

BURUNDI TRANSPORT RESILIENCE PROJECT (PRT)

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

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(CONSULTING SERVICES) SELECTION OF FIRMS/CABINETS**

Country: Republic of Burundi

Project Name: Transport Resilience Project (TRP)

Grant Number: IDA No. E2980 -BI

Project No.: P172988

Mission Title: Recruitment of a design office for the design and implementation of strategic planning tools for the transport system in Burundi

Reference No. (according to the Procurement Plan in STEP): BI-MIELS-PIU-478901-CS-QCBS

The Government of the Republic of Burundi has obtained a grant of one hundred and twenty million US dollars (USD 120,000,000) from the World Bank to finance the activities of the Burundi Transport Resilience Project (PRT-P172988).

It is planned that part of the resources from this financing will be used to ensure the payment of the services of a Design Office (Firm) for the design and implementation of strategic planning tools for the transport system in Burundi.

The main objective of the Consultant's mission is to provide the institutions responsible for managing the Burundian transport sector with a strategic planning framework to sustainably support the development of infrastructure and the modernization of transport logistics in line with the National Development Plan (NDP). The solutions to be proposed by the consultant must sufficiently integrate resilience to climate hazards and the reduction of carbon and greenhouse gas emissions.

- i. The consulting services ("the Services") include:
- The start-up and orientation phase;
 - ii. The phase of setting up tools to support strategic planning for the transport sector;
 - iii. The sector diagnostic phase;
 - iv. The phase of developing 20-year sector strategies (2028-2047);
 - v. The phase of defining a program for sustainable development and strengthening of human and institutional capacities in the transport sector;
 - vi. The phase of preparing a Priority Investment Program (PIP) consistent with the PND;
 - vii. The final phase of consolidating the results of the mission.

The maximum duration of the mission is twelve (12) months and the detailed Terms of Reference (TORs) of the mission can be obtained at the address indicated below.

The Transportation Resilience Project (TRP) is now inviting eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to express their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants must provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services (brief presentation of their firms, references concerning the execution of similar contracts, experience in similar conditions, copies of contracts already executed, etc.).

The criteria for selecting a shortlist are as follows:

- Have completed at least two similar missions over the last ten (10) years, including at least one in French-speaking Africa;
- Be affiliated with a renowned international transport federation or organization (IRF, PIARC, etc.);
- Be familiar with the working environment in sub-Saharan Africa under donor funding (World Bank, AfDB, EU, AFD, IDB, etc.).

To be selected, the Consultant must demonstrate the experience specified above as well as the amount of income received for the missions carried out. This amount must be at least USD 600,000. The supporting documents required for this purpose are the data from the following contracts:

- i. First page + signature page + last page of the Contracts;
- ii. Certificates of successful completion or other documents of receipt of services including the duration of the services, their final cost and the discharge of the Administration, Internet links, etc.

NB: Key experts will not be assessed at the shortlist preparation stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the “Procurement Regulations for Borrowers Requesting Investment Project Financing (IPF) of September 2023” (“Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflicts of interest.

Consultants may partner with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but must clearly indicate whether the association takes the form of a joint venture and/or subcontracting. In the case of a joint venture, all members of the joint venture will be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method, set out in the Procurement Regulations and in accordance with the criteria required under the Terms of Reference for the assignment.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, every working day from Monday to Thursday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (Bujumbura local time, GMT+2).

Expressions of interest written in French must be submitted in writing to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) no later than 13/05/2025 at 4 p.m., Bujumbura time (GMT+2), with the following statement: “Response to the Notice of Request for Expressions of Interest for the Recruitment of a Design Office for the design and implementation of strategic planning tools for the transport system in Burundi”.

To the attention of:

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