



**CONSULTATION FOR TECHNICAL SUPPORT FOR THE PREPARATION
AND PRESENTATION OF THE PROJECT FORHOMÉ “*TRANSFORMING
FOREST MANAGEMENT TO DEVELOP BUSINESS MODELS FOR
CIRCULAR BIOECONOMY AND WELLBEING BETWEEN MOUNTAIN
AREAS AND BIOCITIES*”
– HORIZON-CL6-2021-CIRCBIO-01-01**

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Deadline for the receipt of the offers

09/07/2021 at 14:00

Regulations of the Consultation

Article 1: Purpose and scope of the consultation

1.1 - Purpose of the consultation

The present consultation concerns the realization of a support service for the preparation and the presentation to the European call for projects HORIZON EUROPE HORIZON-CL6-2021-CircBio-01-01 of the project FROM FOREST TO HOME (FORHOME): Transforming forest management to develop business models for circular bioeconomy and wellbeing between mountain areas and biocities.

1.2 - Conditions of participation of competitors

The offer can be presented by a single company or by a groupment of companies.

Article 2: Conditions of the consultation

2.1 - Duration of the contract – Timeframe

The duration of contract is set from 09/07/2021 to 31/10/2021 and may be modified by agreement between the contracting authority and the selected contractor(s).

2.2 - Period of validity of tenders

The period of validity of the tenders is set at 10 days from the deadline for receipt of tenders.

2.4 - Financing arrangements

The financing of the contracting of the above-mentioned service will be assumed by FORESPIR (contracting authority, in charge of the competition), by the Centre de Ciència i Tecnologia Forestal de Catalunya and the Communauté de Travail des Pyrénées in equal parts. The invoicing modalities will be defined in the contract that will be established between the parties (Consortium of the three above-mentioned partners and the selected company).

Article 3: Content of the consultation file

In accordance with FORESPIR's internal purchasing rules, and since the expected amount of the service is between 15 000 € HT and 50 000 € HT, the simplified consultation file (DCS) contains the following documents

- The Regulations of the Consultation (R.C.)
- The Terms and conditions of special technical specifications (C.C.T.P.)

The simplified consultation file is available at the following electronic address:
<https://www.forespir.com/bidding>

The candidates can also ask for the transmission of the simplified consultation file by email (request to be formulated at sebastien.chauvin@forespir.com).

Article 4 : Submission of applications and tenders

Competitors' bids must be written entirely in English and expressed in EURO.

If competitors' bids are in another language, they must be accompanied by a certified translation into English of all the documents submitted in the bid.

4.1 - Documents to be provided

Each applicant will have to produce :

- ✓ a document stating its references in terms of support for the preparation and presentation of projects for the same type of calls,
- ✓ a schedule of tasks to be implemented that is consistent with the deadlines for submission of the call HORIZON-CL6-2021-CIRCBIO-01-01
- ✓ a complete costed estimate accompanied by the Terms and conditions of special technical specifications (C.C.T.P.) to be accepted without any modification, dated and signed.

These documents must be sent electronically to the following address:
sebastien.chauvin@forespir.com

Article 5 : Selection of applications and analysis of tenders

In accordance with FORESPIR's internal purchasing rules, the applications will be analyzed and ranked by the Direction of FORESPIR and validated by the President before the contract is concluded.

The award of the contract shall be notified to the successful bidder by electronic means with acknowledgement of receipt, by the President or his representative.

Article 6: Additional Information

To obtain any additional information they may need during their study, candidates should send a request to: sebastien.chauvin@forespir.com



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**Terms and conditions of special technical
specifications**

1- CONTEXT

A vast geomorphological complex of 38,411 km², the Pyrenean mountains extend over 390 km, straddling France, Spain and Andorra, from the Atlantic Ocean to the west and the Mediterranean to the east. The relief, the various exposures, and the radically opposed influences between the Atlantic and the Mediterranean, as well as the diversity of the geological substrates, lead to very varied stationary conditions, resulting in a strong forest diversity. This forest is omnipresent and covers nearly 60% of the Pyrenees surface.

There is a strong link between this massif and a whole group of medium and large cities (including metropolises) that border the Pyrenees (Barcelona, Toulouse, Carcassonne, Perpignan, Girona, Lleida, Huesca, Saragossa, Pamplona, Vitoria, St. Sebastian, BAB, Pau, Tarbes, Saint Gaudens, Foix...). This attachment, both heritage and cultural, is valued in a wide range of economic sectors, primarily tourism and agri-food (cheeses, bottled water, milk, chocolates, trout ...). The promotion of "quality" products from a more or less extensive agriculture is widely used, giving the Pyrenees a "natural", "preserved", even "wild" image.

Among the renewable natural resources that are found in quantity in the massif, there is also wood, which comes from a multifunctional and sustainable forest management.

Few know that forest management that generates wood to be used in construction or interior design for example, also allows to maintain landscapes resilient to climatic or natural disturbances, promotes tourism, biodiversity, water quality, sequestration and storage of CO₂ ... and to provide countless services to human society.

