SEAP FIT Coalition CfP - Assessment Scoring Metric

	Criteria	Guidance for Applicants
Project Impact and Resilience	**Project Innovativeness** First-of-its-kind	Project should provide a clear, detailed, and feasible case as to how it brings a unique overall approach to carrying out high-integrity nature-based projects through the use of innovative approaches, technologies or business models in the forestry sector, including digital technologies; biological technologies; process, product and/or social innovations; Nature-based Solutions (NbS); and/or forest certification schemes. Relevant information can be found in the Regional Forest Finance Report.
	Delivering Nature Positive Impacts to Biodiversity, in terms of species and ecosystems Does this project deliver nature positive impacts?	The project should demonstrate how it positively contributes to delivering Nature Positive Impacts to Biodiversity, beyond mitigating threats to biodiversity and invasive species towards measurable Nature Positive outcomes, and increase biodiversity ambition. This could be through the implementation of relevant frameworks and standards, including IUCN RHINO, STAR, RLTS, RLE, NbS, FLR, ROAM, GISD etc. May wish to follow IUCN RHINO approach and/or submit other reports/ resources that gives clear quantification of biodiversity outcomes.
	Delivering Climate Impacts to GHG potentially leveraging on VCM Does this project contribute to climate ambition and carbon markets?	The project should demonstrate how it positively contributes to climate mitigation and/or adaptation beyond reducing and/or avoiding emissions (e.g., through building local resilience and adaptive capacity to climate-related hazards), and increase climate ambition. May wish to use tools like EX-ACT | Economic and Policy Analysis of Climate Change. Offers relevant project details on GHG estimates, baselines calculation, carbon standard and methodology, MRV, etc.). May wish to submit other reports/ resources that give clear quantification of GHG outcomes.
	Social inclusion, gender equality and benefit-sharing Does this project contribute to advancing social inclusion, gender equality and benefit sharing?	The project should demonstrate how it positively contributes to advancing social inclusion, gender equality and benefit sharing (e.g. stakeholder engagement, benefit sharing plan and arrangements, women empowerment, etc). This could be through the implementation of relevant principles from World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework (ESF), IFC's PS6, WB's ESS6, IUCN ESMS standard, and/or applicable international standards.

	Environmental and social safeguards Does this project implement environmental and social safeguards?	The project should demonstrate how it positively contributes to advancing environmental and social safeguards. This could be through the implementation of relevant principles from World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework (ESF), IFC's PS6, WB's ESS6, IUCN ESMS standard and/or applicable international standards.
Project Investment Readiness	**Project Stage** Current stage of the proposed project	The project should demonstrate that it has been implemented and is ready to scale, with an operational revenue and/or offtaker agreement. All permits have been obtained.
	Current Financing How is the project financed today?	The project should demonstrate that it is a recipient of public, philanthropic and/or private investment, and is able to generate operational revenue from various sources, including long-term offtaker agreement.
	Funding Secured What is the scale of income or funding the project has already received to date?	The project should demonstrate its track record in generating revenue from its business model and attracting funding from grants, government support and/or private investment.
	Long-term Business Model What is the commercial viability of this project?	The project's long-term business model should be commercially viable with diversified revenue sources, including carbon revenues and commercial revenues, supported by relevant financial details to assess the commercial viability of project's revenues.
	Potential Scalability for Critical Forest Biome Country Projects What is the potential of attracting investments and scale-up for CFB Country Projects?	The project should demonstrate its potential of attracting investments and scaling-up for existing and potential Critical Forest Biome country projects, aligned with NDCs, NBSAPs, NAPs, and GEF-supported country child projects, where applicable.