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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(RELAUNCHING)

(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

Country: Nigeria

Project: West African Power Pool (WAPP) North Core Regional Interconnector Project

Credit N°: IDA-63420-NG

Assignment title: Environmental and health database in the right of way of the North Core Project in Nigeria

Reference N°: NG-PMU-WAPP-NC-222541-CS-CQS

Date: 25 May 2021

The Government of The Federal Republic of Nigeria had received a Loan from the World Bank toward the cost of the North Core Regional Interconnector Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the following consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include the following scope of work:

Scope of Work

- Carry out an environmental and sanitary inventory before starting work.
- Establish a qualitative and quantitative database of the biological (fauna [terrestrial, avian and aquatic] and vegetation [standing trees and herbs]) and physical (water [surface and underground] and soil / land) components affected in the grip of the line route and on the substation site.
- Achieve the health status of the population and health infrastructure in the project area;
- Produce a cartographic database with the geographic coordinates of the locations (sampling sites, animal concentration area, etc.).
- Produce and submit the related report, including appendices.

The estimated level of effort is 13 staff-months. The implementation period is estimated at eleven (11) weeks. The expected start date of assignment is August 2021.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained at the address given below.

Selection method

The WAPP-North Core Project Management Unit (WAPP-NC-PMU) 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.

The shortlisting criteria are:

As part of a Consultation, the WAPP-North core Project intends to engage a national consulting firm or a joint venture of national consulting firms (established by law in the country) at the national level with the experience relevant in similar studies.

He shall have carried out the in-depth environmental baseline with quantified and qualitative data on fauna, flora, public health, soil, water, air, etc. within the framework of at least five (5) Environmental and Social Impacts Assessment (ESIA) of the types of projects considered as similar and which are the projects definitively occupying a corridor or an area of at least 1,000 hectares.

The consultant shall also justify working experience in consulting services under financing of the World Bank and/or the African Development Bank.

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

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” July 2016 revised November 2017 and August 2018 (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment:

Consultants shall not be hired for any assignment that would be in conflict with their prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place them in a position of being unable to carry out the assignment in the best interests of the Borrower. Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, Consultants shall not be hired under the circumstances set forth below:

Consultants (including their experts and other personnel, and sub-consultants), that have a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of the Borrower, or of the project implementing agency, or of a recipient of a part of the Bank’s financing, or any other party representing or acting on behalf of the Borrower, that is directly or indirectly involved in any part of:

- i. the preparation of the TOR for the assignment;
- ii. the selection process for the contract; or
- iii. the supervision of the contract, may not be awarded a contract, unless the conflict stemming from this relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the Bank throughout the selection process and the execution of the contract.

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 Consultant will be recruited in accordance with the **Consultants' Qualifications based Selection (CQS) method** set out in the Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *i.e. 0900 to 1700 hours* by sending Email to: procurement@wappnorthcore.org, copy to info@wappnorthcore.org with the Subject line : **"DATA BASE NG"**.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in an electronic written form to procurement@wappnorthcore.org copy to info@wappnorthcore.org, by **02 July 2021 at 11 00 am, local hour (Abuja - GMT+1)** with the Subject line : **"DATA BASE NG"**.