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## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)

**Country:** Eastern Africa Region

**Name of Project:** Eastern Africa Regional Statistics Program for Results

**Grant No:** P176371

**Assignment Title:** Individual Consultant (IC) to perform the Consulting Services to Develop Guidelines on Satellite Account (National Accounts) for Health in Africa.

**Reference No.** TN-STATAFRIC - AUC-339201-CS-INDV

The African Union Commission has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Eastern Africa Regional Statistics Program for Results, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include Consulting Service to Develop Guidelines on Satellite Account (National Accounts) for Health in Africa. This assignment will focus on developing a harmonized methodology for Health Statistics starting by an assessment of the status of the production of Health Statistics within AU Member States while taking into consideration key areas of interest before the development of the guidelines and tools, then followed by specific guidelines and listing of both international and continental best practices related to the production of Health Statistics.

### **Specific tasks include:**

This assignment will focus on developing guidelines for establishing and managing Satellite Account (National Accounts) for Health statistics in Africa

1. Review/assessment of the existing international and continental guidelines, frameworks and practices for development of Health Satellite Accounts
2. Identify key gaps/challenges and opportunities in implementing Satellite Accounts for Health Statistics in Africa;
3. Development of comprehensive, practical and standardized guidelines;
4. Organize stakeholders review/validation of the guidelines;
5. To propose an implementation plan for the adoption of the guidelines in AU Member States.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TORs) for the assignment are attached to this request for expressions of interest.



The African Union Commission now invites eligible individuals (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- 1) At least a master’s degree in statistics, economics, or a related field with at least 15 years of professional experience;
- 2) Profound experience in National Accounts and development of Satellite Accounts;
- 3) Demonstrated effective, oral and written communication skills;
- 4) Excellent Analytical and quantitative skills;
- 5) Teamwork: the ability to work in a multicultural environment;
- 6) Proper multitasking abilities and the ability to deliver in a timely manner;
- 7) Excellent drafting ability, especially in the preparation of clear, concise and understandable reports for decision-makers;
- 8) Ability to extract, interpret and analyze data format from a variety of sources;
- 9) Language proficiency in at least one of the AU languages (Arabic, English, French or Portuguese).

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” July 2016, revised November 2020 (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant selection method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *i.e. 0900 to 1700 hours*.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail) by **13 June 2025 before 15:00 Hours Local Time**

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## Terms of Reference

### **Individual Consultant (IC) to perform the Consultancy Services to Develop Guidelines on Satellite Account (National Accounts) for Health in Africa**

#### **1. Introduction**

Over the last decade, African governments have made significant efforts to promote and advocate for Health in the African countries. Despite this Reliable, accurate and comparable data are needed for the formulation, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and impact assessment of effective Health policies and programmes. Thus, strengthening data availability is mandatory for monitoring progress under the topic of Health. In addition, there is a necessity to progressively harmonize Health data and develop common standards, principles and guidelines on Health statistics and indicators.

In 2021, the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the African Union adopted the Second Strategy for the Harmonization of Statistics in Africa (SHaSA II) as a continental strategy for the development of statistics in Africa for Next 10 years, and its action plan, financing plan and resource mobilization strategy. To implement this strategy, 18 Specialized Technical Groups (STGs) were set up. The objective of these STGs is to create a framework for discussions and exchange to accelerate the production and harmonization of statistics in Africa to support the planning, monitoring and evaluation of Agenda 2063 and Agenda 2030. These STGs discuss national practices, international standards, and methodological guides for statistical harmonization in respective fields in Africa.

One of the recommendations by the STG on Demography, Migration, Health, Human Development, Social Protection & Gender is the development and/or adoption of standard methodologies for setting up Health Satellite Account in Africa to strengthen and harmonize Health statistics. Health Satellite Account details all the aspects of demand for goods and services which are associated with Health, by establishing the actual interface with the supply of such goods and services within or outside the economy of reference and describe how this supply (from domestic or imported origin) interacts with other economic activities. The first recommendation on the development of the Health Satellite Account conceptual framework was proposed in 2000 through the Health Satellite Account: Recommended Methodological Framework, a framework that, in the light of International Recommendations for Health Statistics 2008, needs to be updated.



