



REQUEST FOR CONSULTANTS' QUALIFICATIONS

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**Gabinete do Desenvolvimento do Compacto-II
On Behalf of:
The Government of Mozambique**

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**MCC Mozambique Compact II in Zambézia Province
Development of a Strategic Environmental and
Social Assessment and a Resettlement Policy
Framework for transport component of Compact II**

Ref No: MOZ-CDF-06-2022



Letter of Invitation Requesting Qualifications

Maputo, Mozambique

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Re: MCC Mozambique Compact II in Zambézia Province

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Dear Madam/Sir:

1. The Millennium Challenge Corporation (“MCC”) is in active collaboration with the Government of Mozambique, via the Compact Development Team (Gabinete do Desenvolvimento do Compacto-II (“GDC-II”), to develop a program focused on addressing selected root causes of Mozambique’s binding constraints of (1) poor agricultural policy, legal and regulatory framework, and (2) poor and climate vulnerable secondary and tertiary road infrastructure and low freight transport market competitiveness.
2. The Government of the Republic of Mozambique has asked MCC to work in the strategic and highly impoverished province of Zambezia to actively promote inclusive economic opportunity, climate and coastal resilience, and improved quality/access to public services and infrastructure. Projects under consideration include the following:
 - Connectivity and Rural Transport
 - Climate-smart, sustainable, and cost-effective rural road transport connectivity
 - Complementary sector reforms and institutional capacity building
 - Catalyze private sector-led strategies and investment
 - Investment Promotion in Commercial Agriculture
 - Reform institutions and policies to catalyze an inclusive commercial agriculture sector
 - Strengthen the investment framework, capacity, and agricultural production
 - Support gender-equitable opportunities and solutions
 - Integrated Climate Management and Coastal Development
 - Enable community-led mangrove and seagrass reforestation and land-use planning
 - Investigate the feasibility of marine economies and potential application of blue carbon credits



3. In furtherance of this development process, the Government, supported by MCC, will procure services for the Development of a Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment and a Resettlement Policy Framework for transport component of Compact II in Zambézia Province in Mozambique. Through this solicitation, we seek to procure services to undertake a high-level assessment of environmental and social impacts and risks to identify mitigation opportunities to inform feasibility and promote the sustainability of the proposed compact interventions and to prepare a Resettlement Policy Framework (RPF) to guide the management of land acquisition, involuntary resettlement, and livelihood restoration.
4. The Request for Consultants' Qualifications (RCQ) follows the General Procurement Notice that appeared in dgMarket and UNDB Online on July 20 & 22, 2022.
5. GDC-II now invites qualification documents from **consulting firms** to provide the consultant services referenced above. More details on these consultant services are provided in the RCQ which incorporates the Terms of Reference (TOR). This procurement - open to all eligible firms who wish to respond – is not for individual consultants. Submissions from individual consultants shall be rejected.
6. GDC-II intends to hire a consulting firm (the "**Consultant**") to provide the services detailed in the Terms of Reference.
7. Location: Mozambique (Zambezia Province)
8. Anticipated Start Date: November 2022
9. Duration of Assignment: 8 Weeks
10. The Estimated budget for this assignment is US\$140,000
11. A consulting firm will be selected under the ***Selection Based on Consultants' Qualifications (CQS)*** method in accordance with the procedures set out in the MCC Program Procurement Guidelines which are provided on the MCC website (www.mcc.gov/ppg). The selection process, as described, will include a review and verification of qualifications and past performance, including a reference check, prior to the contract award.
12. **Procedure:** GDC-II will evaluate the Qualifications using the criteria provided in Annex 2. The Consultant that attains the highest score (who also attains the minimum technical score required to pass) and presents a financial proposal in line with cost reasonableness analysis shall be invited for negotiations.



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13. Consultants interested in receiving the full RCQ and submitting Qualifications should register their interest by sending an e-mail (with subject: **Request for Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment and Resettlement Policy Framework RCQ**) to the Interim Procurement Agent at zenobia.maddy@crownagents.co.uk with copy to pernille.darville@crownagents.co.uk giving full contact details of the Consultant. This will ensure that the Consultants receive updates regarding this RCQ.
14. Any clarification on this RCQ including the TOR should be sent via e-mail to zenobia.maddy@crownagents.co.uk with copy to pernille.darville@crownagents.co.uk no later than **5:00pm SAST (GMT +2)** on **October 17, 2022**. GDC-II will provide responses to all clarification requests by **October 19, 2022**.

15. Submission Procedure

- a. The deadline for submission of qualifications is **5:00pm SAST (GMT +2)** on **October 31, 2022**
- b. Qualifications shall be in pdf format and submitted solely by electronic means; using this link: [Qualifications SESA RPE](#).
- c. This submission link will expire on the deadline. No hard copy submissions are permitted.
- d. The Technical Qualification forms (Form-QUALs) shall be incorporated into a single pdf document.
- e. The Financial Qualification forms (Form FINs) shall be submitted as a single pdf document.
- f. Technical and Financial Qualification forms are not required to be password-protected but may be protected at the Consultant's discretion. Consultants who choose to password-protect their Technical Proposals can do so to protect against inadvertent untimely opening of its proposal, but at their own responsibility for providing the correct password by the Qualification submission deadline.

16. Evaluation Procedure

- a. GDC-II will evaluate the Qualifications using the criteria provided in Annex 2.
- b. The Consultant that attains the highest score (who also attains the minimum technical score required to pass) shall have its Financial Proposal opened.



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- c. After opening the Proposal, GDC-II shall invite the Consultant for negotiations.

17. The Bid Challenge System is accessible from this [web link](#).

Yours sincerely,



10/07/2022

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National Coordinator

Gabinete do Desenvolvimento do Compacto-II, Mozambique