

GHANA ECONOMIC MANAGEMENT STRENGTHENING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT (GEMS TA PROJECT)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

CONSULTANCY SERVICES (FIRM SELECTION)

CONSULTANCY TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE INTEGRATED ICT-BASED NATIONAL M&E SYSTEM

CREDIT NO: 5896GH

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The Government of the Republic of Ghana has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Ghana Economic Management Strengthening Technical Assistance Project (**GEMS TA PROJECT**), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for Consultancy to Develop a Comprehensive Integrated ICT-Based National Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) System.

1.0 BACKGROUND

The national M&E system needs strengthening to ensure that it is effectively coordinated and efficiently managed to deliver real-time information on projects and programmes at all levels of implementation. Enhancing citizens' engagement and forging system linkages both vertically (across levels) and horizontally (across institutions) would significantly promote accountability and transparency in the development efforts. NDPC seeks therefore to establish a national M&E system that effectively leverages ICT to engender participation of and reporting by the major stakeholders and integration of M&E processes of the various constituents of the decentralised planning system. The proposed M&E system aims to support the implementation of the PIM project adopted in 2015 to address challenges that have undermined the efficiency in the delivery of public investment projects and services.

2.0 SCOPE OF WORK / SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES

The scope of the assignment comprises, but not necessarily limited to the following major activities:

1. Review the existing national M&E System, including performance-based systems such as the GIFMIS, and set strategic direction for ICT-Based M&E system for Ghana using international best practices;

- 2. Review existing ICT systems such as the GIFMIS and their capabilities in meeting the mandate of the NDPC in terms of M&E.
- 3. Design and develop an integrated web based M&E System for the country which will encompass all required features which will be developed in conjunction with NDPC and ensure integration with GIFMIS.
- 4. Supply and install all hardware and security infrastructure required to run the M&E system
- 5. Ensure data integrity during and after M&E System implementation at all levels
- 6. Provide a high security and cost effective online portal at national, regional and district levels.
- 7. Provide proper documentation for all the modules installed at national, regional and district levels.
- 8. Provide training and reference manuals for different users at national, regional and district levels.
- 9. Provide two-year post implementation full support and one year limited support.

3.0 DURATION

The assignment is expected to be completed within a period of eleven (11) months from the contract signing date.

4.0 CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION

The shortlisting criteria are as follows:

- (1) Experience and past performance on similar assignments from the year 2013 up to 2018.
- (2) Capabilities with respect to facilities;
- (3) Availability of appropriate skills among five (5) staff
- (4) Required licensing and professional registrations; and
- (5) Commercial and financial resources.

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 ("Consultant Guidelines") [January 2011 Version revised in 2014], setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consulting Firm will be selected in accordance with Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) Method as set out in the Consultant Guidelines (Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers ("Consultant Guidelines") [January 2011 Version revised in 2014]).

5.0 SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Interested Consultants may obtain further clarification, preferably by e-mail, at the address below from 9.00AM to 4.00PM, Monday through Friday (except on public holidays).

Expressions of interest shall be in English and must be delivered in hard copies (one original and four copies) and clearly marked "EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE INTEGRATED ICT-BASED NATIONAL M&E SYSTEM" to the address below in person, or courier by **2.00pm** on **Wednesday 28 March, 2018.**

Please Note: No electronic submissions would be accepted. Sealed Proposals not submitted to Room 340 Third Floor, Main Block will be considered non-responsive.

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