

German Financial Cooperation with the Republic of Uganda

Drought Resilience in the Karamoja Sub Region Project

Consulting Services for Project Planning, design and Supervision

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Prequalification

Ref.: International, Open Tender for **Consultancy Services for Implementation Consultant for Planning, Design and Supervision for Drought Resilience Project in the Karamoja Sub-region**; PROC. REF: **MWE/CONS/19-20/00019**

Project Measures

KfW intends to enter into a contract with the Government of the Republic of Uganda for the implementation of this project. Related Consultant services will be contracted by the MWE.

The project objective is that “Settled and migrating livestock keepers have improved production base and drought resilience”.

The project is to support remedying the core problem through investments in water storage infrastructure (earth dam, valley tanks), improvement of services for livestock producers, proper operation and maintenance (O&M) of infrastructure and sustainable watershed / water resources management.

The foreseen project duration is 72 months, with a 4-year preparation and construction phase and a less consulting intensive 2-year O&M phase.

This procurement is subject to the approval of the German Ministry for Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the subsequent execution of the Financing Agreement.

Requested Services:

1. Services of an internationally experienced consultant company are required to support the MWE as Implementation Consultant (IC) in the implementation of the project. The services of the IC are the subject of this prequalification notice.
2. To reach the project’s objective and fulfil the social safeguard standards (participation, FPIC), technically the project (and thus the IC) has two main fields of action (apart from general project management tasks):
 - a) Infrastructure and other investment activities (“engineering”) and
 - b) participatory processes (“soft measures and safeguards”).

Some of the services needed for project implementation shall be implemented directly by staff of the IC; others shall be tendered out to “service providers”, like NGOs, experts, national/international companies and other actors. The required IC services include, among others:

- a) Initiation and implementation of a participatory process, presumably via contractors (e.g. NGOs), and supervision of their activities; this participatory process is anticipated to be of a long-term nature.
- b) Detailed design of water storage infrastructure, elaboration of related tender documents for contractors
- c) Support to contracting of an independent social compliance auditor to audit safeguard activities
- d) Set-up of overall and annual work plans
- e) Financial and procurement management (financial plans, procurement plan, operations manual etc.)
- f) Elaboration of an appropriate O&M concept for the water storage infrastructure (funding and implementation)
- g) Elaboration of Terms of Reference for ESIA/ESMP consultant, and supervision of related activities
- h) Supervision of contractor works
- i) Contracting of NGOs and other service providers for the implementation of soft measures and safeguards, and oversight/monitoring of their activities
- j) Guaranteeing the application and fulfilment of relevant KfW Guidelines; correspondent advice to MWE
- k) Contract management, project public relations, regular M&E, reporting, backstopping and other general issues.

The IC services are to be delivered by an experienced team of experts consisting of a number of key and non-key staff. Key staff may include an international expert in rural engineering/Team Leader with experience in similar projects and distinct experience in social and environmental aspects and participatory processes; international social and environmental expert; national rural/resident engineer; national social and environmental expert/Deputy Team Leader.

Demonstrated experience of the Applicant in steering German FC-funded / WB-funded projects and ensuring the project meets the applicable international environmental and social safeguard standards will be essential. The required kinds of expertise will include, but may not be limited to, financial management, public procurement, all technical aspects relating to the planning and construction of water storage infrastructure and its proper O&M; the implementation of participatory programs in agro-pastoral contexts, preferably in East Africa; livestock and rangeland management and improvement of the fodder base; water source protection, catchment management; improving livelihoods and basic (e.g., veterinary) services, including beneficiary training.

The prequalification of experienced Consultants is subject to the regulations contained in the “Guidelines for Assignment of Consultants in Financial Co-operation Projects” (see www.kfw-entwicklungsbank.de). The contract will be awarded to an independent Consultant firm with proven experience in the Rural Development and Food Security sectors and the region and a minimum annual turnover of EUR 3.0 million. Further information concerning the prequalification (Invitation for Expression of Interest) is available with the Head Procurement and Disposal Unit of the Ministry of Water and Environment, e-mail pdu@mwe.go.ug. Prequalification documents will be distributed electronically upon written request.