REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(Individual Consultant)

African Development Bank Group (AfDB)
Financial Markets Division
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The Financial Markets Division of the Financial Sector Development Department (OFSD) of the African Development Bank will require the Services of a Knowledge Manager (hereinafter “the Consultant”) to provide knowledge management support to the African Financial Markets Initiative (AFMI). The proposed assignment is for an estimated period of 1 year renewable subject to a satisfactory review.

Department issuing the request: Financial Sector Development Department- Financial Markets Division (OFSD3)

Place of assignment: Abidjan, Cote d’Ivoire

Duration of the assignment: 1 Year

Tentative Date of commencement: 18 April 2016

Deadline for Confirming Interest: 15 March 2016

Indications of Interest to be submitted to: Financial Markets Division, Email: afmi@afdb.org.
Submissions should quote “AFMI Knowledge Manager”

1. Background

1.1. Launched in 2008, the African Financial Markets Initiative (AFMI) is an expression of commitment by the African Development Bank (AfDB) to contribute to domestic resource mobilization and bond market development on the continent.

1.2. The need to have a robust Sovereign bond market is paramount as it forms the backbone of any fixed income market. The African bond markets lack the necessary institutional and operational infrastructure, which in turn leads to low levels of liquidity, a narrow investor base, short maturities and higher borrowing costs. The underdevelopment of sovereign bond markets on the continent impedes competitiveness, breadth of credit and hedging products available as well as the development of corporate bond markets.

1.3. Developed in Africa for Africa and focused on a cooperative approach with public and private sector partners, the AFMI will provide innovative and tailored solutions to further develop domestic bond markets on the continent.

1.4. To achieve these objectives, AFMI has two complementary pillars: The African Domestic Bond Fund and the African Financial Markets Database.

2. Objectives

Under the direct supervision of the AFMI Coordinator, the Consultant will work with the AFMI team to compile bond market research and knowledge management activities. The Consultant will be
responsible for the editing and management of the content disseminated through the AFMI website, the AFMI brand and advocacy related activities.

2.1. Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank’s “Rules and Procedures for the use of Consultants” which is available on the Bank’s website at http://www.afdb.org.