

Nature-based Solutions Call for Proposals

Market Engagement Event

9 December 2021

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Welcoming remarks

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Introduction to UK PACT



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UK PACT: Partnering for Accelerated Climate Transitions

UK PACT was established in 2018 with £70m funding for an initial three-year period. In September 2021, the UK announced £200m of new funding over the next four years to March 2026.

Mission and vision:

- Delivered by **BEIS, the UK's Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy**, through the UK's International Climate Finance (ICF) portfolio
- Supporting **achievement of Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs)** and the long-term goal of the 2015 Paris Agreement to **limit dangerous climate change**
- **Demand-driven**, adjusting key focus areas based on partner countries' needs and sectoral priorities

We will achieve this by:

- Working with partner countries to improve the capacity and capability of key institutions to reduce emissions and foster inclusive economic growth
- Addressing barriers and constraints to clean growth
- Pursuing opportunities for greater climate ambition

UK PACT programme structure

A flexible, demand-driven delivery model with three core components to support transformational change

Country Programmes



Support in partner countries for **demand-driven projects providing capacity building** to accelerate low-carbon transitions

Green Recovery Challenge Fund



Support for **innovative capacity building** projects in a **wider range of ODA-eligible countries** to promote emissions reductions and low carbon solutions

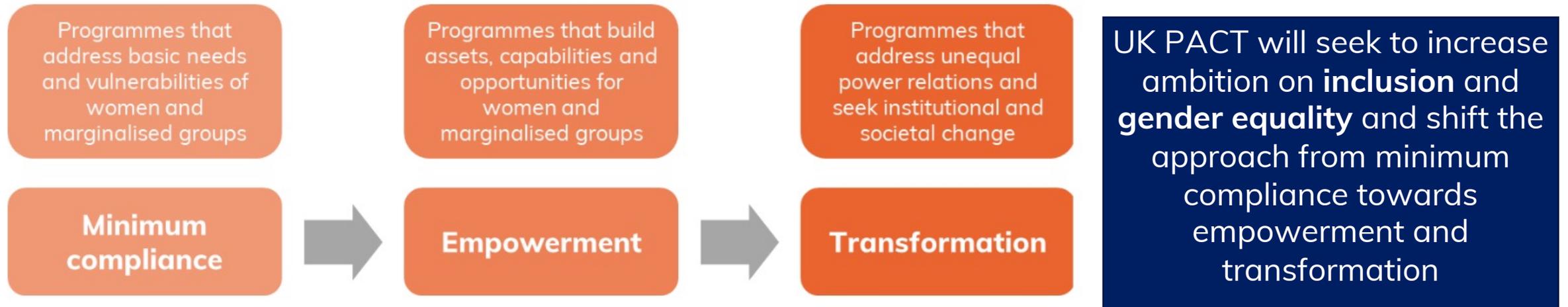
Skill-Shares and Secondments



Short term **skill-shares** between UK experts and their country counterparts, and long-term **secondments** into key institutions

Supporting an inclusive transition

Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI)



To achieve these objectives, GESI considerations are mainstreamed across the programme and built into its outputs accordingly

Kenya-UK PACT Country Programme



- Working in **partnership with high ambition countries**
- **Identifying priority sectors based on the country context** and demand identified by relevant government stakeholders
- **Providing grants for capacity building projects** in priority areas, which are delivered by selected implementing partners (e.g. NGOs, businesses, academia etc.).

The UK and Kenya have committed to work together to accelerate action on climate change while creating green jobs, and UK PACT is key to delivering this partnership.

UK PACT is focusing on two key priorities in Kenya:

- Clean Energy Transition
- Nature-based Solutions

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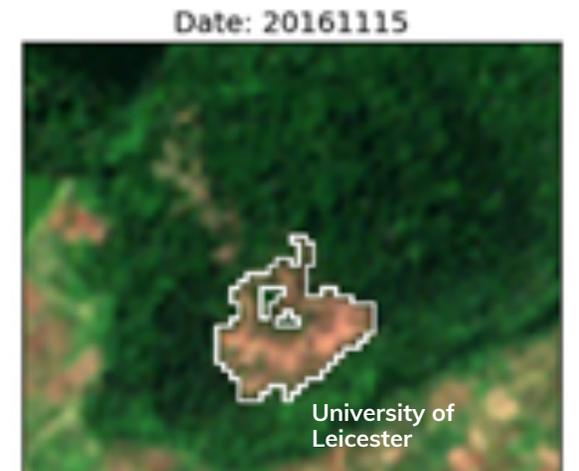
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UK in Kenya: Nature-based Solutions projects



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Delivering on Kenya's NDC targets

- Kenya-UK PACT is launching a new funding opportunity for projects in the nature-based solutions sector. This will directly support the ambitious goals of the Government of Kenya for this sector, set out in their Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) .
- Kenya's NDC commits it to reducing emissions by 32% by 2030, in line with a 2-degree temperature goal.
- The Land Use and Forests sector is required to deliver roughly a quarter of the overall abatement target set out in Kenya's NDC (11.9 MtCO₂e), partially through expansion of forest cover. Kenya's 2010 constitution enshrines a commitment to restore 10% national forest cover, which the Government of Kenya aims to achieve by 2022.

