



## **CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (CONSULTANCY SERVICES - RECRUITMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)**

### **Selection of an Individual Consultant to review the ECOWAS Sahel Strategy**

#### **Reference No. 1-ECW-/VP-CDP/RSS/24-10/dy**

1. The ECOWAS Commission intends to use part of its budget to finance the contract of an Individual Consultant to review the ECOWAS Sahel Strategy.
2. The objective of this consultancy service is to provide ECOWAS with a new Sahel intervention strategy, through broad-based consultations with stakeholders. It is also expected to review the current ECOWAS Sahel intervention strategy, recent developments in the Sahel region and initiatives being implemented by other stakeholders in the Sahel.
3. The services to be provided by the Consultants (“the Services”) shall take into consideration the deliverables listed in paragraph 4 below. The assignment shall last four (4) months from the date the contract is signed.
4. Duties and responsibilities of the Consultants: The Consultant’s tasks shall include the following:
  - Define a strategic framework for ECOWAS intervention strategy in the Sahel based on the mandate and vision of the institution while ensuring harmony with other existing strategies in the Sahel region. He/she shall also develop a strategy for coordinating all Sahel strategies based on comparative advantages;
  - Develop a strategy for the implementation of the strategic framework, taking into account the Action Plan, improved institutional arrangements and implementation of the strategy. He/she shall also come up with funding options alongside measures to promote, attract and retain donor support;
  - Develop a monitoring and evaluation framework for the new ECOWAS Sahel intervention strategy and identify new and more justifiable sources of funding for the ECOWAS Sahel intervention strategy.
5. The ECOWAS Commission invites eligible individual consultants (“Consultants”) to express their interest in providing the services. **Interested consultants shall provide information showing that they have the qualifications and experience to provide the requested services.** *The applicants are to meet the criteria set out below:*

#### **Qualifications**

- At least a Master’s degree (or equivalent) in Economics, Strategy, Social Sciences, Political Science or any other related field.

#### **Experience**

- Minimum of ten (10) years of experience in Sahel issues, strategies, development projects and project funding;
- He/she must have carried out at least two (2) similar assignments/projects as a Sahel Expert and the ECOWAS region (drafting of development strategies, project management, security issues);
- He/she must have carried out at least one (1) similar assignment/project (involving knowledge of result-based management principles and a proven ability to develop and coordinate large-scale and complex programmes) as a Sahel Expert.

#### **Language**



- Individual consultants must be fluent in French and English (reading, spoken and written). Working knowledge of Portuguese (reading, spoken and written) will be an added advantage.

**NB:** The ECOWAS Commission would like to draw the attention of interested consultants to **Article 118 of the ECOWAS Procurement Code on “Offences committed by candidates, bidders and successful bidders”**, which provides information on fraudulent or corrupt practices in competition or contract execution. Furthermore, candidates are invited to take cognisance of the specific information on conflict of interest related to this consultancy service, under **Article 119 of the revised ECOWAS Procurement Code**.

6. The selection of the consultant will be made following the criteria for the *Selection of Individual Consultants* set out in the Guidelines for Consultants. The candidate with the highest score will be invited to submit a technical and financial proposal.

Interested consultants may obtain more information by contacting the Procurement Division at the email below during working hours, i.e. **Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (GMT +1)**.

**Email:** [sbangoura@ecowas.int](mailto:sbangoura@ecowas.int), with copies to: [ikkamara@ecowas.int](mailto:ikkamara@ecowas.int); [azonon@ecowas.int](mailto:azonon@ecowas.int); [yberra@ecowas.int](mailto:yberra@ecowas.int).

7. Expressions of interest (**1 original and 3 copies**) may be submitted in sealed envelopes marked **“Selection of an Individual Consultant to Review the ECOWAS Sahel Strategy”** to the address below, no later than **Monday, 14 November 2022 at 11:00 a.m. (GMT+1, Nigerian time)**.

**Procurement Division, Directorate of General Administration, 1st Floor, ECOWAS Commission, 101 Yakubu Gowon Crescent, Asokoro District, P. M. B. 401 Abuja Nigeria.**

**Please note that electronic submissions are also ACCEPTED and should be sent to the email addresses mentioned above in paragraph 6.**

**Commissioner for Internal Services**