



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - RELAUNCH (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS)

COUNTRY: NIGERIA

NAME OF PROJECT: WESTERN AFRICA REGIONAL DIGITAL INTEGRATION PROGRAM (WARDIP)

Grant No.: E264-3W

Assignment Title: Provision of Technical Assistance to support the implementation of the ECOWAS E-commerce Strategy.

Reference No.: NG-WARDIP-ECOWAS-494277-CS-INDV

The Economic Community of West African States Commission (ECOWAS Commission) has received financing from the World Bank toward the implementation of the **Western Africa Regional Digital Integration Program (WARDIP)** and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include the Technical Assistance to ECOWAS in the implementation of the ECOWAS Ecommerce Strategy with a view to supporting intraregional trade, job creation and economic diversification in the ECOWAS region by leveraging on the power of technology and connectivity. The expected duration of the assignment is eighteen (18) months.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website:
https://www.ecowas.int/procurement/procurement_m/intellectual-services/

The ECOWAS Commission now invites eligible Individual Consultants (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The qualifications and relevant experience of the consultants must be supported by documents such as **Curricula Vitae (with references), degrees, training certificates, contracts, certificates of performance, etc.** The ECOWAS Commission reserves the right to reject any application that is not accompanied by the required supporting documents.

The evaluation criteria are:

Qualifications and skills (support with evidence):

- Advanced university degree (i.e. master’s degree) in Trade, Law, Economics, Digital Transformation, E-Commerce, ICT, Development Studies or related field with relevance for the assignment.

Professional experience (support with evidence):

- At least seven (7) years of proven experience in trade policy formulation, regional integration and development, or related areas
- At least three (3) years of proven experience in Digital Trade/ Ecommerce
- Proven experience in at least one of each following groups of fields:

1. Digital experience

- digital startups.
- digital development.
- digital marketing.

2. Indicators experience

- indicators frameworks.
- data analytics, or related areas.

Language:

- The Consultant must demonstrate proficiency in English and French. Knowledge of Portuguese can be an asset.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Individual Consultant selection method** set out in the World Bank Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the email addresses below during office hours **0900 to 1700 hours, GMT + 1 Nigeria Time.**

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the addresses below by e-mail by **June 23, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., GMT + 1 Nigeria Time.**

ECOWAS Commission

Attention: Commissioner Infrastructure, Energy and Digitalization

Abuja, Nigeria

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Note: The ECOWAS Commission will only notify the shortlisted candidates of the results of the evaluation.

Date: **May 27, 2025**



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Attachment: ToR of the assignment