We are asking for proposals across 2 categories of support

1

Address policy and institutional gaps in forest conservation, management and expansion



2

Continued development and implementation of a national REDD+ system



Illustrative intervention areas for support

1

Policy and institutional gaps and opportunities in forest conservation, management, and expansion



- Establishment of an efficient, effective and equitable **institutional framework for REDD+ implementation**,—such as a new Forest Regulatory Authority.
- Strengthening **implementation capacity of County Governments**, in collaboration with local communities, to implement devolved forestry functions at policy and institutional levels and to mobilise financial resources.
- Strengthening knowledge and coordination to **enhance participation and investments of non-state actors** in forest conservation, management and forest expansion (e.g. private sector and NGOs).
- Development of **national standards and certification for forest management** and utilization in the context of the National REDD+ strategy and international best practices.
- Establish a **legal framework for ownership and management** of forest carbon assets, including benefit sharing, titling, and safeguards to support REDD+ implementation.

Illustrative intervention areas for support



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Continued development and implementation of a national REDD+ system

- Development, implementation and associated capacity-building of a **framework for nesting and registry of REDD+ projects** and programmes.
- Build the capacity of National Treasury, Constitutional bodies and key government institutions to **play a coordinating role of national REDD+ processes**, mobilisation of finance, distribution of payments and incentives, oversight and reporting.
- Strengthening of **government capability to develop and implement public-private partnerships** in conservation, sustainable forest management (SFM) and commercial forestry to support forest landscape restoration.
- **Guidelines on benefit-sharing mechanisms** for REDD+ implementation at project, programme, county and national levels:
 - Capacity building for relevant government units to identify and assess financing, incentives, and benefit-sharing opportunities for REDD+ and other NBS implementation
 - Develop Gender, Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI)-centred nature-based solutions (NBS) benefit-sharing principles in line with national legislation and within National Treasury procedures
- **Standards and methodologies for harmonising REDD+ projects:**
 - Support the establishment of clear national authorisation processes and system for reviewing, approving and accounting for mitigation outcomes for use toward an international compliance obligation. This will avoid double-counting, double-claiming, and enhance climate ambition.
 - Build capacity of local experts to design, implement, monitor, and certify REDD+ projects and programmes.

How to respond to the priority areas

How many themes can I apply for?

- Applicants should aim to have a transformative impact on at least one (or both) categories of support, in its entirety, through their proposal.
- Each proposal will be assessed independently.
- Applicants should propose projects of between 12 months and 3 years in duration as is relevant to the intervention or selection of interventions being delivered.
- All proposals must be able to demonstrate how they would achieve impact within one year (even those that could be continued for years 2 and 3).

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Application process and requirements

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The upcoming Call for Proposals

– Nature-based Solutions

- Projects will be selected through a **one-stage open and competitive call for proposals**
- All projects must be delivered on a **not-for-profit** basis. Eligible costs will include:
 - Consultancy and/or staff time required to deliver activities
 - Reasonable travel and subsistence costs for receipted actual expenditures only
 - Other costs directly related to activities and outputs (workshops, seminars, production of reports, translation etc.)
- We cannot award funding for tangible assets e.g. seedlings

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic and its socio-economic impact in Kenya, we also welcome innovative projects that respond to this situation within the subsector.

What's required?

Eligibility requirements

Organisation eligibility



- ✓ Think tanks, consultancies (private sector firms), academic institutions, NGOs, professional associations or similar organisations that have the knowledge, skills and experience to deliver technical assistance projects relating to one of the priority sectors outlined
- ✓ Experience of delivering similar projects
- ✓ We encourage consortia of organisations to coordinate to deliver multiple interventions within a project, but consortia must have at least one local partner.
- ✓ Government agencies and/or departments are not eligible to apply either as a lead organisation, or as a partner organisation within a consortium

Project eligibility



- ✓ Strategic fit with the UK PACT priorities outlined
- ✓ **Demonstrate clear pathways to engage with intended counterparts in Kenya**
 - ✓ Ministry of Environment and Forestry, County Government, local communities and other relevant agencies and actors in the Nature-based Solutions sector
- ✓ **Between 12 months and 3 years**, demonstrating how projects will achieve impact within one year even if they continue for 2 or 3 years
- ✓ Between £250,000 and £1,000,000 per year, per project, with an overall cap of £2,000,000.
- ✓ Highlighting clear and specific opportunities to advance Gender Equality and Social Inclusion

