

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES)**

STATE OF ERITREA

PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND STATISTICS CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECT

**External Technical Assistance for upgrading the existing IT infrastructure and training
the National Statistics Office (NSO) IT staff**

Sector: Governance

Financing Agreement reference: 5900155010251

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The Government of State of Eritrea has received financing from the African Development Bank towards the cost of the Public Financial Management and Statistics Capacity Building Project. The government intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this Grant for payments to External Technical Assistance for upgrading existing IT infrastructure and training the National Statistics Office (NSO) IT staff.

The services included under this project are to contribute to review the already existing IT infrastructure and thereby install and set up the hardware together with the system and get the servers and network to function, to install other software, which will be used for all the data processing purposes, definitions of users and mailing systems, and training of the IT staff. Ministry of Finance is the Executing Agency for the project.

The State of Eritrea Ministry of Finance now invites eligible firms to indicate their interest in providing technical assistance services for upgrading the existing IT infrastructure and training the National Statistics Office (NSO) IT staff. Interested consultants must provide information 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.). Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's **Procurement Policy, October 2015**, which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>. Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 08:00 to 17:00hrs from Monday to Friday.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by **13 September 2017 at 15:00** and mention "External Technical Assistance for upgrading the existing IT infrastructure and training the National Statistics Office (NSO) IT staff."

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