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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Reference: PP-CS-2025-066

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE FEASIBILITY, PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING DESIGN AND FINANCING STUDY OF THE BANJUL–BARRA BRIDGE PROJECT IN THE GAMBIA.

1. The Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Commission, as part of its Praia–Dakar–Abidjan Corridor Programme, intends to recruit a qualified consultancy firm to carry out a Technical Feasibility and Preliminary Engineering Design Study of a proposed Banjul–Barra Bridge. This initiative forms part of the Trans-African Highway No. 7 (TAH-7) and aims to improve regional connectivity between The Gambia and Senegal in particular while contributing to economic development and integration across West Africa.
2. The objective of this assignment is to conduct a Feasibility, Preliminary Engineering Design and Financing study that will assess the technical, environmental, financial, economic, legal, and institutional viability of constructing a bridge linking the cities of Banjul and Barra across the Gambia River. The study will provide comprehensive data, models, and preliminary designs required to determine project viability and to prepare tender documentation.
3. The services to be provided under this contract include: (i) Determination and validation of three bridge alignments option using multi-criteria analysis (MCA); (ii) Technical and engineering surveys including traffic counts, topographic, geotechnical, and hydrological assessments; (iii) Preparation of an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Resettlement Action Plan (RAP); (iv) Economic and financial analysis including traffic forecasting and toll revenue projections; (V) Preparation of conceptual and preliminary engineering designs for bridge, approach roads, and associated infrastructure; (vi) Development of a project financing and institutional management strategy; and (vii) Preparation of two sets of tender documents.
4. The Contract duration will be will be 18 months.
5. The ECOWAS Commission invites eligible Consultants (firms or joint ventures) with experience in large-scale transport infrastructure studies (preferably in Africa or similar environments) to express their interest. Interested consultants must provide information demonstrating that they are qualified to perform the services, including:
 - General experience in infrastructure feasibility studies
 - Specific experience in similar transport infrastructure studies (preferably for bridges and highways).



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- Experience working on with regional institutions.
- Experience working in sub-Saharan Africa
- Firms' general organization (structure and availability of appropriately skilled staff)
- Access to modern engineering software and tools (traffic modelling, geotechnical, financial modelling);

NB: Each reference project must be presented with a Project Sheet and include relevant supporting documents such as a copy of contract, completion certificates, or performance statements... Contact details of clients must be included for verification.

- 6. Consultants may constitute Joint-Ventures to enhance their chances of qualification. In accordance with Article 10.2 of the ECOWAS REVISED PROCUREMENT CODE/SEPTEMBER 2021, foreign firms MUST enter into joint venture agreement with Member States' firms. The accepted minimum Joint Venture partnership share for the West African firm is at least 40%.**
- 7. The Eligibility criteria, preparation of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the ECOWAS REVISED PROCUREMENT CODE/SEPTEMBER 2021 which is available on the ECOWAS Commission's Website at www.ecowas.int.**
- 8. Interested consultants can obtain further information at the e-mail addresses mentioned below during working hours: 9.00am - 4.00pm, Nigerian Time, (GMT + 1) Mondays through Fridays (except public holidays): procurement@ecowas.int with copy to ikkamara@ecowas.int; sbangoura@ecowas.int; amaliki@ecowas.int; cappiah@ecowas.int; ombacke@ecowas.int.**
- 9. Expression of Interest must be delivered in hard copies (one (1) signed original plus three (3) copies) to the address below, not later than 7th July 2025, at 4.00 pm (GMT + 1), Nigerian Time and must be clearly marked: "Expression of Interest for Consultancy Services for the Feasibility and Preliminary Engineering Design Study of the Banjul–Barra Bridge Project"**

For delivery in person or by registered mail to:

**ECOWAS Commission Procurement Division,
First (1st) Floor of the ECOWAS Commission Headquarters,
Plot 101, Yakubu Gowon Crescent,
Asokoro District, Abuja,
NIGERIA.**



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The detailed TOR can be accessed through the following link
https://www.ecowas.int/procurement/procurement_m/intellectual-services/.

Requests for further information or clarification could be sent by e-mail:

Attention: Director of Administration and General Services

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10. The working languages shall be **English and French**.

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