

#### MINISTRY OF EDUCATION



### STATE DEPARTMENT FOR TECHNICAL, VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

# EAST AFRICA SKILLS FOR TRANSFORMATION AND REGIONAL INTEGRATION PROJECT (EASTRIP)

# REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRM SELECTION)

## CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO CONDUCT SKILLS MAPPING FOR EASTRIP SKILL AREAS

| Financing Agreement reference: | 63340-KE                |
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| Project ID No.:                | P-163399                |
| REFERENCE NO:                  | KE-MOE-K-403047-CS-QCBS |

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards meeting the cost of implementing the East Africa Skills for Transformation and Regional Integration Project (EASTRIP) in Kenya through the Ministry of Education (MoE). The project, whose project development objectives (PDO) are to increase access, improve the quality of TVET programs in selected Regional Flagship TVET Institutes and to support Regional Integration in EAST Africa is being implemented at Kenya Coast National Polytechnic, Meru National Polytechnic, KenGen GTC and Kenya Institute for Highway & Building Technology. The Ministry intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services for Technical Assistance to conduct skills mapping for East Africa Skills for Transformation and Regional Integration Project Skill arears.

The primary task of this assignment will be to carry out skills mapping to understand the skills available, skills gaps and mismatches of TVET graduates from Regional Flagship TVET Institutions in Kenya in order to determine future skills demand.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.education.go.ke .

The Ministry of Education - State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training now invites eligible consulting firms ("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. To be shortlisted, The Consultants must meet the following requirements:

- a) Eligibility and legal documents (Certificate of Incorporation/Registration, valid business permit, Tax Compliance certificate and power of Attorney for the firm; in case of joint venture, the power of Attorney must be authorized by the parties to the JV. For foreign firms they should provide the mentioned documents from their country's that are equivalent.
- b) Minimum 8 years of working experience in conducting skills mapping (documentary evidence eg contract award or reference letter from the clients, stating scope of services and deliverables).
- c) Demonstrate knowledge of the Kenya TVET and skills context.
- d) The firm shall Prove technical expertise and experience in TVET education research in Kenya.
- e) Evidence of availability of Technical capacity including equipment and personnel to undertake this assignment should be demonstrated in the company profiles (mention areas of expertise). Do not provide CVs of staff.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" Fifth edition (Revised September 2023) ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the World Bank's "Procurement regulations for IPF borrowers, Procurement in Investment project financing for Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services" Fifth edition (Revised September 2023), which is available on the Bank's website at <a href="http://www.worldbank.org/procurement">http://www.worldbank.org/procurement</a>.

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.

A consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Interested consulting firms may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 08.00-17.00 Hours or via email address eastrip@education.go.ke.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 22<sup>nd</sup> October,2024 at 10.30 Hours local time and clearly marked with the Reference No. KE-MOE-K-403047-CS-QCBS -"CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO CONDUCT SKILLS MAPPING FOR EASTRIP SKILL AREAS.

Note: Electronic Bidding will not be permitted.

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