

Integrated Community Development Project in Burundi "PRODECI-TURIKUMWE"**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (CONSULTANT SERVICES)**

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**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES)
SELECTION OF FIRMS/CABINETS
Project No.: P 169315
IDA DONATION No. D5620-BI****EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE SELECTION OF AN OFFICE FOR TECHNICAL STUDIES INCLUDING SEPARATE EIES AND MONITORING OF THE CONSTRUCTION WORKS OF THE KIRUHURA I AND KIRUHURA II BRIDGES IN CENDAJURU COMMUNE****STEP Reference: BI-TURIKUMWE PIU-438397-CS-QCBS****Date: 11/22/2024**

1. The Government of the Republic of Burundi has received financing from the World Bank in the amount of 60 million United States Dollars to finance the Integrated Community Development Project in Burundi "PRODECI-TURIKUMWE" and intends to use part of the amount of this Grant to make payments under the following contract: "Technical studies including separate ESIA and supervision of the construction works of the Kiruhura I and Kiruhura II bridges in Cendajuru commune".

2. The consulting services ("the Services") include:

a. For TECHNICAL STUDIES INCLUDING SEPARATE EIA/ESMP STUDIES

- Topographic surveys of the bridge area;
 - Environmental and social assessment and appropriate environmental and social due diligence, i.e. the ESIA with its PGES or PGES and possibly the production of specific Environmental and Social Plans depending on the level of environmental and social risks;
 - Research of materials (involving the National Laboratory of Building and Public Works "LNBTP" for testing);
 - Detailed Preliminary Project;
 - Proposals for the maintenance of the bridges and the surrounding area, particularly downstream and upstream
- ; • Preparation of the call for tenders for the execution of the works;

.b. For the SUPERVISION OF THE CONSTRUCTION WORKS OF THE KIRUHURA I AND KIRUHURA II BRIDGES IN CENDAJURU COMMUNE

The mission consists of providing project management services including supervision and control of rehabilitation/construction works of bridges, monitoring of environmental, social, hygiene and safety measures as well as the fight against GBV on behalf of the CENDAJURU municipality.

The detailed terms of reference for this mission can be obtained at the address indicated below.

3. The PRODECI-TURIKUMWE Project Management Unit is currently inviting eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to express their interest in providing the Services. Interested consultants must provide information demonstrating that they have the qualifications and experience required to perform the services.

The firm sought must have sufficient technical (equipment, materials, personnel, etc.) and financial capacities to carry out the mission.

The criteria for establishing the shortlist are:

For both phases, each Consultant (Firm) sought is a firm specialized in the conduct of technical, environmental and social studies and in the monitoring and control of bridge construction/rehabilitation works. He must have proven experience of at least 10 years in the field and have:

- Have proven experience of at least 10 years in the field:
- General experience: Have carried out at least three (3) technical studies of tracks and bridges including three (3) of EIAs and/or PGES during the last 10 years;
- Specific experience: have successfully carried out at least 2 technical studies and EIAs and/or PGES of bridges during the last 10 years.
- Be an office specialized in the conduct of (i) surveillance missions and control and (ii) environmental and social monitoring with a particular emphasis on the EAS-HS of this type of road infrastructure and bridges.
- Have proven experience of at least 5 years in the road sector and more specifically bridges;
- Have carried out at least two (2) successful missions of surveillance and control of road works and bridge construction during the last 10 years;

NB: Similar missions carried out must be accompanied by proof of completion.

Key experts will not be assessed at the pre-selection stage.

4. 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) dated July 2016, revised in November 2017 and August 2018, November 2020 and September 2023". In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflicts of interest related to this assignment.

Consultants may not be engaged for missions that would be incompatible with their present or past obligations to other clients, or that would risk making it impossible for them to fulfill their mandate in the best interests of the State of Burundi.

Consultants may not be engaged in the following circumstances:

1. No Consultant (including its personnel and subcontractors) or affiliated service provider (which controls it directly or indirectly, which it controls itself or which is placed under common control) may be engaged for a mission which, by its nature, creates a conflict of interest with another of its missions;

2. No Consultant (including its staff and sub-consultants) or affiliated service provider (which controls it directly or indirectly, which it controls itself or which is under common control) may be engaged for a mission which, by its nature, creates a conflict of interest with another of its missions;

3. Consultants (including experts, staff and sub-consultants in their service) who have a close professional or family relationship with any official of the Government of Burundi, the Project Executing Agency, a recipient of a portion of World Bank financing or any other party representing the Government of Burundi or acting on its behalf who participates directly or indirectly in any segment of:

1. the preparation of the Terms of Reference of the mission;

2. the selection process for the contract; or

3. the supervision of the contract, may not be awarded a contract unless the conflict arising from such relationship has been resolved in a manner satisfactory to the Bank throughout the selection process or the execution of the contract.

5. Consulting firms may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but must clearly indicate whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or subcontracting. In the case of a joint venture, all partners in the joint venture will be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

6. A consultant will be selected in accordance with the quality and cost-based selection method (QCBS) set out in the Regulations on Procurement for Borrowers Requesting Financing for Investment Projects (FPI) version of July 2016, revised in November 2017, August 2018, November 2020 and September 2023.

7. Further information may be obtained every working day at the address below from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Bujumbura time) Monday to Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Bujumbura time) on Fridays.

8. Expressions of interest must be delivered in writing to the address below (in person, by post, or by e-mail) before 09/12/2024 at the latest at 10 a.m. with the following information:

"Expression of Interest for the Selection of an Office for "Technical Studies including separate EIES and supervision of the Construction works of Kiruhura I and Kiruhura II bridges in Cendajuru commune"

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