earth Medic and partners under a previous initiative to facilitate the work because of their experience with development of the Caribbean HIV/AIDS Research Agenda and the Caribbean Health Research Agenda. Additionally, Blue Sky's principal, Dr Caroline
					Allen, had coordinated the preparation of the CARPHA 2017-2018 State of Public Health Report in the Caribbean on Climate Change and Health. The intention is to engage Blue Sky again to develop and publish as a PAHO Technical report a more succinct version of the CRAA. As co-authors of the original source material, Blue Sky will have a unique intellectual command of the material and methods needed to produce this technical report.
(g)	Communication Consultancy	ICS	Post	January 2025	
IV. I	mplementing Agency Procurement Capacit	y Building Activities w	ith Time Scl	<u>nedule</u>	
In thi	s section the agreed Procurement Capacity	Building Activities are	e listed with	time schedu	le
No.	Expected Outcome/ Activity D	escription	Estimated Cost	Estimated Duration (Days)	Start Date
1.	Project launch workshop (virtual or in-personal Implementing Agency to increase the capacity of to follow CDB's procurement pr	of Implementing Agency	0	2	Q1 2025
2.	Increased capacity of Implementing Agency to u accordance with CDB's Procurement Pro CDB's Online Procurement Tr	ocedures through	0	5	Q1 2025

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ICB	International Competitive Bidding	QBS	Quality Based Selection
NCB	National Competitive Bidding	QCBS	Quality and Cost-Based Selection
DS	Direct Selection	FBS	Fixed Budget Selection
LB	Limited Bidding	LCS	Least Cost Selection
RB	Regional Bidding	CQS	Consultants Qualifications Selection
FA	Force Account	ICS	Individual Consultant Selection
NBF	Non-Bank Financing		