

Nature-Based Solutions for Agricultural Resilience (NBS4Ag)

An initiative under the USAID Climate Finance for Development Accelerator

Overview

Under the Nature-Based Solutions for Agricultural Resilience Window (NBS4Ag), USAID CFDA will partner with the private sector to pilot or scale innovative models for financing both sustainable agriculture and biodiversity conservation in the countries where USAID works. CFDA envisions partnering (1) directly with corporate partners whose agricultural supply chains extend to markets where USAID works; and (2) indirectly with corporate partners through intermediaries that are supporting the financing or implementation of aligned projects or technologies.



USAID Expertise: Partners can leverage USAID's global expertise in biodiversity conservation and agricultural projects, networks, and convening power.



5X Financing: USAID anticipates that its support will lead to a 5X increase in funding mobilized for climate- and nature-positive agriculture.



Innovative Models: Partnerships under this initiative will test promising products, approaches, etc. that can be replicated and scaled.

GRANTS

Awards of \$500,000

CFDA anticipates issuing three or more grant awards at USD \$500,000 each. Outstanding, impact-driven, scalable, multi-stakeholder concepts may be considered for funding of USD \$1 million or more (except those from U.S. based partners).

SCOPE

Countries where USAID works

CFDA will prioritize concepts in countries where USAID operates with geographies/landscapes under threat of biodiversity loss. Preference will be given to concepts that align with U.S. Government Feed the Future countries and USAID biodiversity conservation priority countries and regions; a list can be found in the addendum.