## **CALL FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS**

1. **BACKGROUND**

The Small Grants Programme (SGP) is a corporate programme of the Global Environment Facility (GEF). It provides support for community-based innovation and empowerment. The SGP provides civil society organisations with technical and financial support in the form of grant funding, to projects supporting biodiversity conservation, climate change mitigation and adaptation, prevention of land degradation, protection of international waters, and reduction of the impact of chemicals and waste, while generating sustainable livelihoods. Since 1992 the GP is implemented by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and currently grant-making in 125 countries promotes community-based innovation, capacity development, and empowerment through sustainable development projects of local civil society organizations with special consideration for indigenous peoples, women and youth.

The SGP Fiji Programme invites Fiji-based civil society organisations (CSOs) including community-based groups (CBOs), academia and eligible groups involved in implementing viable community-based projects to apply for grants under the 4 strategic initiatives of SGP in OP6 ;

* Community Landscape/Seascape Biodiversity Conservation
* Climate-Smart Agriculture
* Climate Change Adaptation / Mitigation
* Energy Access co-benefits

1. **ELIGIBLE ORGANISATIONS**

Any civil society organization / community based group registered as a non‐profit by a Government Ministry or by the Local Government Authority. Also eligible to apply are local government entities **on the condition** that the project is for the benefit of a target community and that the said community has participated meaningfully in planning and consultations leading up to the Concept development. Furthermore where there is substantial co-financing by the local government unit reflected in the budget. Hotelassociations are also encouraged to apply for potential partnerships and as grantee groups.Business associations for non-profit projects and with high co-financing opportunities, academic and research institutions with community targeted projects are similarly encouraged to apply.

1. **APPLICATION PACKAGE**

<https://sgp.undp.org/index.php?country=49&option=com_countrypages&view=countrypage&Itemid=271>

Please click the link above to download **a Concept Form** for completion. Also on the same link are 2 documents; **Concept Guidance Form** will guide you whilst completing the Concept Form andthe **OP6 Fiji** **Country Programme Strategy (CPS) document** which provides detailed information on the grant making targets for SGP Fiji in Operational Phase 6.

**Please submit all completed Concept Forms and any supporting documents by email to** [**gefsgpfiji@gmail.com**](mailto:gefsgpfiji@gmail.com) **OR Postal mail addressed to; SGP OP6 Concept, c/- UNDP Pacific Office in Fiji, Private Mail Bag, GPO, Suva.**

If you wish to pick up a Concept Form, please visit us at Level 6 – Kadavu House, 414 Victoria Parade, Suva. For any general enquiries related to this Call for Proposals, please contact the SGP team on **Telephone: (679) 3557-504 (Weekdays: 8.00am – 5.30pm).**

1. **Deadline for submissions: March 27th 2017.**