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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST No. 005/2025/EOI/RVCDP OF 26/03/2025 FOR THE SELECTION OF A CONSULTANT TO CARRY OUT THE BASELINE SURVEY OF THE RICE VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (RVCDP)

Name of Project	RICE VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT	- Control of the Cont
Sector	AGRICULTURE	
Consulting services	BASELINE SURVEY OF RVCDP	
Mode of Financing	GOC COUNTERPART FUNDS FOR FY 2025	
Project code	CMR 1027	

The Government of Cameroon has received financing from the Islamic Development Bank toward the cost of the Rice Value Chain Development Project (RVCDP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under the contract of consultant services of a Consultant for which this Expression of Interest is issued.

The services shall entail the undertaking of an exhaustive Baseline Survey touching on impacts, outcomes and outputs of the Rice Value Chain Development Project.

More specifically, the Consultant is expected to:

- Determine the exact baseline values of the different indicators (impacts, outcomes and outputs) in the updated log frame matrix annexed to the Terms of Reference per Region, per Basin and per donor;
- ii. Based on (i) above, review and propose realistic and attainable targets (to be monitored annually or otherwise by the PMU and other consultants) against which the baseline values will be compared and tracked during and after project implementation per Region, per Basin and per donor.

The total duration of the consulting services shall last for a period of three (3) months. The estimated time input (professional man-days) for the assignment is 270 man-days. The consulting services is expected to start in May 2025.

The detailed Terms of Reference (ToR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.rvcdp.org or can be obtained at the address given below.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MINADER) through the Project Management Unit (PMU) of RVCDP now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested Consultants must provide specific information which demonstrates that they are fully qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).

The shortlisting criteria are:

1. Experience with similar activities and projects as the consultancy: at least ten (10) years' experiences as a consultant in Monitoring and Evaluation activities and projects and must have carried out at least five (5) services of similar scope, and nature, and at least two (2) baseline surveys in the last ten (10) years, which have been successfully implemented.

2. Experience in the country and/or similar geographical areas. at least two services of similar projects carried out in Cameroon or other countries with similar conditions, cultural, administrative and government organizations.

3. Experience with IsDB projects or MDs projects. Experience in carrying out baseline surveys and similar activities in at least two (2) projects funded by IsDB or other multi-lateral donors successfully implemented.

4. **Nature of the firm:** Provide the firm's organigram to demonstrate the firm's technical and managerial capability as well as the certificate of incorporation of the firm or equivalent to demonstrate the nature of firm and its longevity in business as consultant.

N/B: Key Experts will **not** be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Paragraphs, 1.23, and 1.24 of the Guidelines for Procurement of Consultant Services under Islamic Development Bank Project Financing (the "Procurement Guidelines"), setting forth IsDB's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality Based Selection method limited to Local Consultants (QBS/LC) set out in the Procurement Guidelines.

The shortlist will be drawn up following the evaluation of expression of interests. The best qualified Consultant shall be invited to submit a technical and financial proposal for the assignment.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours on **Mondays to Fridays from 8:00-17:00 hours** (local time).

The period of preparation of expressions of interest is 14 days from the date of publication.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) accompanied by the compliance form completed with the required attachments latest on the 1/2/2025. The compliance form can be downloaded at the following website www.rvcdp.org or can be obtained from the address given below.

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