



Forest Law Enforcement, Governance
and Trade Support Programme for African,
Caribbean and Pacific Countries



Announcement:

Opportunity for direct assistance to government institutions

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) invites government institutions to submit requests for direct assistance through its Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade Support Programme to African, Caribbean and Pacific Countries (ACP-FLEGT Support Programme).

The ACP-FLEGT Support Programme provides assistance to ACP countries for putting the European Union FLEGT Action Plan into practice, and supports the collection, analysis and dissemination of FLEGT-related information and lessons learned among ACP country stakeholder groups.

As part of the FLEGT Support Programme, ACP government institutions are eligible to submit proposals for direct assistance requests.

Direct assistance requests target immediate needs of limited scope that are identified by government agencies. Requests should address issues related to policy, legislative or regulatory frameworks, information or knowledge availability, or institutional issues that have an impact on the efficient implementation of FLEGT Action Plan elements.

Priority will be given to proposals that:

- contribute to FLEGT initiatives or national forest programmes;
- build local capacity to implement FLEGT-related programmes; or
- address urgent issues associate with forest sector governance reforms.

Direct assistance requests are limited to a maximum of 25 000 EUR.

Detailed guidelines on application and eligibility to submit direct assistance requests are provided on the ACP-FLEGT Support Programme website www.fao.org/forestry/acp-flegt.

Proposals may be submitted electronically or by fax at any time and will be evaluated on a rolling basis.

Electronic submissions should be sent by e-mail to acp-flegt-direct-requests@fao.org. The signature page must be signed, scanned and submitted with the electronic form of the proposal. Completed and signed proposals may be submitted by fax, Attention: ACP-FLEGT Support Programme Manager, at: **+39 06 570 55514**.

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