

#### REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST



### (PROJECT END-TERM EVALUATION, SCALE UP, DESIGN AND PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANCY)

# RURAL LIVELIHOODS' ADAPTATION TO CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE HORN OF AFRICA PROJECT II

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The Federal Republic of Somalia has received financing from the African Development Bank toward the cost of Rural Livelihoods Adaptation to Climate Change in the Horn of Africa (RLACCII). It intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this grant to payments under the contracts for the Consultancy Service of Project End-Term Evaluation, Scale Up, Design and Proposal Development.

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The services under this project include the recruitment of a consultancy firm for Project End-Term Evaluation, Scale Up, Design and Proposal Development Consultancy.

## Objective & General Scope of the Assignment

The objective of the assignment is to undertake end-term project evaluation, feasibility studies for the project idea mentioned above and produce complete project documents/results that provide information on the technical, environmental, social, and financial viability that will inform the project proposal to be developed.

The proposed assignment, shall include the following activities:

- Review project documents, including the project proposal, progress reports, and any midterm evaluations;
- Study the objectives, expected outcomes, and indicators set for Phase II;
- Engage with local communities, project beneficiaries, and other stakeholders to gather firsthand information and ensure gender-balanced representation in consultations;
- Visit project sites to observe and assess the implemented adaptation measures;
- Collect quantitative and qualitative data on project outcomes;
- Analyze the data to measure the project's impact on rural livelihoods in the context of climate change adaptation;
- Undertake the feasibility studies of the proposed project while ensuring its consistency with national government policies and strategies;
- Analyze and compare scenarios with and without the project under a projection of climate change and against a baseline situation, and compare those scenarios to each other to determine the impact of the project;
- Based on the relevant government policies, conduct the overall financial analysis and profit/loss calculations of the projects, including the internal rate of return in close collaboration with potential line ministries, and other relevant ministries and institutions;
- Complete the climate analysis and rationale to be used for the project proposal.

# **Specific Tasks**

Feasibility studies which include the following:

- Carry out a desk study of RLACC II project specifically the Somalia component to undestand it objectives and impact, lessons learnt and areas of scalling up and improvements required;
- Identify and review the findings of the existing or similar analytical and feasibility studies (if available) in water, agriculture and livestock in respective project areas in Somalia;
- Provide a technical assessment of the viability of the project. If a particular technological solution is chosen, the consulting firm should describe why it is the most appropriate for the project;
- Apply in-depth technical design studies for the proposed technological solutions to present technical, environmental, social, policy assessment of feasible options/solutions for the proposed project, and propose outcomes and recommendations with the most feasible and sound options for the project;
- Apply relevant engineering study/analysis with testing work and on-site appraisals;
- Include deeper analysis and testing of each feasible option;
- Undertake a SESA (Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment) in accordance with the Bank's Environmental and Social Assessment Procedures (ESAP) as part of the feasibility study of the project.

## Climate analysis and rationale

- Complete the description and analysis of climate change profile and trends, using the relevant and recent data;
- Complete the description and analysis of climate change impacts on ecosystems, urban and rural populations and infrastructures, etc. in the target project sites;
- Complete the description and analysis of the mitigation needs and/or adaptation needs (climate hazards and associates risks based on impacts, exposure, and vulnerabilities) related to the project.

#### Economic and financial analysis

- Conduct detailed analysis and specify the expected economic and financial rate of return with and without the Fund's support, and establish the cost–economic benefit ratio of project;
- Conduct an in-depth analysis of the economic and financial cost-effectiveness of the project based on key barriers and relevant factors;
- Specify the cost—economic benefit ratio of project activity by comparing their positive and structuring effects on the national economy through job and income generation contributing to achieving the project development goals and the emergence of the country;
- Analyze the financial cost-benefit ratios of the project's investment;
- Analyze the intrinsic cost-effectiveness of the funding;
- Calculate and analyze the net added value prior to projects financing;
- Conduct in-depth technical design studies for the proposed climate technologies and make recommendations of the most feasible and sound options for the project;
- Apply relevant engineering study/analysis with testing work and on-site appraisals for project location;
- Identify private sector institutions to engage in the project;
- Contribute to the development of the transformative approach of the project that will aid in scaling up climate resilience building and agro-pastoral sustainable livelihood activities;
- Develop the project financing models.

## **Other Specific Tasks**

The following are specific tasks to be conducted:

- Collect data and undertake desk review of documents that are relevant to the assignment, including Country National Development Plan, Bank's Country Strategy, Programme Implementation Plans, Detailed Analytical studies, Physical development plans, land use plans, relevant laws, regulations and policies, and other ongoing related initiatives;
- Identify, prioritize and cost the infrastructure and other required investments for the project;
- Conduct project risk analysis;
- Identify and map relevant stakeholders including potential project financing entities;
- Support the development of the concept note and the project proposal in Bank's template.

## **Keys Deliverables**

- An inception report describing the assignment of the consultant, the detailed methodology and the updated work plan;
- A complete and detailed climate analysis and rationale for the project and the project sites;
- Feasibility studies for ToR the project (including (i) complete and detailed economic and financial analysis and financing models; (ii) Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment for the projects; (iii) technical, environmental, social, policy assessment of feasible options/solutions for the proposed project), and propose outcomes and recommendations with the most feasible and sound options for the project, including project Logical Framework and monitoring indicators;
- Finalized concept note in the AfDB's template and the project proposal developed with the support of the ICPAC PIU and the Bank.
- Provide a detailed, comprehensive document presenting the findings, analyses, and recommendations of the End-Term Evaluation. This report should cover:
  - Background and context of the project.
  - Methodology used for the evaluation.
  - Key findings based on the core activities.
  - Recommendations for future phases or similar projects.
  - Lessons learned from the project's implementation.

#### **Duration of Assignment:** Five (5) Months.

The IGAD Climate Prediction and Application Centre (ICPAC) now invites eligible consulting firms 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 *Procurement Policy, 2015*, which is available on the Bank's website at <a href="http://www.afdb.org">http://www.afdb.org</a>. Interested consultants may obtain further information between 08:00 hours to 16:00 hours at the ICPAC HQ.

Expressions of interest must be delivered by email by September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 2:30PM East Africa Time and mention "**Project End-Term Evaluation**, **Scale Up**, **Design and Proposal Development Consultancy.**"

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