REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST 
(CONSULTING SERVICES) 
MALAWI 
Shire Valley Irrigation Project (SVIP) 

Ministry of Water Development and Irrigation

The Government of the Republic of Malawi through the Ministry of Water Development and Irrigation has received financing from the African Development Bank towards the cost of the Shire Valley Irrigation Project, and intends to apply part of the agreed amount of the finances for payments under the contract for Technical Feasibility Study Consultancy.

The services involved under this study include carrying forward the pre-feasibility study, already completed, to a detailed feasibility study covering the following activities:

- Refine the water availability assessment by defining mitigation measures to the risk of occurrence of a series of dry years similar to the one documented beginning of the 20th century, and optimising the water resource allocation between the uses.
- Assist the Government in selecting the best technical and institutional options before developing the full feasibility (water allocation optimization, inclusion or not of Commercial Estates, with-without lining, etc.; stage 1);
- Based on the selected options, carry out additional investigations, prepare the preliminary design and assess the technical and economic feasibility of the project (stage 2), taking into consideration its phasing;

The exercise is to take approximately 18 months.

The Ministry of Water Development and Irrigation now invites eligible 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 “Rules and Procedures for the use of Consultants” of May 2008, as revised in July 2012 which is available on the Bank’s website at http://www.afdb.org. The Client is under no obligation to shortlist any consultant who expresses interest. The consultant will be engaged under Consultants Qualifications selection. Disbursement, in respect of any contracts signed, will be subject to approval of the Financing by the AWF/ADB.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 07.30am to 12.00 noon and from 1.00pm to 5.00pm on all working days.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 18th February, 2013 at 14.00 hours and mention “Technical Feasibility Study”.

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