REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRM SELECTION)



Country: REPUBLIC OF GHANA

MINISTRY OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE (MoFA)



Project Name: WEST AFRICA FOOD SYSTEM RESILIENCE PROJECT (FSRP) -

GHANA (Phase 2 of a Multiphase Programmatic Approach)

Project No.: P178132

Assignment Package:

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Reference. No.	Assignment Title
GH-FSRP PHASE 2-	Consulting Services for the Assessment , Technical Design and
435201-CS-QCBS	Construction Supervision of the Rehabilitation of 4-Selected Warehouses

The Government of Ghana has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the West Africa Food System Resilience Project (FSRP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include obtaining the services of a firm to assess the state of infrastructure and facilities at the selected warehouses, conduct engineering/ architectural studies, produce designs, and drawings, and supervise the rehabilitation and construction of the approved facilities.

The development objective of the FSRP is to increase preparedness against food insecurity and improve the resilience of food systems in Ghana. The FSRP is organized around five (5) core distinct but interrelated components to help achieve the objectives of the project. The project components include:

- Component 1: Digital Advisory Services for Agriculture and Food Crisis Prevention and Management
- Component 2: Sustainability and Adaptive Capacity of the Food System's Productive Base
- Component 3: Regional Food Market Integration and Trade
- Component 4: Contingent Emergency Response Component CERC
- Component 5: Project Management

The Ministry of Food and Agriculture (MoFA) is the government agency responsible for the implementation of the project.

The FSRP Component 3 has two (2) sub-components namely:

a. Sub-component 3.1: Facilitating trade across key corridors and consolidating food reserve systems Consolidate the Regional Agriculture Innovation Systems Sub-component

b. Sub-component 3.2: Supporting the development of strategic and regional value chains

Sub-component 3.2 will finance the rehabilitation of storage facilities, focusing on existing warehouses, to enhance their capacity, standards, and overall quality of service delivery. This effort is pivotal in improving food storage and expanding food storage and trade across West Africa, facilitating the effective distribution of surplus produce to deficit regions.

The scope of the assignment initially covers a total of four (4) warehouses. It is proposed that an individual consultant be engaged for the provision of technical services as follows:

- a. Preparation of a Technical Report, including all Engineering/ Architectural Drawings (where necessary) that clearly outline the full scope of works for rehabilitation of the approved facilities.
- b. Propose alternative design options including use of renewable energy such as solar, etc if they have not already been incorporated in the design of the facility. Some of the facilities already have solar systems but they are not working.
- c. Preparation of the Cost Estimates (Bill of Quantities) and Bidding Documents (using the appropriate World Bank Template) into lots, if required to facilitate the procurement of Construction Firm(s) for the Works.
- d. Preparation of Operations & Maintenance Manual as necessary.
- e. Supervision of construction works to complete the full scope for the rehabilitation and construction of the facilities and installation of equipment.

The Assignment will be divided into two (2) Parts:

- Part 1 Site Assessment, Determination of Scope of Works per each site, Detailed Architectural/Engineering Designs (the preparation of architectural plans and layouts), Costing, and preparation of bidding documents for the selected warehouse facilities
- Part 2 Construction Supervision of the Works & Equipment Installation covering the construction and installation period & Post Construction Defects Notification Period (DNP).

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The consultant shall conduct Part 2 of the Assignment only after satisfactory performance of Part 1 and the availability of funds for construction works. The consultant shall work closely with the FSRP Infrastructure Engineer through all phases of the assignment.

The Assignment is scheduled to commence by the **1st week of November 2024** and a planned duration of **Seven (7.0) calendar months**, consisting of four (4) months for Part 1 and three (3) Months for Part 2.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained at the address given below.

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REQUEST FOR EOI APPLICATIONS

- 1. The Ministry of Food and Agriculture through FSRP now invites consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the services described above. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:
 - (1) Core business and number of years in business (10 points);
 - (2) Technical and Managerial Organization of firm (20 points);
 - (3) Availability of Appropriate Skills among Staff (30 points); and
 - (4) Firm's experience in similar assignments (40 points).

The minimum qualifying score shall be **75 points.**

- 2. A shortlist of consulting firms will be compiled, and a consultant selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) Method procedures specified in the World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, (Fifth Edition, September 2023) and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the Procurement Guidelines. Subject to the availability of funds subsequent sites would be awarded through a framework agreement as indicated in the TOR.
- 3. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *i.e.* 0900 to 1700 hours.
- 4. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by 10.00GMT, **2**nd **August 2024.**

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