

**THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA**  
**MINISTRY OF WATER AND ENVIRONMENT**  
**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**  
(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

**UGANDA**

**INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

**LOAN NUMBER P163782**

**ASSIGNMENT TITLE: CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR STAKEHOLDER  
ENGAGEMENT, ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT FOR  
NYAMUGASANI AND BISTYA GRAVITY FLOW SCHEMES IN KASESE AND  
BUHWEJU RESPECTIVELY**

**REFERENCE NO: MWE/CONS/20-21/00007**

The Government of Uganda (GoU) has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Integrated Water Management and Development Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services **for Stakeholder Engagement, Environment and Social Risk Management for Nyamugasani and Bistya Gravity Flow Schemes.**

The consulting services (“the Services”) include: (i) To ensure that the ESIA/ESMP approved by NEMA and the World Bank is properly implemented at the site and the affected and beneficiary families/communities are properly informed and engaged, (ii) To maintain a constructive relationship with key stakeholders on an ongoing basis, ensure ownership, participation and support throughout the project implementation stages through meaningful engagement, capacity building and training of stakeholders and structures to fully understand the key aspects of the project; their roles and responsibilities in implementation and management of the project, (iii) Support in the implementation of the project RAP aimed at avoiding or minimizing, possible hardships and impoverishment that the project may cause, (iv) To assist the Rural Water Supply and sanitation component of the project in mitigating the potential social risk of the spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections and promotion of community health and safety and promote hygiene and sanitation in the project area aimed at improving and uplifting the health conditions of the communities, (v) To assist in establishing Grievance Redress Mechanisms (including a recording system) that are accessible to communities for claims, provide recommendations to the government team that are efficient to resolve these claims and find solutions, (vi) To assist in enhancing mechanisms to mitigate risks and respond to cases of GBV and VAC due to labour influx and the associated effects in projects and beneficiary communities.

The implementation period of the assignment is 33 months and is expected to commence in May 2021.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be accessed at <https://www.mwe.go.ug/library/tendersprocurement>.

The Ministry of Water and Environment (MWE) now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants should provide sufficient information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services. The shortlisting criteria for the firm’s capability and experience are:

1. A Minimum of 10 (ten) years of core business as a consultant in undertaking Stakeholder Engagements, Socio Economic, Environmental and Sanitation Situation Assessment & Baselines, Environment Management & Promotions, Social Risk Management & Assessment, Community Management and Assessments in Water, Sanitation and other infrastructure and community related projects.
2. Submit the firm’s organogram to demonstrate the firm’s technical and managerial capability.
3. Experience of at least 3 assignments similar in nature, type, scope in the following areas (the experience in these areas may be obtained from the same assignment or from different assignments but all areas must be covered):
  - (i) Stakeholder Engagements,
  - (ii) Socio Economic, Environmental and Sanitation Situation Assessment and Baselines,
  - (iii) Environment Management and Promotions,
  - (iv) Social Risk Management and Assessment, and
  - (v) Community Management and Assessments in Water, Sanitation and other infrastructure and community related projects.
4. Experience in similar conditions with at least two projects in Sub-Saharan Africa or other countries in the world at similar level of development as Sub-Saharan Africa.
5. Presence of appropriate skills among staff in the areas of Social Development, Environmental and Social Safeguards Management, Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) Implementation, Gender Based Violence (GBC), Violence Against Children (VAC) Management, and Health, Hygiene and Sanitation Promotion & Management (Please do not submit CVs and bio data of experts).

The attention of interested consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank’s ‘Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers’ July 2016 revised November 2018 [Procurement in investment Project Financing; Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services], setting forth the World Bank’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 Based Selection (QCBS)** method set out in the World Bank procurement regulation.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (Monday to Friday, 08:30 – 17:00 hours, except on public holidays).

Expressions of interest (**One Original plus Three Copies**) must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by courier, or by e-mail) by **14<sup>th</sup> December 2020**.

The packages must be clearly marked **Expression of Interest for Consultancy Services for Stakeholder Engagement, Environment and Social Risk Management for Nyamugasani and Bistya Gravity Flow Schemes**

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