

TERMS OF REFERENCE AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

I. General Information

Title of the Assignment	Technical Advisor in Climate Finance and Carbon Market
Name of the Project	Euroclima Caribbean
Region/Country	Caribbean
Duration and max. number of days	70 working days (remotely, with potential field missions), spread over 18 months
Deadline for Submission	May 11th, 2025

II. Context and Justification of the Need

1) Presentation of Expertise France

Expertise France (EF) is a public agency and the French interministerial actor in international cooperation. It became a subsidiary of the French Agency for Development Group (“Agence française de développement” in French) in January 2022. As the second largest agency in Europe, it designs and implements projects that sustainably strengthen public policies in developing and emerging countries on a range of policy issues (e.g. sustainable development, governance, stability, health, education). It operates in key areas of development and contributes alongside its partners to the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

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2) Presentation of Euroclima

Euroclima is the European Union’s flagship Programme that strengthens the partnership with the Latin America and Caribbean region for a sustainable and fair transition through countries and regional dialogues and actions.

The Programme aims to tackle the triple planetary crises of climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution by catalysing transformation through key initiatives in priority sectors and facilitating green financing and investment. By doing so, it seeks to enable the two regions to work together and bring about the profound change necessary to address these crises.

By strengthening the enabling environment, catalysing key initiatives in priority sectors and facilitating access and mobilisation of climate and green financing and investment, the European Union (EU) and the Latin America and Caribbean (LAC) countries are setting the stage for the profound transformation necessary to collaborate and address the immediate and existential threats we face.

As part of Euroclima and in alignment with the GGIA, Expertise France is supporting the formulation and implementation of regional and national actions on climate change mitigation and adaptation in the Caribbean. One of the identified priority areas concerns climate finance, including the development of

carbon market mechanisms under Article 6 of the Paris Agreement and the identification of high-integrity carbon credit generation opportunities.

III. Objectives and expected results

The objective is to provide technical assistance to Expertise France and partner countries in developing, implementing, and monitoring activities related to climate finance and carbon markets, through a flexible and demand-based support mechanism (purchase orders).

IV. Description of the assignment

1) Tasks

Under the supervision of Expertise France, the expert will undertake the following activities (to be specified per purchase order):

- Assessing carbon market opportunities in selected Caribbean countries (e.g. readiness for Article 6, regulatory frameworks, institutional roles).
- Identify and pre-screen project ideas suitable for carbon finance, with high environmental and social integrity.
- Support the design of project concepts in sectors such as renewable energy, mangrove restoration, agroforestry, or others with high carbon potential.
- Draft Terms of Reference (ToRs) for feasibility studies or project development consultancies.
- Review and ensure quality control of technical deliverables (e.g. baseline assessments, MRV methodologies, business models).
- Facilitate linkages with the European private sector (e.g. including carbon credit buyers, compliance market participants, project developers, technology providers, and financial intermediaries).
- Participate in coordination meetings and workshops with national counterparts and regional stakeholders.
- Document lessons learned, opportunities and constraints encountered during the formulation process.
- Contribute to briefing notes, presentations and internal reporting.

This list is not exhaustive, and tasks will be defined and detailed in each purchase order.

2) Deliverables

The results to be achieved and the expected deliverables will be defined and detailed in the purchase orders.

3) Coordination

The main contact will be Orion VIENNE, Project Officer: orion.vienne@expertisefrance.fr

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Cc2 : Florian FILIN, Administrative & Financial Officer, florian.filin@expertisefrance.fr

Close collaboration, including regular exchanges on the progress of the mission and any challenges encountered, must take place with the EF Euroclima Caribbean team from the preparation of the mission until its completion.

V. Place, Duration and Indicative Schedule

- **Implementation period:** 18 months
- **Start date:** anticipated to begin in May 2025
- **Schedule :** will be specified in each purchase order issued during the implementation period
- **Location:** remotely, with missions in Caribbean countries

VI. Required Expertise and Profile

1) Education

- Advanced degree (Master or PhD) related to environmental management, climate change, economic development, finance, environmental law or any other field relevant to the tasks described above.

2) Experience and skills

- At least 10 years of relevant professional experience in experience in carbon finance / carbon markets (VCM and compliance markets).
- Proven experience in design, implementation or certification of carbon projects in at least two of the following sectors: renewable energy, land-use/forestry, blue carbon (e.g. mangroves), agroforestry.
- Experience with high-integrity standards and Monitoring, Reporting & Verification (MRV) systems.
- Awareness of international, national, and regional regulations governing carbon markets and emissions trading.
- Awareness of key policy frameworks impacting carbon offsetting and sustainability initiatives (e.g., Paris Agreement, CORSIA, Article 6).
- Knowledge of financial instruments and investment strategies related to carbon markets, including pricing, trading mechanisms, and risk management.
- Good knowledge of EU climate policy and carbon market instruments, including Article 6 cooperation, the EU Emissions Trading System (EU ETS), CBAM, and voluntary market dynamics involving European buyers
- Familiarity with spatial analysis, GIS, and remote sensing.
- Skills in engaging with corporate clients, investors, NGOs, regulatory bodies, project developers, and local communities.
- Previous experience working in or with Caribbean countries.
- Demonstrated ability to interact with government institutions and private sector actors.
- Excellent drafting, synthesis and presentation skills.
- Fluent in English and French; Spanish is a strong asset.

VII. Application Modalities

Form of contract:

This consultancy will be managed under a framework contract with purchase orders for specific deliverables throughout the project period.

Submission Deadline: May 11th, 2025 11:59 pm (Paris time).

Expertise France reserves the right to choose a candidate before this date.

Bid Composition:

- A resume highlighting the skills and experience in line with the required ones (5 pages max)
- A financial offer (daily fee presented in euros).
- Candidate Form

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Incomplete bids will not be considered.