



## Call for Consultant – Advancing Sustainable Livelihoods and Green Entrepreneurship for Women and Youth in Kano State

### Background

Northern Nigeria, particularly Kano State, faces interconnected challenges of economic fragility, youth unemployment, gendered access to opportunity, and the impacts of environmental degradation. Climate change, resource pressure, and limited access to sustainable income-generating avenues have further compounded existing vulnerabilities in both rural and urban communities.

Amid these challenges, the concept of **sustainable livelihoods** and **green entrepreneurship** is gaining traction as a pathway to economic empowerment, environmental protection, and social inclusion—especially for women and youth.

Clean Technology Hub, with support from the **Heinrich Böll Foundation (HBS)**, is implementing a project that seeks to drive localised and inclusive solutions to livelihood fragility through green innovation, sustainable energy entrepreneurship, capacity building, and systemic stakeholder engagement.

This project in Kano State aims to:

- Identify community-based sustainable livelihood needs and opportunities;
- Equip women and youth with the tools to create and grow green businesses;
- Build institutional capacity within civil society and government agencies for effective climate-responsive programming;
- Foster inclusive stakeholder collaboration through structured engagements.



## Position Overview

Clean Technology Hub seeks a highly motivated and knowledgeable **Consultant** to lead the delivery of core aspects of the “**Sustainable Livelihoods and Green Entrepreneurship for Women and Youth in Kano State**” project. The consultant will provide technical, strategic, and implementation support across the following core areas:

- Development of a Sustainable Livelihood Needs Assessment report;
- Stakeholder engagement and coordination during the launch and throughout the project lifecycle.

## Principal Duties and Responsibilities

The consultant will be responsible for:

- **Needs Assessment Development**
  - Conduct field visits, surveys, interviews and stakeholder focus groups to assess gaps in sustainable livelihoods, green job access, and entrepreneurship opportunities in Kano State.
  - Identify sector-specific green economy opportunities for women and youth (e.g., agriculture, energy, waste, eco-friendly manufacturing).
  - Analyse intersectional barriers to access – gender, economic class, location, education – with a focus on practical, implementable solutions.
  - Prepare a comprehensive **Sustainable Livelihoods Needs Assessment Report** (20–30 pages).
- **Stakeholder Engagement**
  - Collaborate with Clean Technology Hub and the HBS team to organise and co-facilitate a **Launch and Stakeholder Engagement Event** to foster multisectoral support and visibility.
  - Engage strategically with state and local government ministries (e.g. Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Commerce, Youth and Women Affairs), traditional and religious leaders, academic institutions, and grassroots actors and security agencies.



## Expected Deliverables

The consultant is expected to deliver the following:

1. **Work Plan and Methodology Document**
  - A 5–8 page plan outlining proposed methodology, timelines, tools, and engagement strategies.
2. **Sustainable Livelihood Needs Assessment Report**
  - A 25–50 page document synthesising data, analysis, gaps, opportunities, and stakeholder perspectives.
3. **Final Project Summary Report**
  - A consolidated, illustrated, and policy-facing summary (10–15 pages) of the report including all findings, feedback, and strategic recommendations.

## Required Competencies

### Research & Data Collection

- Ability to work with quantitative and qualitative data, synthesize findings, and draw actionable insights.
- Skilled in participatory methodologies and community engagement.

### Strategic Thinking & Policy Engagement

- Familiarity with local governance structures and policymaking in Kano State.
- Experience in drafting actionable policy briefs and engaging with public institutions.

### Project Management & Communication

- Excellent planning and coordination skills; able to deliver under tight timelines.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills in English (Hausa and Fulani as added advantage).
- Ability to work collaboratively with a multidisciplinary team.



## Technical Qualifications

- Minimum of a Master's degree in Sustainability, Environmental Science, Economics, Public Policy, Development Studies or related fields.
- At least 5 years of experience in livelihoods development, green economy, or sustainable enterprise work, particularly in Northern Nigeria.
- Demonstrated knowledge of Kano's socio-economic and political context is strongly preferred.
- Previous consultancy or programmatic work involving women and youth empowerment, climate resilience, or decentralised energy solutions is an advantage.

## How to Apply

Interested candidates should submit the following documents to [admin@cleantechnologyhub.org](mailto:admin@cleantechnologyhub.org) (cc [k.kolawole@cleantechnologyhub.org](mailto:k.kolawole@cleantechnologyhub.org)) no later than **30th May 2025**:

- Updated CV (max 3 pages)
- Cover letter highlighting relevant experience and approach to the ToR
- At least one sample of related work (needs assessment, training report, policy brief, etc.)