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RICE VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

(RVCDP)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

No. OFID 001/2025/EOI/AC/RVCDP OF 15/07/2025 FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF DESIGN AND SUPERVISION CONSULTANT

Mode of Financing: *OPEC Fund Loan*
Loan No. 15823P

The Government of Cameroon has received financing from the OPEC Fund toward the cost of the Rice Value Chain Development Project (RVCDP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consultant services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include:

Design and Supervision Consultant (DSC)

The service of a Design and Supervision Consultant is procured with the following major objectives:

- To provide engineering expert service/advise in pre-construction, construction, and post-construction phase of the project.
- To ensure the suitability/accuracy of designs, quality construction and transparent project management and execution.
- To mitigate/resolve probable technical problems/deadlocks associated with the project and hence accelerate project execution.
- To ensure technically sound project implementation and contract administration.
- To ensure proper project close-out.

The Supervision Consultant shall be required to provide necessary service/support to the implementing agency in engineering and contract management aspects of the project, so that above mentioned objectives shall be achieved.

Project Implementation Schedule

The total duration of the consulting services will be 33 months followed by a 12 months defects liability period. The consultant is expected to be on board five months before the start of procurement of civil works contracts to review all the detailed designs. All civil works contracts are expected to be completed within 32 months' duration. It is assumed that the total involvement of the consultant / duration of the contract will be 45 months.

The estimated time input (professional staff-months) for the assignment is 152. The

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consulting services is expected to start in January 2026 while the civil works are expected to start in March 2026.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment *can be found at the following websites: 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:

General experience as a firm:

- At least 15 years of general experience as a consultant in providing consultancy with core business activities in the domain: (Provide the firm's organogram 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, core business activities and its longevity in business as consultant).

Experience with similar activities and projects as the consultancy:

- At least ten (10) years' experience as a consultant in similar activities and projects and must have carried out at least three (3) similar projects of similar scope, and nature, in the last ten (10) years, which have been successfully implemented.
- Financial performance of the firm (annual financial reports of the last 3 financial years) to ensure that the firm is financially stable.
- Experience in the country and/or similar geographical and with OPEC Fund projects or Multilateral Donors (MDs) funded projects is of added advantage

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

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph G and Annex II of the OPEC Fund's *Principles for Procurement of Goods, Works and Services* ("Principles"), setting forth the OPEC Fund'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 and Cost Base Selection method (QCBS) set out in the Procedures for Procurement of Consulting Services.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours on **Mondays to Fridays from 8:00-17:00 hours** (local time).

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) latest on the **29/07/2025**.

Address: RICE VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (RVCDP)
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GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Country: **REPUBLIC OF CAMEROON**
PROJECT: **RICE VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (RVCDP)**
PUBLICATION: **GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE (GPN)**

Loan No: **15823P**
Project No.

The Government of Cameroon has received financing in the amount of USD 25 million equivalent from the OPEC fund for International Development (hereafter Fund) toward the cost of the **Rice Value Chain Development Project**, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, non-consulting services and consulting services to be procured under this project. This project will be parallel co-financed by the ISDB, BADEA, KUWAIT and Cameroon Government and OPEC Fund will cover the North-West region.

The project has six (6) components and OPEC Fund will cover Component 1, 2 and part of Component 5, which is Project Management Cost.

Component 1 will focus on construction of production/postharvest infrastructure and equipment as well as inputs for increasing rice production and productivity. Activities would include developing 5000ha of paddy field and its irrigation network, acquiring modern farm and post-harvest equipment, and acquiring seeds and complementary technologies through a partnership with the Institute of Agronomic Research for Development (IRAD).

Component 2 aims to enhance the profitability of smallholder farmers and small/medium-scale rice processors by improving their access to markets and capacity to add value to locally produced paddy and processed rice. Activities includes: constructions of rice processing units, setting up of market places and Market Information System, rehabilitation/construction of rural access roads and construction of warehouses.

Procurement of contracts financed by the OPEC Fund will be conducted through the procedures as specified in the OPEC Fund's *Principles for Procurement of Goods, Works and Services* ("Principles") and *Procedures for Procurement of Goods, Works, and Non-Consulting Services and Procedures for Procurement of Consulting Services* (hereafter collectively called "Procedures") and is open to all eligible firms and individuals.

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Specific procurement notices for contracts subject to international open competitive bidding will be announced, as they become available, in UN Development Business online, on the Fund's external website and ARMP, Cameroon tribune, RVCDP website

Prequalification/Initial selection of suppliers and contractors will be required for the following contracts: NOT APPLICABLE

Interested eligible firms and individuals who would wish to be considered for the provision of goods, works and consulting services for the above-mentioned project, or those requiring additional information, should contact the Beneficiary at the address below:

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