REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

SUBJECT: CONSULTANCY TO CONDUCT VARIOUS FEASIBILITY STUDIES

TENDER REFERENCE NO. 009/S/2015-2016/FONERWA

The Government of Rwanda (GoR) through the Ministry of Natural Resources (MINIRENA) (hereinafter called “Client”), the Accredited entity by the Green Climate Fund (GCF) has received funds from GCF towards the cost of carrying out various feasibility studies. Environment and Climate Change Fund-FONERWA is responsible for executing the studies within the contract which this Request Expression of Interest is being issued.

The Government of Rwanda through the accredited entity, MINIRENA earlier submitted a proposal for funding to the GCF. The funding proposal entitled “Rural Green Economy and Climate Resilient Development Programme - Rwanda” is an integrated programme comprised of four components: (1) affordable, low carbon settlements as growth hubs; (2) climate resilient production of tea; (3) sustainable forest management and watershed management; and (4) knowledge development and transfer.

Studies had been identified to be undertaken as a part of the inception phase of the programme and had been planned to adequately inform and guide successful implementation of the programme. GCF advised that the studies be carried out prior to the comprehensive review of the proposal.

On the basis of this underlying context, the Environment and Climate Change Fund (FONERWA) invites eligible International consultant firms to express their Interests for the following feasibility studies as detailed in the specific Terms of References. This tender/Expression of Interest is split into seven lots as follows:

LOT 1. Conducting Agriculture feasibility study in Gicumbi District
LOT 2. Feasibility studies for two master plans (1. Low carbon climate resilient, peri-urban growth hub at Kaniga, 2. Low carbon climate resilient rural expansion at Kabeza village)

LOT 3. Developing Economic Appraisal (EA) and Financial plan for the proposed low carbon climate resilient growth hubs programme in Gicumbi District

LOT 4. Conducting Gender Analysis

LOT 5. Development of Project Management Plan

LOT 6. Feasibility study for Environmental Social Impact Assessment

LOT 7. Provision of Legal Services to support Rural Green Economy and Climate Resilient Development Programme-Rwanda

Note: Consultant firms expressing interest for all lots shall have comparative advantage and Joint ventures are acceptable. However for consultant to be shortlisted for more than one lot, it shall provide separate personnel/key staff for each lot.

Details of the above various feasibility studies are specified in Terms of References downloadable from FONERWA web-site.

Short listing Criteria

The short listing criteria will focus on; profile of the firm/core business and firm’s establishment, the firm’s eligibility documents, Experience (at least 10 years) in the field, description of similar assignments previously undertaken, summary of the qualification and experience of the key staff that support the work, general understanding of the assignment to be undertaken.

Firms obtaining less than 70 scores will not be shortlisted and will not be issued a Request for proposal.

Application procedure

To apply, please submit your expression of interest and all relevant documents through info@fonerwa.org. Only shortlisted consultants will be invited to submit their technical and financial proposals. Please note that applications will only be accepted if they have been submitted through info@fonerwa.org by established deadline of 13th May 2016 at 5:00 pm (local time).

Additional guidelines

Additional information including: the purpose of the consultancy, objectives, scope of work, Specific areas of service, terms and conditions of service, qualifications and skills can be
found on FONERWA website: www.fonerwa.org. Expression of Interest should mention the study/studies you are applying for.

For more information, you may visit FONERWA website on www.fonerwa.org and for more enquiries please contact us on info@fonerwa.org or telephone (+250) 252580769

Detailed Terms of References for specific studies can be accessed/downloadable from FONERWA website: www.fonerwa.org

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