

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

### AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

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### INDEPENDENT DEVELOPMENT EVALUATION (IDEV)

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1. The African Development Bank hereby invites consulting firms to indicate their interest in the following Assignment: **Background reports to the Evaluation of the Private Sector Development Strategy of the African Development Bank, “The assignment”**.
2. The services to be provided under the Assignment will cover background evaluation studies in support of the Evaluation of the Private Sector Development Strategy of the African Development Bank (or PSDE). The core questions of the PSDE comprise (i) how well the PSD was designed and implemented? (ii) How well the PSD performed at project and institutional levels? (iii) What are the enablers and barriers of PSD performance?

The assignment will include:

- a) The conduct of five background studies and their reporting; literature review including synthesis of evidence from PSD evaluations; benchmarking report; Bank portfolio risk analysis; Bank performance in managing PSD design and implementation and results; country case studies (up to six countries).
  - b) Preparing a detailed and operational work plan on how to conduct the assignment; the plan will include evaluation design (specification of intervention logical framework, core questions and criteria, and intended users and uses), evaluation components and methods (questions-indicators-data sources-data collection and analysis methods-limitations), and reporting requirements.
  - c) Implementing the above work plan including desk review and country case studies, and preparation of the background reports.
  - d) Presenting the final background evaluation reports including findings, conclusions, lessons and recommendations by the third **quarter of 2019**.
3. The Independent Development Evaluation (IDEV) invites consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the above-described services. Interested eligible consulting firms or associations of consulting firms shall provide information on their relevant qualifications, experience and capacity demonstrating their ability to provide the services (documentation, references for similar services, experience in comparable assignments, availability of qualified staff, etc.), and on approximate budget.
  4. The eligibility criteria, the establishment of a short list and the selection procedure shall be in conformity with the Bank's **Procurement Policy Framework** for projects financed by the Bank Group, October 2015 Edition, available on the Bank Website at <http://www.afdb.org>. 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 services is up to **four (4) months**, and the estimated starting date is May 20, 2019.
  6. Interested Consulting Firms may obtain further information at the address below during the Bank's working hours: **09:00 to 17:00 hours**.

7. Expressions of interest must be received at the address below no later than April 29, 2019 at 17:00 hour local (Abidjan) time and specifically mentioning “**Background reports to the Evaluation of the Private Sector Development Strategy of the African Development Bank**”.

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