REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ABM PROJECT)

NIGERIA
PROMOTING INNOVATIVE WATER-RELATED CLIMATE ADAPTATION SOLUTIONS IN NIGERIA UNDER THE AFRICAN CLIMATE TECHNOLOGY AND FINANCE CENTER AND NETWORK (ACTFCN)

1. The African Development Bank hereby invites non-governmental, research and private sector organizations registered in regional or non-regional member countries\(^1\) of the African Development Bank to indicate their interest in the following assignment: **Promoting innovative adaptation solutions with focus on water in Nigeria to demonstrate the Adaptation Benefits Mechanism (ABM)**, under the African Climate Technology and Finance Center and Network (ACTFCN) project funded by the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and implemented by the African Development Bank through the Climate Change and Green Growth Department (PECG).

The objective of the ACTFCN is to support Sub-Saharan African (SSA) member countries in scaling-up the deployment of low-carbon and climate resilient technologies for climate change mitigation and adaptation. The third component of the programme provides financing for technical and advisory services for the integration of climate change technologies in the water sector into investment programs and projects on the African continent. This expression of interest therefore refers to the provision of specific services for a project in Nigeria.

The African Development Bank is piloting the Adaptation Benefit Mechanism (ABM) during the 2019-2023 period in Africa. The ABM is an innovative mechanism to mobilize public and private sector financing for climate change adaptation through the introduction of certified adaptation benefits. It has the potential to create an incentive for private sector engagement in adaptation action and investments. The ABM is being developed as a voluntary cooperative non-market-based approach to assist developing countries with the implementation of the adaptation component of their Nationally Determined Contributions under the Paris Agreement, in particular with meeting the needs and priorities for adaptation requiring international cooperation. More information on the ABM can be found on the website of the African Development Bank\(^2\).

Requested activities from the consultant will include the implementation of a small-scale high-impact highly replicable climate change adaptation demonstration project with focus on water in Nigeria in the period 2020-2023 that will also be used to demonstrate the ABM. Project activities in relation to the ABM include:

(a) Identifying the replication potential of the demonstration project;

(b) Based on guidelines and templates to be provided, preparing an ABM project design document, containing the ABM methodology for the determination of adaptation benefits, other co-benefits and incremental costs, as well as for monitoring and reporting of the results;

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\(^1\) The list of member countries of the African Development Bank is available at: https://www.afdb.org/en/about-us/corporate-information/members

\(^2\) More information on the Adaptation Benefits Mechanism can be found at: https://www.afdb.org/en/topics-and-sectors/initiatives-partnerships/adaptation-benefit-mechanism-abm
(c) Validation of the ABM methodology and project by an independent third party;
(d) Monitoring and reporting of the results;
(e) Verification of the realized adaptation benefits, other co-benefits and incremental costs by an independent third party;
(f) Capacity building workshops and stakeholder consultations;
(g) Preparation of knowledge products and communication.

In addition, the services to be provided by the consultant under this assignment include (but are not limited to) the following areas:

(a) Setting up an adaptation project and managing its implementation and successful completion.
(b) Consulting with relevant local and national authorities and key stakeholders.
(c) Undertaking activities necessary to demonstrate the ABM.
(d) All the materials required shall be supplied by the Contractor. The Contractor shall have to make his own arrangements for storage, site office and labour camp for the entire job.

2. **The assignment is expected to commence in June 2020 for a period of 12 months (extendable for a further 12 months maximum).** Expressions of Interest (EOIs) should be aligned with the priorities of the African Development Bank, including its 10-year strategy (which aims for inclusive growth and a transition to green growth) and the High-5 priorities (which aim to light up and power Africa, feed Africa, industrialise Africa, integrate Africa, and improve the quality of life for the people of Africa), as well as with the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) and related climate change, sustainable development and poverty alleviation strategies of the host country.

The expressions of interest should follow the following format:

(a) Details of the firm or consortium (including nationality of the firms and contact person) and including DACON registration number (1 page);
(b) Expression of Interest (approx. 5 pages) detailing your strengths, expertise, approach and any information you believe relevant
(c) Experience in similar Assignments (approx. 5 pages)

The Following mandatory documents should also accompany any submission in response to this Call for Expression of Interest:

i. Certificate of Incorporation, Partnership or Business registration  
ii. Trading Certificate  
iii. Certificate of registration with relevant regulatory authorities,  
iv. List of Directors, telephone, postal and email address  
v. Organogram  
vi. Evidence of physical registered office  
vii. Audited financial reports  
viii. Bank statements

We suggest to firms to keep the EOIs below 25 pages.
3. The AfDB invites eligible companies to indicate their interest in providing the above-described services, including information on their qualification and experience demonstrating their ability to provide the services (documentation, references for similar services, and experience in comparable assignments, etc.). Please note that the inclusion of local consulting expertise in proposals will be preferred.

4. Eligibility criteria, the establishment of a short list and the selection procedure shall be in conformity with the Bank’s Corporate Procurement Procedures as described in the Implementation Manual for the Presidential Directive no 2/2012, August 2012 and revised May 2014. Interest expressed by a consulting firm does not imply any obligation on the part of the Bank to be included in the shortlist.

5. Expressions of interest must be received at the address below no later than Monday 25 May 2020 at 08:00 (Abidjan Time) specifically mentioning “EOI for ACTFCN-Component 3 in Nigeria”. Please note that submissions are encouraged to be done via email. Documents should be submitted in Word or PDF format and should not exceed 5 MB in total.

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3 Internal documents of the African Development Bank.