However, the availability of this resource in the massif, the increase in the demand for wood products, the geographical proximity with these consumption poles which are more and more demanding of short circuit productions, and the guarantees of sustainable management do not generate a systematic use of this bio-resource. Worse, many Pyrenean woods suffer from an image of lower quality whereas studies and tests show that they are similar to other woods from other mountain ranges.

2- OBJECTIVES

The objective of the FORHOME project "from forest to home" is to promote the transition to an economic model based on the efficient use of renewable and local biological resources to create products with higher added value, improving the competitiveness and sustainability of the sectors involved, through the creation of quality green jobs and knowledge generation as a driving force. In this context, the project aims to transform forest management to develop business models that promote the circular bioeconomy and welfare between Pyrenean mountain areas and a whole network of biocities attached to this massif.

In concrete terms, we want to implement new solutions and new models of circular bioeconomy "forest-wood" innovative in the Pyrenean bioregion.

The outlets of sustainable forest management are multiple in terms of wood production: construction, furniture, energy, paper pulp, green chemistry, all of which present real advantages in terms of circularity.

The partners of the project wish to contribute to the removal of the blockages that prevent a stronger use of a renewable bio resource (wood) in construction and development projects, by creating a stronger link between urban areas and the Pyrenean forest:

- By designing 5 business models based on value chains maximizing the "wood" outlets with the highest added value
- By deploying these business models in 5 concrete demonstration projects in the Pyrenean territories, from the Pyrenean forest to the biocities
- By evaluating the well-being generated by the use of wood (wood wellbeing) and provided by resilient forest landscapes (forest wellbeing).
- Evaluating the costs, benefits and impacts (on territories, environments and ecosystem services) of the business models identified on the basis of demonstration projects.
- By generating replicable and transferable achievements and results to other sectors and other bioregions

3- EXPECTED SERVICE

The purpose of this consultation is the contracting by the consortium FORESPIR, Centre de Ciència i Tecnologia Forestal de Catalunya and the Communauté de Travail des Pyrénées of specialized consultancy services in the field of project financing for the preparation and presentation of a HORIZON EUROPE application for the implementation of new solutions and new models of innovative "forest-wood" circular bioeconomy in the Pyrenean bioregion.

The service includes all activities related to the presentation of a project application to the European call for projects HORIZON EUROPE HORIZON-CL6-2021-CIRCBIO-01-01 in particular:

- Support in the framing of the initial idea
- Advice on the adequacy of the ideas proposed by the consortium to the expectations of the program that is the subject of the call
- Carrying out all administrative and legal aspects related to the preparation of the application and its submission,,
- Preparation of the budgets,
- Technical, administrative and financial coordination with the different partners involved,
- Search for partners in agreement with the consortium,
- Drafting of the contents and completion of the application form (administrative and technical documentation)
- Presentation/submission to the corresponding organization,
- Follow-up of the application,
- Correction of any requests that may be made by the funding agency in the process of appraising the submitted projects.

As this is a call for European grants, it is expressly requested that the documentation, which must be in English, be provided in English when the application is processed by the managing agency of the funding body.

The definition of the precise content of the project, the activities and the roles of the people involved, will be defined in agreement with the consortium FORESPIR, Centre de Ciència i Tecnologia Forestal de Catalunya and the Communauté de Travail des Pyrénées and the partners of the project and in any case respecting the provisions and priorities of the call HORIZON EUROPE.

A flexible and adaptable service to the needs of the consortium is expected for the optimization of resources in the preparation and presentation of the application.

Service must include participation in weekly internal governance/coordination meetings as well as technical meetings.

4- DELIVERY TIME and RESULTS

The consortium FORESPIR, Centre de Ciència i Tecnologia Forestal de Catalunya and the Communauté de Travail des Pyrénées will provide the selected bidder(s) with all the information available to facilitate the execution of the contract.

The necessary meetings will be organized (videoconferences and, if necessary, in person).

The successful bidder agrees to:

- Present a schedule of tasks to be implemented that is consistent with the deadlines for submission of the HORIZON-CL6-2021-CIRCBIO-01-01 call for projects.
- An obligation of means, i.e. an obligation whereby the bidder(s) must make their best efforts to achieve the objective.
- An obligation of result, i.e. an obligation whereby the bidder(s) must achieve the objective of submitting the project to the HORIZON-CL6-2021-CIRCBIO-01-01 call for projects within the allotted timeframe.

5- METHODS OF RESPONSE

The deadline for receipt of bids is **09/07/2021 - 2:00 PM**.

Bids proposed in response to this specification must be submitted electronically to sebastien.chauvin@forespir.com

Refer to the Regulations of the Consultation, part of this Simplified Consultation Document.

Following the analysis of the proposals received, the client has the possibility of requesting additional information and/or discussing the proposed rates for all or part of the services.