

## GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

### Arab Republic of Egypt

#### The Rural Income And Economic Enhancement Project ( RIEEP ) : the Technical Assistance Program (TA Program)

Project ID: P-EG- IEO - 003

Loan No. 2000120002719

Grants: FAPA Grant No. 5700155001001

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1. The Arab Republic of Egypt has received a line of credit for USD 70 Million and two grants for a total of USD 1.875 Million from the African Development Bank for the Rural Income and Economic Enhancement Project, implemented by the Social Fund for Development. The proceeds of the two grants will finance the implementation of the Technical Assistance Program (TA Program) in 3 governorates in Upper Egypt (Minya, Suhag and Assiut)
2. The principal objectives of this project are to : sustainably improve the incomes of the economically active rural smallholder farmers engaged in the production, processing and marketing of selected agricultural commodities (horticulture, livestock and fisheries) by enhancing their access to affordable long-term finance and facilitating their participation in productive business alliances. The principal objective of the RIEEP TA Program is to support: (i) participatory value chain analysis for horticulture and dairy; (ii) create business linkages between farmer associations and private sector; and (iii) provide and facilitate easy access to finance.
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The TA Program consists of two main sub-components:

(i) Value Chain Development Sub-Component, including:

- In-Depth Value Chain Analysis
- Institutional Assessment and Capacity Building of Farmer Associations (FAs)
- Business Development Services of FAs.
- Specific Women Entrepreneurship Training
- Training Of Service Providers.
- Policy Dialogue Workshops

(ii) Agribusiness Finance Development Sub-Component, including:

- Capacity Building for staff of Partner Financial Institutions and SFD in Agribusiness Lending
- Development of agribusiness lending strategy for 3 select banks
- Development of a micro-insurance product

4. Acquisition of the services of Consultants will follow the Bank's Rules of Procedure for the Use of Consultants dated May 2008.  
Requests for Expression of Interest shall be published on the SFD website: [www.sfdegypt.org](http://www.sfdegypt.org) and on the United Nations Development Business Magazine (UNDB) website: [www.devbusiness.com](http://www.devbusiness.com).
5. Bidding documents and Terms of Reference (TOR) are expected to be available as of September 2011, on the previously mentioned websites, and the assignments are planned to start during the fourth quarter of 2011.
6. Interested bidders may obtain further information, and should confirm their interest, by contacting :

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