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Call for proposals of the Japan Trust Fund for 2011

Introduction

This is to inform developing States and Participating territories of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission, particularly small island developing States, that the Japan Trust Fund (JTF) for 2011 are now available and calls for your proposals. The JTF is multi-year programme of support provided by the Government of Japan to be implemented over 5 years starting from 2008. The first year programme started in 2008 covered for two years, 2007 and 2008 period due to late start of the JTF in 2008. The JTF terminates with 2011 programme, therefore, this call for proposals is the last one. Its focus is to support capacity building among developing island States in respect to fisheries statistics, regulation and enforcement. As conducted in the past, most proposals for the JTF will be coordinated by the SPC/FFA to secure needs for all potential beneficiaries in an effective way. However, proposals from eligible individual CCMs will be welcomed, although any overlapping of the similar projects with those from the SPC/FFA will be reviewed by the Steering Committee of the JTF.

Applicants need to prepare a project proposal that describes background, purpose, necessity, expected outcome and budget required for the project in a short but clear and concise manner of no more than 5 pages (See, example template below). The deadline for the close of proposals is 31 December 2010. The Steering Committee undertakes an appraisal, selects projects to be supported with the aim of announcing approved projects in early 2011. Approved projects are required to submit a brief narrative and full financial report to the Steering Committee no later than 30 days after completion of the project. If you have any inquiry about the JTF, please contact Dr. Ziro Suzuki, the JTF Coordinator (ziro.suzuki@wcpfc.int).

Objective

To support capacity building among developing island States in respect to fisheries statistics, regulation and enforcement

Scope and Tasks

Provision of project proposals with budget implication

Outputs

Narrative (Progress) report of the Project and full financial report to the JTF Coordinator Dr Ziro Suzuki (ziro.suzuki@wcpfc.int, copy to zsuzuki@affrc.go.jp) no later than 30 days after the completion of the project

Expressions of Interest

The consultancy will commence as soon as possible after the selection of the winning bid. Suitably qualified individuals, institutions or firms are invited to submit bids to undertake the assignment described above.

In assessing the merits of all bids, cost efficiency and cost effectiveness will be important considerations in determining the preferred bidder.

Template for the Project Proposal (Illustration)

Title

Development and improvement on fisheries data collection and data base for Pohnpei artisanal and semi-artisanal tuna catch in the coastal water.

Principal Investigator

Mr. PI (brief CV attached)

Background and needs

The problem of lacking inshore fisheries data exists throughout the four states of Federated States of Micronesia. In the late 80's, there was a program in place that provided sufficient information on fishing effort in the inshore fishery but phased out a decade later due to funding constraint.

In 2006, a fish market study was done that provided a baseline data on coastal fish catch but did not focus on amount of tuna landed by local fishers. Tuna fishing such as trolling and bottom fishing, is one of the most important source of income for most of the fishers. The lack of basic statistics on tuna and tuna like fishes in the inshore fishery is a serious concern for small developing island country, because of not only need for resources management but also for improvement of the self-sufficiency of food. Therefore, there are the needs to have a program or system in place that will gather and compile information of tuna catch from the inshore fishing activity. These data can also improve the problem of tuna data gaps that have been landed by local fishers.

Objectives

- To develop a fisheries data collection program for providing information on tuna catch within Pohnpei coastal water with the assistance of SPC-OFP
- To enhance the capacity of fisheries personnel on proper methods of data collection on tuna catch from local fishers

Work Proposed

- To conduct workshop for State Fisheries Officers on data collection procedure or method
- To assess and purchase required software and hardware for improvement of fisheries data input and storage

Expected Outcome

- Tuna Statistics program in place can provide more accurate information on inshore tuna catch.
- Availability of information on inshore fishery is improved for resource management purposes.
- Well trained Fisheries Officers on proper data collection, management and analysis can be increased.

- The experiences obtained through this project can be expanded to other important fish species like reef fishes, another staple fish stocks in island peoples.

Budget

The requested budget will cover: the travel costs of trainer from SPC-OFP to conduct training for Pohnpei State Fisheries Officers regarding basic fisheries data collection, management and analysis. Travel costs for a local Fisheries Officer to travel to all outer islands of Pohnpei to establish data collection program, train and hire counterparts in these five outer islands. The remaining will be used for software setup and purchasing necessary hardware such as computer (one laptop, a digital camera for outer island training and software) with which the data entry, verification and compilations are executed. The cost of fuel is included in this initial request because it was not reflected in our 2009 fiscal year budget but it can be accommodated in FY10.

Item	Cost
Travel and per diem for SPC-OFP staff to conduct workshop in Pohnpei	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round trip for Noumea/Pohnpei - \$6,000 • Per diem – 5 days (\$119/day) - \$600 	\$6,600
Travel and per diem for State Fisheries officer to outer island to train locals on data collection	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of traveling to 6 outer islands to train Data Collectors 	\$ 1,500
Five Outer island Fisheries Data Collectors Contract	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 Data Collectors (\$100/month for 12 months) 	\$ 7,200
Procurement of software and hardware for the establishment of the data base	\$3,200
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 Laptop for outer island training - \$2,500 • 1 Digital Camera - \$500 • 1 Software - \$200 	
Fuel for data collection	\$ 2,500
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fuel will be used for outer islands and the main island during data collection • \$2,000 for 6 islands and \$500 for the main island 	
TOTAL	US \$21,000

Submitted by:

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