

Jobs - 6th Call for Letters of Inquiry - CEPF Eastern Afromontane Biodiversity Hotspot; Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda, Burundi (small grants)

Title

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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 organizations to submit Letters of Inquiry (LOIs) for projects in **Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda and Burundi**.

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 **small grants (USD 20,000 and less) only**.

Link with MacArthur Foundation call for proposals

Please note that the MacArthur Foundation launched a similar call for proposals for the Great Lakes Region of East and Central Africa, with focus on the Lake Victoria Basin. CEPF will pay particular attention to proposals that seek to complement (but not duplicate) geographical and thematic priorities for the MacArthur Foundation (for more details, please see www.macfound.org/press/publications/conservation-sustainable-development-program-priorities/)

Deadline:

Wednesday 2 April 2014

Applicants must submit a Letter of Inquiry (LOI) in English or French using the form available at www.birdlife.org/projects/cepf-eam-calls-proposals

LOIs must be submitted electronically to BirdLife International at CEPF-EAM-SGP@birdlife.org. BirdLife will not accept hardcopy LOIs.

You will receive an email acknowledging receipt of your application.

SCOPE OF CALL

This is the sixth of several Calls for Proposals over the investment period of 2012-2017 and as such, is purposefully limited in scope. This call invites applicants to submit Letters of Inquiry **for small grants only in Afromontane Key Biodiversity Areas in the Lake Victoria Basin** focusing on

- **CEPF Strategic Direction 2, Investment Priority 2.2**, and

- **CEPF Strategic Direction 3, Investment Priority 3.3**,

as described in the [Ecosystem Profile](#). We will not accept proposals for other Strategic Directions / Investment Priorities at this stage.

- **Strategic Direction 2.** Improve the protection and management of the KBA network throughout the hotspot.
 - **Investment Priority 2.2** Support the role of civil society organizations **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 terrestrial KBAs, and priority freshwater KBAs.

Under this Investment Priority, we will accept LOIs that will benefit the conservation of the following Key Biodiversity Areas :

Kenya: Masai Mara, Mau Forest complex, Mau-Narok – Molo Grasslands, Mount Elgon (Kenya), South Nandi Forest

Tanzania: Ngorongoro Conservation Area

Rwanda: Mukura (Forest) Reserve, Rugezi Marsh, Volcans National Park

Burundi: Nyamugari

- **Strategic Direction 3.** Initiate and support sustainable financing and related actions for the conservation of priority KBAs and corridors.

- ○ **Investment Priority 3.3** Support training for civil society organizations in fundraising and project management, especially training such organizations at all levels with respect to emerging opportunities for sustainable financing for KBAs in Africa.

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More Information:

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

Ecosystem Profile Summary: [English](#) (PDF - 2.5 MB) / [French](#) (PDF - 2.6 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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- Read the Afromontane **SASA e-bulletins** (in English and French) here: [Nr 1 March 2013](#); [Nr 2 August 2013](#); [Nr 3 January 2014](#); and subscribe to further editions [here](#)

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