



**Vi Agroforestry**

## **INVITATION TO SUBMIT EXPRESSION OF INTEREST BY ORGANIZATIONS FOR REGIONAL ADVOCACY PARTNERSHIP WITH Vi AGROFORESTRY DURING 2023-2027 PROGRAMME CYCLE**

### **Introduction**

Vi Agroforestry is a Swedish development organisation working with local communities in fighting poverty and climate change through Agroforestry. The organisation has been working in East Africa since 1983.

Vi Agroforestry partners with local organisations in the region for the realisation of shared vision and ambition towards fighting poverty and climate change for improved livelihoods of smallholder farmers. Together, we offer outstanding expertise in agroforestry, climate change adaptation and mitigation, promoting innovative, well-proven sustainable land management practices based on scientific research in a manner that supports sustainable livelihoods for women and men, taking special consideration for female and male youth.

Currently, Vi Agroforestry is developing a new programme that will guide the organisation's operations during the next strategy period, 2023-2027. The programme will focus on the following key working areas;

- Organisational development – Supporting organisational capacity of member-based farmer organisations
- Food and nutrition security
- Climate change resilience
- Biodiversity conservation
- Sustainable livelihoods
- Sustainable agriculture land management
- Sustainable land management in Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs) including water management
- Sustainable Agriculture and nature-based value chains
- Advocacy actions in related areas
- Innovations for youth in agribusiness

We are also keen on interphase of these working areas with humanitarian and peace building efforts. This nexus is therefore an area of interest for Vi Agroforestry.

The programme and implementation will use a gender transformative approach (GTA) and human rights-based approach to development (HRBA).

The programme will be implemented through partnership with local organisations, who work directly with their members and at the same time through advocacy aimed at influencing policy at various levels.



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## The call:

Vi Agroforestry is seeking to identify local and regional organisations engaged in advocacy work to influence policy within the scope of the working areas highlighted above. Their engagement could be at different levels ; sub-national, national, East Africa, Africa, or global .

The organisation should be based in either Uganda, Kenya, or Tanzania even if the scope of their policy and advocacy work may be beyond the country level.

## How to Apply

If you consider your organisation to be aligned to the working areas listed above and working with policy influence and advocacy;

1. Fill out the partner scanning form attached below.
2. Write a one-pager application for partnership;
  - Explaining the areas of convergence between the working areas, and the advocacy work you are engaged in. Describe the platforms and levels your advocacy work focuses on.

Please submit the two documents by **20<sup>th</sup> May 2022** through e-mail to the emails below :

For Uganda partners: [uganda@viagroforestry.org](mailto:uganda@viagroforestry.org)

For Kenya partners: [applicationsKE@viagroforestry.org](mailto:applicationsKE@viagroforestry.org)

For Tanzania partners: [thaddeus.mbowe@viagroforestry.org](mailto:thaddeus.mbowe@viagroforestry.org)

For Regional organisations ( working beyond individual country level e.g. East Africa, Africa level ) : [regionaladvocacy@viagroforestry.org](mailto:regionaladvocacy@viagroforestry.org)

Indicate the subject of the email as : **'EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR PARTNERSHIP IN ADVOCACY'**

## Next Steps

Shortlisted organisations will be notified by 31st July 2022. If you are not contacted by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022, kindly note that the process will have concluded and considered the application as unsuccessful. We shall keep all applications in our database for consideration when other partnership opportunities arise in future.



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**Potential Partner Scanning form**

<b>Name of Organization</b>		
<b>Vision</b>		
<b>Mission</b>		
1. Type of Organization, ( in what form is your organisation registered? E.g. NGO etc)		
2. Registration Date	Date.....	Reg Number.....
<b>3 Contacts</b>		
3.1 Physical address of the head office		
3.2 Organizational E-mail address		
3.3 Organizational Telephone contacts		
3.4 E-mail address and Telephone contacts for <b>contact operations person</b> (if different)		
3.5 Location of branch offices (if applicable)		
3.6 Organisation website		
3.7 List of Advocacy platforms/ Networks etc that the organisation is part of. ( National, Regional etc)		
<b>4. Membership</b>		
4.1 Total number of affiliated groups/organisations (if applicable)		
4.2 Number of active affiliated groups/organisations (if applicable)		
4.3 Total number of individual membership (if applicable)	Total.....	(Males.....Females.....)
4.4 Active individual members	Total.....	(Males.....Females.....)
4.5 Is Membership free or is it through subscription (if applicable)?		
5. Number of full-time staff (List them and their positions below), add columns	<b>Position</b>	<b>Number</b>



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<b>6. Organisation Board</b>		
6.1 Do you have a functional board?		
6.2 How often does the board meet		
6.3 How is the composition of the board by gender.		
<b>7. Country (ies) of operation</b>		
<b>8. Specific Areas of operation (Regions/ Districts/ Counties)</b> (include specific names where possible)		
<b>9. List your Specific sectors / activities/ interventions / areas of focus</b>		
<b>10. What is your mode of operation</b> (direct implementation, funding other organizations to implement etc)		
<b>11. Existing donor(s) for your projects (list the projects and donors)</b>		
<b>12. Which Financial accounting methods &amp; tools used</b>		
<b>13. Do you have a strategic plan? If so share a copy with the application.</b>		
<b>13. When was the last time your organization was audited?</b>		



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<b>13. b Attach the last year's annual report including audited financial report</b>	
<b>14. List finance, administration &amp; organisational operation guidelines/manuals that you have</b>	