



SOUTHERN AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUPPORT TO THE CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES (HIV/AIDS, TUBERCULOSIS AND MALARIA) PROJECT

REQUEST FOR CONSULTANT'S EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

1. This request for Expressions of Interest (EOI) follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that appeared in *UN Development Business* No AfDB175-686/06 of 16 September 2006.

2. The Southern African Development Community (SADC) has received a grant from the African Development Bank (ADB) in various currencies equivalent to **UA 20.00 million** towards the cost of the **Support to the Control of Communicable Diseases Project** and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this grant to eligible payments under the contract for consultancy services for: **"Strengthening the availability and access to medicines and commodities through regional production and pooled Procurement"**.

The consultancy will focus on three related areas, namely

- A. Feasibility and modality for pooled procurement of medicines in the SADC Region**
- B. Feasibility for Regional Production of Essential Medicines in the Region**
- C. Feasibility for Pooled Procurement, Licensing and Distribution of Malaria Commodities in the SADC region**

3. SADC now invites consulting firms **from eligible source countries** to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested firms must provide a statement of capability and experience indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.), and ability to work in all 15 Member States where the three official SADC languages are spoken (English, French and Portuguese). The EOIs should clearly indicate the specific area of interest (Pooled Production and regional production), and should **not be more than**

two pages.

4. A short list of six firms will be compiled in accordance with the procedures set out in the African Development Bank's ***Rules and Procedures for the Use of Consultants***.

5. Written EOIs must be marked '***Expression of Interest for the Southern African Development Community Control of Communicable Diseases Project – Pooled Procurement and Regional Production***' and delivered to the address below by **12H00, Botswana Time (GMT +2) on Friday 29 January 2009**.

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