1. South Africa has received a grant from the African Water Facility to finance the Operationalizing Community-Driven Multiple-Use Water Services (MUS) Project.

2. The principal objectives of this project are to: Support the operationalization of MUS services in the Republic of South Africa through demonstration investments, awareness raising, applied research and leveraging of finance.

3. The project includes the following components:

   - Component 1: Through a participatory planning approach, identification and establishment of household- and community-level infrastructure by a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) to demonstrate MUS planning and infrastructure investments in the selected target areas within (i) Vhembe District, Limpopo Province; and (ii) Sekhukhune District, Limpopo Province.

   - Component 2: Strengthen the knowledge base by conducting applied research on the application and introduction of MUS approaches based on a learning framework to be agreed with the project beneficiaries, including research questions and hypothesis jointly defined at local, intermediate, and national level.

   - Component 3: Fostering Up-Scaling and Investments to increase the level of investments for improved water service delivery, and to up-scale findings of demonstration investments and applied research. The project will support local municipalities and other government agencies both (i) within on-going planning processes, and (ii) by developing dedicated downstream MUS programs/projects. Further, and to address the existing budgetary allocation towards single-use water investments, the project will raise awareness of key stakeholders from district to national level. Services of individual consultants may be requested for facilitating workshops.

   - Component 4: Project management

4. The procurement of goods, works and services financed by the AWF shall be in accordance with the AWF’s Operational Procedures, the Bank Rules and Procedures for the Procurement of Goods and Works (May 2008, revised July 2012), or as appropriate the Bank Rules and Procedures for the Use of Consultants (May 2008, revised July 2012). The procurement methods to be used will include, but will not be limited to a) shopping for civil works, goods and non-consulting services and b) single source selection (SSS), shortlisting, using quality cost based selection (QCBS) and individuals for consultancy services. Bidding documents are expected to be available in May 2015.

5. Interested bidders may obtain further information, and should confirm their interest, by contacting:

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