



MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR WATER AND SANITATION

HORN OF AFRICA GROUND WATER FOR RESILIENCE PROJECT (HOAGW4RP)

Project No.: P174867

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CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (REOI)

FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS (E&S) CAPACITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF A CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT PLAN FOR THE KENYA WATER SECTOR

CONTRACT NO.: KE-MOWI-441576-CS-CQS

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Horn of Africa Ground Water for Resilience Project (HoAGW4RP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds towards payments under the contract for **CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS (E&S) CAPACITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF A CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT PLAN FOR THE KENYA WATER SECTOR contract No.: KE-MOWI-441576-CS-CQS**
- The objective of the assignment is to conduct an E&S capacity assessment and develop a capacity building plan to strengthen the environmental and social risk management capacity of the water sector in Kenya. The specific objectives are:
 - Undertake an E&S capacity gap and needs assessment of the Ministry of Water Sanitation and Irrigation (MoWSI), and all the implementing agencies of HoAGW4RP project and propose strategic capacity development responses;
 - Develop a comprehensive capacity development plan to enable the Ministry to institutionalize E&S practices in the implementation of HoAGW4RP and all other projects funded by development partners.
- The duration of the consultancy services will be for a period of Six (6) months.
- The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at Ministry's website www.water.go.ke and PPIP portal <https://tenders.go.ke> free of charge.
- The Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation, State Department for Water and Sanitation now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to express 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 short-listing criteria are:
 - Core business.** The firm shall be registered/incorporated as a consulting firm with core business in Capacity Assessment and Development or related fields with proven experience in working with International Organizations.
 - Relevant Experience.** The firm shall demonstrate as having executed and completed at least three (3No) assignments of similar nature and scope in similar operating environments in the last 10 years. Details of similar assignments – Name and address of the client, scope, value and period should be provided in the Expression of Interest.
 - Technical and Managerial capability of the firm.** The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity including relevant equipment, tools, software e.t.c. and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment in the submitted company profile(s). **Key experts' bio data (CV) will not be evaluated at this stage.**
 - The consultancy firm/ consortium must be licensed by a recognized institution in Kenya such as NEMA. Thus, the firm/ consortium:
 - Must be eligible and possess the necessary permits and licenses to undertake this kind of work in Kenya (applicable to foreign firms).
 - must have a good knowledge of Environmental and social safeguards in Kenya
- 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" September 2023 setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
- The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant's Qualification Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.
- Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours between 0900 to 1600 hours from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400Hrs) and public holidays.
- Expression of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person or by mail or by e-mail so as to be received on or before **5th November, 2024 at 1000 hours Local Time**. For expressions of interest that will be deposited at the Tender Box on Ground Floor, Maji House, Ngong Road, Nairobi, the packages should be clearly marked **"CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS (E&S) CAPACITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF A CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT PLAN FOR THE KENYA WATER SECTOR contract No.: KE-MOWI-441576-CS-CQS"** addressed to:

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