

**University of Nigeria Nsukka**

**African Climate Change Adaptation**

**Initiative (ACCAI-UNN) (UNN/OSF Collaboration)**

**Call For Proposals: Action-Oriented Research on Climate Change Adaptation in Nigeria**

(1) The ACCAI-UNN with the support of the Open Society Foundations (OSF) calls for proposals to conduct action-oriented research at the grassroots (community level) and policy levels (state and federal). The proposals should be in two categories viz. those from experts and scholars and from graduate students in climate change and allied fields on study in Nigerian universities. Proposals are expected to embody action-oriented (practical or leading to practice) and or policy issues. The ACCAI during its first phase activities and engagements has been able to identify thematic areas and issues on which the envisaged research would be anchored. These areas/issues include: agriculture and food security; climate change and water resources; climate change and energy; climate change and health; engineering and technology; climate change adaptation and poverty; and climate change adaptation and infrastructure. The proposals should infer alia address the following questions/concerns: existence and types of climate change adaptation policy/strategies; nature and degree of implementation of policies and strategies; factors/challenges in the process of implementation or adaptation; responsiveness of policy to felt-needs of communities; socio-cultural factors in adaptation; innovative approaches for engaging with local communities in climate change adaptation.

**PROCEDURE**

(a) The study is expected to cover the six ecological zones in Nigeria. Hence, at least one proposal would be funded for each of the zones whether represented by a community or a state.

(b) All proposals should be submitted electronically through: [climate.change@unn.edu.ng](mailto:climate.change@unn.edu.ng)

(c) Each proposal should be accompanied by the bio-sketch of the researcher (s) and in the case of students, evidence of registration and support letter from their supervisors.

(d) The proposals should be accompanied also by a budget not exceeding N1,250,000 for experts/professionals and N1,000,000 for students

(e) The selection would be through a blind review and scoring process by a panel of experts who are not affiliated to or associated with ACCAI. Deadline for the receipt of full applications is **19<sup>th</sup> July 2016**.

(2) ACCAI-UNN is also calling for expression of interest in developing concept notes through scoping studies in the above thematic areas from experts and practitioners in the field

of climate change and the environment. Applicants should submit a one page summary which would be used for selection purposes. Applications funded would be developed into full concept notes of maximum four pages by the applicants and should pinpoint clear research theme/issues that emerge from the note. Accepted concept note summaries would be funded to the tune of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira each. Deadline for submission of expression of interest is **19<sup>th</sup> July 2016**. Expressions of interest should be sent electronically to: [climate.change@unn.edu.ng](mailto:climate.change@unn.edu.ng)

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