



SIERRA LEONE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FUND (SLADF)

CALL FOR CONCEPT NOTES

SLADF is a component of the Smallholder Commercialisation and Agribusiness Development Project (SCADeP). It is charged with providing funding to registered private for-profit agribusinesses and off-taker companies in Sierra Leone.

It held its 1st Call for Concept Notes in April 2017. This has resulted in the award of grants to nine (9) agribusiness firms from the Cocoa, Rice, Oil Palm and Poultry value chains.

This Call is for concept notes for a 2nd round of competition which will lead to the selection of a 2nd set of SLADF grantees

To be eligible for SLADF funding, an Agribusiness or Commodity Off-taker must meet all of the following criteria:

- 1 **Type of legal entity:** Be a privately-owned and controlled registered for-profit company;
- 2 **Outgrower Scheme:** Must have an existing or planned relationship with a significant number of smallholder farmers and / or outgrower groups;
- 3 **Matching Funds:** Must be able to contribute at least half of the total financing required for the agribusiness project for which it is seeking SLADF funding. The matching contribution must be at least 80% in cash and the balance in kind.
Items acceptable as cash and in-kind contributions can be found on the SLADF website (www.sladf-sl.org)
- 4 **Funding Limit:** The maximum amount of funding available from SLADF **per project** is US\$500,000 (US\$ Five Hundred Thousand); there is no minimum grant amount.
- 5 **Location:** Your project must be implemented in Sierra Leone.

Priority will be given to applications from the following **four focus value chains** - Oil Palm, Cocoa, Rice and Poultry; but applications from other value chains will also be considered.

To apply, please go to our website: www.sladf-sl.org to register and download the application form which incorporates guidance notes. Complete the application form and submit by the submission deadline date. **Only applications on the prescribed SLADF application forms will be accepted.**

Deadline for submission of applications: Midnight GMT on Monday 10 September 2018.

Carefully read the guidance notes provided in the application form to help you complete the form.



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In addition, the SLADF Fund Manager will hold one day information sessions to provide more details and answer any clarifications required. The sessions will be held separately in Kenema, Makeni, Bo and Freetown during the week commencing 27 August 2018. More details on the place and time for the information sessions will be communicated via the electronic media in due course. **ALL INTERESTED AGRIBUSINESSES ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.**

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE EMAILED TO: sladf@kpmg.com

