

## Malaysia-UK PACT carbon pricing MEE Questions & Answers

### Post-event Communication

**Q. How do organisations end up on the UK PACT roster for quotations for shorter term work?**

A. Organisations interested in being listed in the roster can submit a query through the website ([www.ukpact.co.uk](http://www.ukpact.co.uk)) or email us at [expertdeployments@ukpact.co.uk](mailto:expertdeployments@ukpact.co.uk). Our Request for Quotations for short-term work will also be open to those not included yet in the roster. We will announce all funding opportunities on the UK PACT website.

### Scope and focus of the CfP

**Q. For the Regulatory Framework for BESS, can we submit a proposal that combines regulatory framework for BESS with a primary focus on advancing energy access for off-grid communities?**

A. Yes, if the Regulatory Framework that is being proposed can be applied to on-grid, which is the main focus. Please notice that this grant does not include CAPEX costs for rural electrification.

**Q. FCO short assignment is also related to carbon markets, but this is financed through the green finance window. Is there any specific reason for this?**

A. The support for FCO is categorised as 'financing green' under green finance, specifically financing Nature-based Solutions.

**Q. Can you provide more information on the FCO short term opportunity? Can an organisation apply to multiple opportunities? (either within the green finance and carbon market windows or across them)**

A. Yes, applicants can submit multiple proposals. We expect each proposal to be addressing one intervention area.

**Q. How many projects do you aim to fund per call?**

A. The upcoming call in July will be for 5 Green Finance projects/ED's and 1 carbon market projects (or ED, TBC).

**Q. Does preparing the industry for a domestic emissions trading system include conducting feasibility studies for potential projects, as well as identifying and mapping potential carbon credit opportunities within the sector?**

A. The support aims primarily to provide basic understanding as well as tailored support for industry players on the DETS mechanism from other country experience, including how the auction process works. We do not yet envision the need to support feasibility studies of potential projects.

**Q. Can we have multiple partners from outside Malaysia, say from UK and Eastern Europe in our consortia?**

A. Yes, consortia can include multiple partners from outside Malaysia.

**Q. What is the scoring matrix?**

A. We will detail the scoring criteria in the Terms of Reference for the Call for Proposals.

### **Application Process and Requirement**

**Q. What are the timelines & starting time for Sector 1, Green Finance?**

A. The Call for Proposals for sector 1 is expected to be launched on 3 July. The deadline for submissions will be early August, co-creation and due diligence with successful implementing partners will commence in September, with projects expected to go live in October 2025.

**Q. Are the timelines the same for Calls for Proposals for all Sector 1 projects?**

A. At present, yes. If there are any changes to timelines, this will be communicated.

**Q. When is the last date for proposal submission?**

A. The current deadline for submission is on 4 August 2025.

### **Eligibility criteria**

**Q. Are organisations that are not registered in Malaysia eligible to apply as lead applicants?**

A. Yes, organisations that are not registered in Malaysia are eligible to apply as lead applicants, however we expect applicants to have experience of the Malaysian context and encourage consortia that include a Malaysian organisation

**Q. Could you please confirm UN agencies' eligibility for the call for proposal?**

A. Yes, UN agencies are eligible to apply. We do expect that applicants will have solid footing on

the ground to effectively engage relevant stakeholders or partner with those having a Malaysia footprint.

**Q. Can MCMA be part of the consortium for Carbon Market projects?**

A. No - in all our engagements with MCMA we have engaged with them as a counterpart, so they are expected to be recipients of technical assistance support, not implementers.

**Q. Does the main applicant need to be Malaysian based institution. For example, can a foreign university based in Malaysia but registered outside Malaysia be the lead applicant.**

A. Organisations that are not registered in Malaysia are eligible to apply as lead applicants. We expect applicants to have experience of the Malaysian context and encourage consortia that include a Malaysian organisation

**Q. Please can you explain how govt agencies (in this case UK) can be involved?**

A. Interventions presented today are expected to be delivered primarily by implementing partners/experts. If bid submissions identify a specific role for UK Gov agencies to support e.g. through sharing of experience/lessons learnt, the consortia/organisation delivering the project/ED will be expected to own the output and liaise with the relevant UK Govt agency to collaborate on outputs directly.

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**Q. Must the consortium involve UK consulting company as well?**

A. There is no requirement that a proposal involve a UK based organisation

**Q. Are private sector firms eligible for the grants if it is for-profit as well?**

A. For-profit firms are eligible to apply, but the grant itself must be delivered with no profit included in the budget

**Finance requirements**

**Q. Under financing strategies for grid expansion, can we use the funds to perform a pilot study through a PPP model to expand grid access to interconnect oil palm mills and promote clean distributed generation (electricity generation)?**

A. Yes, if this is only a [small] portion of the project, since most of the intervention is expected to be linked to policy recommendations/regulation and designing financing vehicles for grid expansion.

**Q. The phase 2 of carbon markets window (ETS implementation support package) will there a separate call for that one, or organisation should also apply through this call?**

A. We will announce later in the year a separate Request for Quotations for the DETS support package.

**Q. As the project runs over two financial years, does this mean the total grant value possible will be GBP 640,000?**

A. Yes, we can confirm that FY25/26 will be GBP 320k. Funding for future years is TBC.

**Q. What is the likelihood of budget for FY 26/27 being cut given announcements about UK Gov cutting their overall aid budget?**

A. We will have more certainty for future budgets this Autumn, until then, programming for 25/26 will continue as presented today.

**Q. Is the project paid based on working days? Or a lumpsum payment for the agreed outputs?**

A. Grantees will be reimbursed based on working days.

**Q. Is the total grant of 320K sharing across 2 sectors or 320K per sector?**

A. Each intervention will be allocated up to £320k

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