REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (EOI)
Consulting Services (Firms)

The Republic of Zimbabwe

Ministry of Industry and Commerce

Support to the beef and leather value chain Technical Assistance Project

Technical Assistance and Support to the Beef and Leather Value Chain Project Implementation

Sector: Livestock / SMEs
Project ID No.: P-ZW-AAG-001

The Republic of Zimbabwe, has received grant funds from the African Development Bank’s Fund for African Private Sector Assistance (FAPA) and Transitional Support Facility (TSF) towards the costs of the Zimbabwe: Support to the beef and leather value chain Technical Assistance (TA) project, and intends to apply part of the agreed amount of this grant to payment under the contract for Consultancy Services to deliver on the building of stakeholders’ production capacities and enabling them to access local and export markets which will result in the creation of employment, income growth, poverty reduction and achieving inclusive growth.

The duration for the consultancy services under this project shall be 30 Months and are to be completed by December 2018. The assignments shall include the following:

A. Facilitate the establishment of a stakeholder platform and ensure its institutionalization within Government and/or sub-sector association.
B. Facilitate and support the Government of Zimbabwe to review and streamline reforms to existing sub-sector policies and regulations fully taking into account the concerns of the stakeholders in the value chain.
C. Oversee capacity building along the value chain (in Matabeleland North) of forty (40) SMEs and upstream key stakeholders/farmers so as increase their production capabilities. This will include the training of trainers of twenty five (25) local business development service providers who will directly train upstream key stakeholders/farmers under the supervision of the consultant.
D. Training and coaching of forty (40) key stakeholders to access local, regional or international markets. This will include the training of trainers of ten (10) local business development service providers to assist with direct coaching of the key stakeholders under the supervision of the consultant.
E. Training, coaching and/or mentoring of forty (40) key stakeholders in financial management and assisting them in developing bankable business plans for securing funds for their businesses. This will include training of trainers of twenty (20) local business developments service providers to assist with direct coaching and mentoring of stakeholders under the supervision of the consultant.
F. Design of a livestock information and traceability system.
G. Preparation of a project proposal for the Government of Zimbabwe for the funding of critical infrastructure Development for onward submission to Development Partners.

The Ministry of Industry and Commerce now invites consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the above described services. Interested eligible consulting firms must provide information showing clearly that they are qualified to undertake this assignment (experience in comparable assignments, availability of qualified staff, references for similar services, brochures, etc).

Evaluation of EOI will be based on the following evaluation criteria:

i. Organizational Capability and General Experience of Consultant
ii. Key Professional Personnel
iii. Experience in the region
iv. Experience in similar assignments
The 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” (May 2008 edition, revised in July 2012), which are available on the Bank’s website at http://www.afdb.org.

Expressions of interest must be submitted by email to the addresses indicated below by June 30th, 2016 at 10.00hrs (Local Harare time) and mention “EOI: Technical Assistance and Support to the Beef and Leather Value Chain Project Implementation”.

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Note: EOIs received after the deadline will be not be accepted.