UK PACT Selection criteria

Selection criteria will focus on grant project design and potential impact, project and financial management and GESI

There will be a strong emphasis on:

- The extent to which projects respond to the objectives outlined in the Terms of Reference
- The degree to which projects fit within the overall UK PACT Theory of Change
- The extent to which gender equality and social inclusion have been given priority within the project plan and outputs
- The plans for managing the project, including confidence that evidence of outputs achieved and progress reporting will be delivered on schedule
- The plans for ensuring value for money

Results monitoring and case studies

- Proposals will include the submission of a **Results Monitoring Plan** describing proposed project outputs and their expected impact
- The outputs proposed by projects should be aligned with the 4 output types in the UK PACT Theory of Change (ToC)
- Projects will be encouraged to identify opportunities for developing case studies
- Further guidance on UK PACT's programme level MEL framework is available in our **Applicant Handbook**

UK PACT Outputs

Skills enhanced

Recommendations proposed

Knowledge products created

Networks established

Planning for project management

UK PACT projects can be demanding due to the requirement to submit evidence of all outputs that have been achieved. Applicants must ensure there is sufficient resourcing within teams and in budgets to meet these expectations.

- Projects will be expected to report on project outputs as they are achieved
- Projects will be expected to complete technical, financial and risk reporting on a quarterly basis
- Project management, results measurement and gender equality and social inclusion are all priorities for UK PACT and we encourage applicants to plan and budget for these tasks adequately

UK PACT will carry out an annual review process to ensure quality delivery and responsiveness to Government of Kenya's demand

Process and timeline

One stage process for the selection of projects



Application specifications +

Application timeline +

How to apply —

Projects will be selected through an open call to prospective applicants with a one stage competitive selection process.

All applications must be made through the **Country Programmes Opportunities Portal**. Applicants will need to register on the portal before they can apply. You can find instructions on how to register and apply on the portal in our Applicant Handbook [here](#).

All the guidance and templates you will need to make an application will be found on the Country Programmes Opportunities Portal when you apply. You can also view the key guidance documents here:

- **Terms of reference** — detailing the specific details of what types of project we are looking for and the selection criteria.
- **Applicant Handbook** – general guidance about eligibility, how to design a UK PACT project, how to develop a UK PACT budget and how to complete our due diligence process.
- **Draft Grant Agreement** – This is the agreement you will sign. You should read this and check that you can accept the terms before you apply.

To make an application, three templates must be completed and submitted on the Country Programmes Opportunities Portal - these

All applications must be made through the Country Programmes Opportunities Portal and we invite prospective applicants to register on the portal in advance of the launch

Completing an application

Three templates must be completed:

1. UK PACT Country Programmes Proposal Template
2. UK PACT Country Programmes Budget and Workplan Template
3. UK PACT Country Programmes Results Monitoring Plan

These will be available on the portal when you apply

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Overheads	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0	£0
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UK PACT Impact Monitoring and Evaluation Template			
	Name	Organisation	Email address
Nominated monitoring and evaluation contact:			




UK PACT Country Programmes Full Proposal Form – 2020

Full Proposal Checklist		
Do you have a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) or similar agreement in place between all consortium partners?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Will you be able to set up a bank account that enables you to receive GBP (£) prior to receiving UK PACT funding?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you read the draft Grant Agreement, which can be found in the Country Programmes Opportunities Portal, and can you confirm that you accept the terms? There will not be an opportunity to negotiate the Grant Agreement following award and therefore organisations should ensure they are happy with the attached agreement before proceeding. If you have specific questions on the Grant Agreement, you may ask these in the form of clarification questions within the 5-working day limit for receipt of clarification questions.	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Have you checked that you have not exceeded the word limit in any section of this form?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>

List of reference documents to complete an application

A draft Terms of Reference will be available on the website following the market engagement event. A final version will be published with the Call for Proposals.

Other useful references available on the website:

- Applicant Handbook
- Draft Grant Agreement
- Implementing Partner Handbook
- GESI Ambition Statement
- Country Programmes FAQs

Visit: www.ukpact.co.uk/country-programme/Kenya

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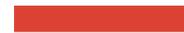
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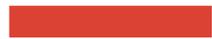
Next steps

Reminder on upcoming timeframes for application

- The slides and ToR will be published on the Kenya-UK PACT web page in coming days. Visit: www.ukpact.co.uk/country-programme/kenya
- Call for Proposals will be launched on **10 January 2022** on the Kenya-UK PACT web page above.
- Survey will be emailed to participants to gather additional feedback on this webinar and the call for proposals
- For any technical issues when registering on the application portal please contact: support@touchstonereview.com



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