

**EMERGENCY PROJECT ON URBAN RESILIENCE**

**CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

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**MINISTRY OF INFRASTRUCTURE, EQUIPMENT  
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(CONSULTANT SERVICES) SELECTION OF FIRMS/CABINETS

**Country** : Republic of Burundi

**Project Name** : Urban Resilience Emergency Project (PRU)

**Grant Number** : IDA No. E3520

**Project No** : P177146

**Mission Title** : Recruitment of an Office to support IGEBU in the design and implementation of priority investments to improve early warning services in the event of heavy rains and floods in Bujumbura and its surroundings.

**Reference No. (according to the Procurement Plan in STEP)** : BI-MIELS-PIU-470554-CS-QCBS

The Government of the Republic of Burundi has obtained from the World Bank a grant of One Hundred and Thirteen Million United States Dollars (USD 113,000,000) to cover the cost of the activities of the Emergency Project for Urban Resilience (PRU-P177146), and intends to use part of this financing to make payments under the following service contract: "Recruitment of an Office to support IGEBU in the design and implementation of priority investments to improve early warning services in the event of heavy rains and floods in Bujumbura and its surroundings."

The consulting services ("the Services") include:

(a) Development and implementation of a plan to strengthen the technical capacities of IGEBU in the use and interpretation of available and accessible tools, data and information in meteorological and hydrological forecasting, modelling and monitoring, as well as the use and integration of hydrological models and flood risk assessments for Bujumbura, recently developed with the support of the World Bank.

(b) Providing advice and guidance on how best to improve the relevance, timeliness and accessibility of early warning products and services.

(c) Defining an approach that will improve risk monitoring, data processing and forecasting systems by identifying low-regret strategic investments in critical equipment, systems and infrastructure, with a focus on Bujumbura and its surrounding areas.

The duration of the mission is twenty (20) months from the date of signing the contract.

The detailed Terms of Reference (ToRs) for the mission can be obtained at the address indicated below.

The Urban Resilience Emergency Project (URP) now invites eligible Firms ("Consultants") to express their interest in providing the services described above.

Interested Consultants must provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience for the performance of the Services (brief presentation of their firms, references concerning the performance of similar contracts, experience in similar conditions, copies of contracts already completed, etc.).

The criteria for establishing the shortlist are:

- Justify Have at least 15 years of general experience;
- Have completed at least four (4) similar relevant missions in technical assistance/or early warning strategy development of the same magnitude;
- Have completed at least two (2) similar relevant missions in sub-Saharan Africa;
- Justify the technical, human and material capacities necessary to carry out the mission.

**Key experts will not be assessed at this 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 associate 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 partners in 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 in the Terms of Reference of the mission.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, each working day from 08:00 to 12:00 and from 13:00 to 17:00 (local time).

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 04/03/2025 at 4:00 p.m., Bujumbura time (GMT+2) with the following reference: “Response to the Notice of Request for Expressions of Interest for the Recruitment of an Office to support IGEBU in the design and implementation of priority investments to improve early warning services in the event of heavy rains and floods in Bujumbura and its surroundings”.

**Attention** : Mr. Coordinator of UGP PRT & PRU

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