

5th Call for Letters of Inquiry ? CEPF Eastern Afromontane Biodiversity Hotspot; Yemen, Ethiopia, Burundi, DRC, Rwanda, Malawi and Zambia

Title

BirdLife International, the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and the Ethiopian Wildlife and Natural History Society, in their role as Regional Implementation Team (RIT) for the Critical Ecosystem Partnership Fund (CEPF) in the Eastern Afromontane Biodiversity Hotspot, invite civil society organisations to submit Letters of Inquiry (LOIs) for projects in **Yemen, Ethiopia, Burundi, DRC, Rwanda, Malawi and Zambia.**

Eligible applicants are NGOs, community groups, private enterprises, universities, and other civil society organisations. Government institutions are eligible in certain circumstances. This call for proposal is open for **large grants (USD 20,000 - USD 150,000) only.**

Deadline:

16 December 2013

Applicants must submit a Letter of Inquiry (LOI) in English or French using the form available at www.cepf.net/grants/apply/Pages/default.aspx

LOIs must be submitted electronically to CEPF at cepfefromontane@conservation.org. CEPF will not accept hardcopy LOIs.

You will receive an email acknowledging receipt of your application.

SCOPE OF CALL

This is the fifth of several Calls for Proposals over the investment period of 2012-2017 and as such, is purposefully limited in scope, focusing on **CEPF Strategic Direction 2, Investment Priorities 2.1 and 2.2**, as described in the [Ecosystem Profile](#). We will not accept proposals for

other Strategic Directions / Investment Priorities at this stage.

Strategic Direction 2. To improve the protection and management of the KBA network throughout the hotspot.

Investment Priority 2.1. Increase the protection status (via creation or expansion of protected areas) and/or develop, update and implement management plans for terrestrial priority KBAs.

Investment Priority 2.2. Support the role of civil society organisations in the application of site safeguard policies and procedures including the strengthening of environmental impact assessment implementation in order to address ongoing and emerging threats to all terrestrial KBAs, and priority freshwater KBAs.

More Information:

Full Call for Proposals: [English](#) (PDF - 525 KB) / [French](#) (PDF - 457 KB)

Ecosystem Profile: [English](#) (PDF – 4 MB)

Ecosystem Profile Summary: [English](#) (PDF - 2.5 MB) / [French](#) (PDF - 2.6 MB) / [Arabic](#) (PDF - 1.1 MB)

CEPF Investment Strategy: [English](#) (PDF – 1.7 MB) / [French](#) (PDF - 1.5 MB)

See also

www.cepf.net/where_we_work/regions/africa/eastern_afromontane/Pages/default.aspx

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