



## Designing and Implementing Economic Diversification Strategies for Climate-Resilient and Sustainable Development in Nigeria: Lessons, Opportunities and Pathways for a Just Transition

### ***1. Name of proposing Party or organization.***

Stevenson Holistic Care Foundation

### ***2. Brief description of the proposed study:***

Nigeria's economy has historically relied heavily on oil and gas revenues, making the country vulnerable to fluctuations in global commodity prices, fiscal pressures, unemployment and other economic shocks. At the same time, Nigeria has considerable opportunities to build a more diversified and resilient economy through agriculture, renewable energy, manufacturing, digital services, the blue economy, tourism, waste management and other emerging sectors. This proposed case study will examine the design and implementation of economic diversification strategies in Nigeria, focusing on what has been achieved, the challenges encountered, and the lessons that can inform more effective and sustainable approaches. The study will particularly consider how economic diversification can contribute to climate resilience, sustainable livelihoods, inclusive growth and a just transition, while reducing vulnerability associated with dependence on fossil-fuel revenues. The study will review relevant National and Subnational policies, programmes and initiatives and examine how these strategies have translated into practical action. It will explore the roles of government institutions, private-sector actors, development partners, civil society, communities and other stakeholders in advancing economic diversification. Particular attention will be given to the enabling conditions required for successful implementation, including access to finance, infrastructure, skills development, technology, institutional coordination, policy coherence and private-sector investment. A key feature of the study will be to identify practical experiences and lessons from selected sectors or initiatives in Nigeria that demonstrate both progress and continuing challenges. Through desk research, stakeholder consultations and key-informant interviews, the study will seek to understand what has worked, what has not worked, and the reasons behind these outcomes. The research will also consider whether diversification efforts adequately address the needs of women, young people,



vulnerable communities and populations whose livelihoods are affected by climate change and economic transition. The study will conclude with practical recommendations for strengthening Nigeria's economic diversification efforts and making them more inclusive, climate-resilient and sustainable. It will highlight opportunities for stronger collaboration between government, business, communities and development partners, as well as potential approaches to mobilizing domestic, private and climate finance. Ultimately, the case study will provide an evidence-based and people-centered account of Nigeria's experience with economic diversification, generating practical lessons that can support policymakers and stakeholders in Nigeria and contribute to the wider KCI learning agenda on designing and implementing effective economic diversification strategies in developing countries.

***3. United Nations region to be covered by the case study:***

Africa;

***4. Country or countries to be covered by the case study***

Nigeria

***5. Area of the case study:***

The design and implementation of economic diversification strategies ;

***6. Expected duration for completion of the case study (in months):***

12 Months

***7. Contribution of the submitting organization***

Technical inputs;Data;Authorship;Financial contribution;

***8. Can the study be developed without financial support from the UNFCCC?***

No

***9. If no, please provide the estimated range of required financial support in USD (Please note that the UNFCCC is not a donor organization and has limited funding):***

22000



*10. Please provide the status of any preliminary work undertaken that could serve as a basis for the study, including a link to any available reports, if available.*

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