



**REPUBLIC OF GHANA**

**MINISTRY OF FINANCE**

**GHANA ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION (GET) PROJECT (IDA CREDIT No. 6465-GH)  
REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REoI)  
(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRM SELECTION)**

**Reference No.:** GH-MOFEP-240301-CS-CQS

**Assignment Title:** Recruit Consultant to Prepare Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Greater Kumasi Industrial City and Special Economic Zones Project.

The Ministry of Finance has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Ghana Economic Transformation Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Project will be implemented through four Components, namely:

1. Enabling Investments;
2. Crowding-in investments;
3. Accelerating Entrepreneurship and Micro Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) Growth; and
4. Project Management and Evaluation.

The overall objective of the assignment is to: assess the environmental and social impacts and risks associated with the design, construction and operations of phase 1 of the Greater Kumasi Industrial City and Special Economic Zone Project and propose practical and effective mitigation measures to prevent or reduce any potential negative implications of the Project.

The consulting services ("the Services") includes to 1) conduct field assessment and establish baseline environmental (biophysical, social) description of the Project setting including both the direct and indirect areas of influence, (2) provide detailed baseline hydrological information for the site taking into account the anticipated works and their implications on the hydrology of the area, (3) carry out stakeholder identifications and identify and hold consultative meetings with key stakeholders in the Project focusing on the issues relating to Special Economic Zones and Industrial Parks establishments 4) Analyze existing data regarding Gender-based Violence (GBV), including data on partner/non-partner sexual violence and physical violence, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse/Sexual Harassment (SEA/SH), intimate partner violence, family violence, early marriage, and harmful traditional practices, especially those particularly at risk of being exacerbated by project implementation and operations. etc.

The duration of the assignment is 12 weeks. The assignment is expected to start in October 2021.

The detailed Terms of Reference (ToR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: <https://www.mofep.gov.gh/> or obtained at the address and emails given below.

The Ministry of Finance, through the Ghana Economic Transformation Project, now invites eligible consulting firms ("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:

- The firm or Consortium must be a legally registered consulting firm;
- at least 10 years of experience in environmental and social assessment, environmental and social safeguards audit and environmental and social management plans for government projects as well as projects funded by development partners such as the World Bank, Africa Development Bank and the EU; and
- Evidence of Technical and Managerial Capability.

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

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 2017, August 2018 and November 2020). ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment as per paragraph 3.17 of the Procurement Regulations. Any false declaration will result in disqualification.

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 Consultant Qualification Based Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 9:00 to 4:30 pm local time.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person, or by mail, or by email by July 16, 2021 at GMT16:00PM

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