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ARTISANAL MINING AND PROPERTY RIGHTS (AMPR) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO MISSIONS

The Artisanal Mining and Property Rights (AMPR) program—managed by the E3/Land and Urban Office (LU)—is USAID’s flagship project for addressing complex development challenges in the artisanal and small-scale mining (ASM) sector. The program has a primary focus on diamonds in the Central African Republic, but is designed to provide on-demand short-term technical assistance to any USAID Mission and Operating Unit (OU) on development challenges associated with ASM. An objective of AMPR is to **improve USAID programming through increased understanding of the linkages between artisanal and small scale mining and key development issues.**

OVERVIEW

AMPR is a Task Order under the Strengthening Tenure and Resource Rights II IDIQ, centrally managed by E3’s Land and Urban Office in Washington.

The purpose of the project is to address land and resource governance and social cohesion challenges in the ASM sector, using a multidisciplinary approach and incorporating appropriate evidence and tools. This Task Order will support on-the-ground development programming primarily in the diamond sector, but will also explore how to contribute to the formalization of the gold sector in southwestern CAR. In addition, any interested USAID Mission or Operating Unit can buy into AMPR for technical assistance services related to the link between ASM and a broad range of development issues, regardless of geography or mineral commodity.

Depending on the nature of the activity and the link to ASM, AMPR can be used to support several strategic USG foreign assistance initiatives and earmarks, including:

- Democracy and Rule of Law
- Women’s Empowerment
- Food Security
- Conflict Mitigation and Management
- Economic Growth
- Biodiversity and Natural Resource Management
- Global Climate Change

Key Contract Facts

- Ceiling: **\$9.9 Million**
- Period of Performance: **September 2018 – September 2021 (plus 2 option years to September 2023)**
- Available for Mission Buy-in: **Yes**
- Competitive procurement required for new activities: **No**

TECHNICAL SERVICES & ILLUSTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

AMPR can provide a suite of technical services through assessments and diagnostics, outreach, and on-call technical assistance, drawing upon the Land and Urban Office’s more than 10 years of experience with ASM projects and applied field-based research. Artisanal and small-scale mining intersects with many other development issues, such as: land and resource governance, resource conflicts, combating violent extremism, pastoralism, sustainable economic growth, responsible investing, and women’s empowerment. This Task Order can help USAID OUs better understand those linkages in order to achieve greater development results.

Illustrative services include:

- On-demand assessments and diagnostics of ASM sector needs and opportunities
- Preparation of background applied research and outreach documents on ASM issues
- On-call technical assistance associated with ASM programming
- Analysis on the intersection of ASM with other sectors

THE AMPR TEAM

The AMPR consortium is led by Tetra Tech and has two partners with deep and complementary experience with ASM and the link to land and resource governance.

AMPR CONSORTIUM		
TETRA TECH	Tetra Tech provides technical and managerial leadership across all AMPR objectives and activities. Tetra Tech’s experience with ASM includes implementing USAID’s previous ASM flagship projects, the Property Rights and Artisanal Diamond Development (PRADD) project I (2007-2013) and II (2013-2018), and the Capacity Building for Responsible Minerals Trade project (2014-2018).	Prime
RESOLVE	RESOLVE supports conflict resolution for conflicts related to natural resources, the environment, and public health by fostering collaborative decision-making processes, facilitating policy dialogue, and mediating site-specific disputes.	Sub
INTERNATIONAL PEACE INFORMATION SERVICE (IPIS)	IPIS is an independent research institute that provides tailored information, analysis, and capacity building in support of durable peace, sustainable development, and human rights. IPIS focuses on field-based research with a thematic focus on natural resources, conflict motives of armed actors, as well as business and human rights.	Sub

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