REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES - FIRMS)

Republic of Sudan
Ministry of Agriculture and Forests
ENABLE YOUTH PROGRAM

Design and structuring of a Risk Sharing and Financing Mechanism (RSFM)

Grant No.: 5900155011051
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The Government of Sudan (GoS) has received financing from the African Development Fund (ADF) in the form of a grant toward the cost of the ENABLE Youth Program. Part of the agreed amount of the grant will be applied to payments under the contract for the design and structuring of a Risk Sharing and Financing Mechanism (RSFM) for the program.

ENABLE Youth Sudan Program is one of AfDB’s ENABLE Youth Initiatives under the Bank’s Feed Africa Strategy (2016 – 2025). The objective of the program is to create business opportunities and decent employment for young women and men along priority agricultural value chains in Sudan. The program will train and empower 2,000 Agricultural Entrepreneurs (Agripreneurs) in Youth Agri-Business Incubation Centers (YABICs) in five states in the country. Each of these Agripreneurs is expected to employ five other support workers, generating 12,000 jobs in total over the first 5 years of the program. The program will also entail crowding-in Financial Institutions (FIs) in Sudan to provide loans and insurance products to qualifying entrepreneurs. USD 18.5 million of the total cost of the program is seed money for the RSFM.

The required service under this assignment is to design and structure a country, specific RSFM to be established for the ENABLE Youth Program in Sudan to lessen lending risks to acceptable levels for participating Financial Institutions (FIs). The Consultant will:

(i) Undertake an assessment and mapping of institutions - local commercial banks, microfinance institutions, guarantee institutions, non-banking financial institutions across the country that are already lending to the agriculture sector;

(ii) Screen and assess the existing capacity of FIs in Sudan to participate in the Program and also identify existing gaps; and

(iii) Design and structure an appropriate RSFM in line with Sudan’s Islamic finance and banking system.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Forests now invites consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. 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 for Bank Group Funded Operations dated October 2015 as amended from time to time, which is available on the Bank’s website at http://www.afdb.org. Recipients’ are under no obligation to shortlist any consultant who expresses interest.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours from 0800 hrs to 1700 hrs, excluding public holidays.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 2:00 pm on 26 October 2017 and mention “Design and Structuring of a Risk Sharing and Financing Mechanism”.

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