

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

LIBERIA

Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and Rural Finance Post -Ebola Reconstruction Project

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: **TF0A2356**

**Assignment Title: Consultancy for the Support of Capacity Building in the Liberian
Microfinance Sector**

Reference No. : MSMEP/C/CQS/01

The Government of Liberia has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the MSME and Rural Finance Post-Ebola Reconstruction Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include:

1. Help develop, organize, and host two-day international microfinance conference to attract attention to Liberia’s microfinance sector
2. Design and conduct one-week capacity building seminar on general microfinance operations, including targeted sessions on assessing consumers’ creditworthiness, designing and utilizing diverse financial products, and conducting outreach drives and developing strategic plans
3. Design and conduct two two-day targeted follow-up training seminars for MFIs, with the content to be agreed upon with Ministry of Finance and the World Bank after the initial week-long seminar
4. Design and conduct two-day targeted training seminars for each LCUNA, NEMIL, and NAPEX to build their capacity as microfinance associations.
5. Undertake other duties as per the requirements of the project or as directed by
Project Director

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

The Ministry of Finance and Development Planning (MFDP) now invites eligible individuals (“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. The shortlisting criteria are:

Team Leader

- The Team Leader must have a minimum of a Master’s Degree in Project Management, Public Administration, Economics, or equivalent;
- At least 15 years of experience in the microfinance sector;
- Work experience in the broader financial sector, NGO’s, INGO’S, donor-funded projects, and other relevant institutions will be an added advantage;

Financial Management Specialist

- The Team Leader must have a minimum of a Master’s Degree in Project Management, Public Administration, Economics, or equivalent;
- At least 10 years of experience in the microfinance sector;
- Work experience in the broader financial sector, NGO’s, INGO’S, donor-funded projects, and other relevant institutions will be an added advantage;

The assignment is for 25 days

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 (“Consultant Guidelines”).

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultants Qualification Selection method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from *0900 to 1700 hours*

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by 1700 hour on 23rd October, 2018.

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