



## Accessing ICF's Team through the USAID Climate Integration Support Facility (CISF)

ICF is a holder of the Climate Integration Support Facility (CISF) Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA, contract AID-OAA-E-17-00009), which may be used by USAID Washington and Missions worldwide to provide support in integrating climate change adaptation and mitigation across USAID programming. Like other BPAs established through GSA schedules, this mechanism offers a simplified contract vehicle to quickly procure support through streamlined competition of purchase orders. The statement of work is broad, and includes Support for Missions and Bureaus; Capacity Building, Communications, and Knowledge Management; and Thought Leadership. In addition to implementing climate risk management (CRM), the mechanism may be used to support adaptation, clean energy, and sustainable landscapes programming.

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### The ICF Team

The ICF Team has the world-class sectoral and wide-ranging international expertise to provide exceptional support to USAID in fulfilling its commitment to integrate climate change into the fabric of its planning and operations. Our team has an in-depth understanding of each of the sectors in which USAID works.

The team combines the forces of **ICF** and **Tetra Tech**—two of the most widely recognized firms in international climate risk management and mitigation, along with:

- **The National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR)**—an international leader in climate science and its application in developing countries around the world
- **The Playa Group**—a small business whose president, Duane Muller, designed USAID's original climate change capacity-building approaches, and
- **ECODIT**—a small business with capabilities in climate risk assessment and capacity building.

Our team provides an unrivaled level of responsiveness and expertise to USAID's rapidly emerging needs.

## The ICF Team provides unparalleled understanding of:

- USAID's development programming
- Climate science; climate risk screening, assessment, and management; MRV; clean energy; and mitigation
- Climate integration approaches that can meet the needs of Missions and Bureaus from day one
- Regional and national context
- All major USAID program sectors
- USAID's Gender Equality and Female Empowerment policy and relevant integration tools and approaches



Across all three tasks of the scope of work, the ICF Team understands the complexities and opportunities of climate integration, as well as how to make it straightforward and aligned with the interests of development practitioners. We can provide uniquely cost-effective support by virtue of our ongoing work supporting USAID's climate risk screening, climate risk management, and mitigation.

**Task 1: Support for Missions and Bureaus:** Providing in-person and remote facilitation and technical assistance to USAID field missions and pillar and regional bureaus for climate risk management and other climate change efforts. This can include assessments and analyses to inform climate risk management and integration of climate change in the design and implementation of USAID programming as well as focused adaptation and mitigation programming.

**Task 2: Capacity Building, Communications, and Knowledge Management:** Producing country-, regional-, and program-level climate change risk profiles and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions fact sheets; training development and delivery; capacity building; communications products; and knowledge management to support climate risk management and climate change efforts.

**Task 3: Learning and Thought Leadership:** Supporting a robust monitoring, evaluation, and learning agenda that will measure and document results, as well as continuing to build USAID's expertise and connect stakeholders to latest field findings and best practices in climate risk management, climate change integration, and focused adaptation and mitigation programming.

## How to access the BPA

The CISF BPA has a five-year ordering period through May 31, 2022. Purchase Orders (POs) issued under this BPA may be either firm fixed-price (FFP), labor-hour (LH), or time-and-materials (T&M).

To access the CISF BPA:

1. USAID missions, bureaus and offices interested in a PO under the CISF BPA should contact the BPA Contracting Officer Representative (COR), Dr. Rebecca Nicodemus.
2. Once the PO statement of work is approved by the BPA COR, the Purchase Order Contracting Officer (POCO) issues a Request for Quotations to ICF and the other three BPA holders for purchase orders that exceed the simplified acquisition threshold of \$150,000.
3. For orders between the micro-purchase threshold of \$3,500 and the simplified acquisition threshold of \$150,000, the POCO makes the information readily available to ensure fair opportunity for all BPA holders to be considered for each order.
4. For orders under the micro-purchase threshold of \$3,500, the ordering activity can place orders directly with ICF or other BPA holders that meet the agency's needs.

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