

## Request for Expression of Interest

**African Development Bank**

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### **SOUK AT-TANMIA/ North Africa Regional department**

1. The African Development Bank is inviting interested consulting firms to indicate their interest in the following Assignment: **Provision of assistance to implement capacity building, coaching and advisory services to beneficiaries of the Souk At-tanmia partnership.**
2. The services to be provided under the Assignment include: **Development, delivery and execution of ideation camps; Delivery of capacity building and training activities for the beneficiaries of Souk At-tanmia; Assistance in the selection process of Souk At-tanmia beneficiaries.**
3. The North Africa Regional department (“ORNA”) invites Consulting Firms to indicate their interest in providing the services described in this document. Interested eligible Consulting Firms or associations of Consulting Firms shall provide information about their qualifications and experience demonstrating their ability to provide the services (documentation, references for similar services, experience in comparable assignments, availability of qualified staff, etc.).
4. The eligibility criteria, the establishment of the short list and the selection procedure shall be in conformity with the Bank's internal rules as described in Presidential Directive N. 02/2012 on the Use of Consultants. Please note that interest expressed by a Consulting Firm does not imply any obligation on the part of the Bank to include it in the shortlist.
5. The estimated duration of the assignment services is: **September 2016 to May 2017**. Interested Consultancy Firms may obtain further information at the addresses below during the Bank's working hours: 09:00 to 17:00 hours.
6. Expressions of interest must be received at the following email address below no later than **August 13<sup>th</sup>** at 1700 hours local (Tunis) time and specifically mentioning Consultancy services for **Provision of assistance to implement capacity building, coaching and advisory services to beneficiaries of the Souk At-tanmia partnership.**

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### **About Souk At-tanmia**

In July 2012, the African Development Bank (AfDB), in collaboration with 19 partners from the donor community, the public and the private sector as well as the Tunisian civil society, launched Souk At-tanmia, an initiative aimed at tackling the hard pressing issue of unemployment in Tunisia. The objective of Souk At-tanmia is to create new opportunities for underserved entrepreneurs by helping them start their own businesses. The initiative has a unique positioning in the country because it uses a comprehensive approach that leverages on the expertise, network and resources of different high profile partners to offer both funding (in the form of grants and additional credit from partner banks) and non-financial assistance (training, coaching, mentoring and access to market) to selected entrepreneurs.

A pilot edition was launched on July 2012 and closed in December 2013. In view of the positive results achieved during the pilot phase, a second edition of Souk At-tanmia was launched on April 30th 2014. Overall, Souk At-tanmia has proved extremely efficient to achieve its objectives. It helped redefine entrepreneurship in Tunisia and raising awareness of the needs of small and medium-sized businesses. The experience had also positive results in terms of job creation and support to underserved groups.