## 2. Objective

The objective of this consultancy is to develop comprehensive guidelines on Satellite Account (National Accounts) for Health statistics in Africa. This guideline will complement the existing concepts, definitions, aggregates and classifications in the international frameworks/ standards/ guidelines for Health Statistics and provide for better comparable estimates across countries, Regional Economic Communities (RECs) and Africa at large. These statistics should also be comparable with other internationally recognized macroeconomic aggregates. The guideline will be a reference document for African countries developing Health Satellite Account and a basis for setting up an integrated Health statistics system for better management and policy development at the national level. In addition, the guideline will enable the African Union Commission to develop a minimum list of indicators for reporting and monitoring the performance of the health sector and a harmonized questionnaire for undertaking health surveys.

## 3. Scope of Work

This assignment will focus on developing guidelines for establishing and managing Satellite Account (National Accounts) for Health statistics in Africa.

### 3.1 Specific Tasks

1. Review/assessment of the existing international and continental guidelines, frameworks and practices for development of Health Satellite Accounts.
2. Identify key gaps/challenges and opportunities in implementing Satellite Accounts for Health Statistics in Africa;
3. Development of comprehensive, practical and standardized guidelines;
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## 4. Deliverables and Timeframe

The Individual Consultant is expected to produce a **draft of the guidelines** within **four months** from the date of assumption of duty. **The first revised version** will be submitted to the AU Member States and the relevant stakeholders from RECs and international organizations for comments and validation. The time schedule for the activities is as follows:

No.	Activity	Deliverables/ Outputs	Anticipated Duration (Days)
1.	Define the consultant's approach to delivering the guideline document.	<b><u>Inception report</u></b> outlining the consultant's approach to undertaking the remaining activities and deliverables.	10 days
2.	Development of the Guidelines document on Health Statistics.	Assessment report and outline of the guideline.	20 days
		Develop a draft of the guideline.	30 days



		Stakeholder's review and validation of the draft guideline.	15 days
		Finalize the guidelines.	15 days
		Debrief meeting with STATAFRIC on the finalized guideline.	15 days
		In person presentation of the guidelines to broader stakeholders group, if needed.	15 days

### 5. Qualifications and Experience

The Individual Consultant must have;

1. At least a master's degree in statistics, economics, or a related field with at least 15 years of professional experience;
2. Profound experience in National Accounts and development of Satellite Accounts;
3. Demonstrated effective, oral and written communication skills;
4. Excellent Analytical and quantitative skills;
5. Teamwork: the ability to work in a multicultural environment;
6. Proper multitasking abilities and the ability to deliver in a timely manner;
7. Excellent drafting ability, especially in the preparation of clear, concise and understandable reports for decision-makers;
8. Ability to extract, interpret and analyze data format from a variety of sources;
9. Language proficiency in at least one of the AU languages (Arabic, English, French or Portuguese).

### 6. Selection criteria

The Candidates will be evaluated based on the criteria provided in job description such as General Education, Qualification and General training; Experience relevant to the Assignment; Methodology and Understanding of the assignment and AU languages.



### 6.1 Evaluation Criteria

<b>Evaluation Criteria</b>
<u>General experience - 10%</u> Use the general experience indicated in the ToR
<u>Specific experience - 40%</u> Use the Specific experience indicated in the ToR
<u>Qualifications – 25 %</u> Use the qualification indicated in the ToR
<u>Methodological note - 15%</u> Understanding of the assignment
<u>Language – 10 %</u>

### 7. Service Term

The Individual Consultant will work remotely and will provide regular updates in accordance with the agreed timeline to STATAFRIC employees (Dr Jose Awong Alene, Ag. Head of Division, Statistics System Coordination and Innovation, and Mr. Adoum Gagoloum, Head of Economic Statistics). The contract is proposed under the following terms and conditions:

- The duration of this contract is **four months**;
- The consultant is expected to send an updated C.V. and a methodological note on the understanding of the assignment.

### 8. Payment schedule

No	Activities and deliverables	Remuneration Percentage
1.	<b>Inception report</b> outlining the consultant's approach to undertaking the activities and deliverables.	10.0%
2.	Assessment report and outline of the guideline	10.0%
3.	Draft guideline document.	40.0%
4.	Review / Validation report.	10.0%
5.	Finalized guideline.	10.0%
6.	Debrief STATAFRIC staff on the finalized guideline.	10.0%
7.	In person presentation of the guidelines document to broader stakeholders group, if needed.	10.0%