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(The Government of Federal Republic of Somalia)

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OF SOMALIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE

Somali Core Economic Institutions and Opportunities Program

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (Consulting Services – Individual Consultant Selection)

| Project ID: | P152241 |
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| Assignment Title: | Technical Assistance (TA) Procurement Specialist |
| Reference No.: | FGS/SCORE/ICS/2016/003 |

BACKGROUND OF THE PROJECT

The Federal Government of Somalia (FGS) has secured a grant from the World Bank administered by the Multi-Partner Fund (MPF) that will be applied towards implementation of the SCORE (Somali Core Economic Institutions and Opportunities Program) Project ("the Project") over a three year period.

A Technical Assistance Procurement Specialist ("Consultant") is required to support the Federal Government of Somalia (FGS) in the implementation of the Project. The objective of the Project is to improve the enabling environment for private and financial sector development and catalyze private investment and job creation. The Project is expected to be effective by March 2016.

OVERALL OBJECTIVE

The overall responsibilities of the TA Procurement Specialist are to: (i) advise the senior management of the FGS Ministry of Finance (MoF) on all procurement aspects of the Project; (ii) be responsible for coordination and implementation of all procurement activities within MoF and the line ministries (beneficiary institutions) pertaining to SCORE; and capacity building in MoF; iii) work with other specialist in the SCORE Project Implementation Unit to perform all necessary procurement under SCORE for the period of the assignment.

ASSIGNMENT DESCRIPTION

The Consultant shall do everything necessary to meet the above objectives, including but not limited to carrying out the following, by advising and/or by doing as necessary:

- The Procurement Specialist will support the FGS in effective implementation of SCORE, working closely with government counterparts and focal points to improve the procurement process to international acceptable standards with due regard to the socio-economic and political context of FGS;
- 2) Provide advice and ensure that all the procurement activities of the Project conform and are compliant with World Bank Procurement Guidelines;
- 3) Advise on the appropriate procurement methods to be used for procurement of goods and consultancy services under the Project;



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- 4) Assist project implementing agencies in actual operational procurement activities processing including: drafting procurement plans, Bidding Documents, adverts, Request for Quotations; procedures in issuing BDs, procedures in short listing suppliers for invitations for quotations, receipt of bids/quotations, opening of bids/quotations, evaluation of bids/quotations, preparation of evaluation reports and draft contract agreements...etc.;
- 5) Handle communications relating to procurement within the Project with all the focal points of government under the project and with outside agencies, as well as with the World Bank team working on the preparation of SCORE, etc.

Duration of the Assignment

It is expected that the services of the Procurement Specialist will be needed for a maximum of 190 calendar days spread across two full years, starting in or around March 2016. The duty station is Mogadishu, Somalia

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The Ministry of Finance of the <u>Federal Government of Somalia</u> now invites eligible Consultants to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

Qualification Criteria

The Consultant must possess the following:

- 1) The applicant shall have a Bachelor's Degree in one of the following: Procurement, Business Administration, Accounting, Finance, Engineering etc.
- 2) An advanced degree with a major in a relevant discipline is an added advantage;
- 3) A minimum of at least 10 years of direct relevant experience including broad expertise in the management of procurement in the public sector; Minimum of at least 5 years of experience in implementing procurement actions according to international organizations guidelines such as the World Bank, African Development Bank etc. for procurement of goods, services, and works; Minimum of at least 5 years of experience in implementing public sector procurement reforms in developing countries;
- 4) Proven work experience on country procurement systems and procedures;
- 5) Experience working in a Fragile State environment is desirable;
- 6) Excellent computer skills for Microsoft Office tools (Word, Excel, and PowerPoint) and Internet use;
- 7) Fluency in English is must with excellent written and oral communication skills;
- 8) High level interpersonal and relationship-building skills.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits* & *Grants by World Bank Borrowers* (January 2011 and revised July 2014) ("Consultant



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Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. Please visit <u>www.worldbank.org</u> setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment *as per paragraph 1.9 of Consultant Guidelines*.

The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on *Consultant's Qualification (CQS)* method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained by sending email requests at the email address below. Expressions of interest must be delivered (in person, by mail, or by e-mail) in a written form in three (3) hard copies to the address below by **5.00pm**, Wednesday the 17th February, 2016.

Attention

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