



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES - FIRMS SELECTION)

NIGERIA

ECOWAS - WEST AFRICA UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION FOR REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND INCLUSION (WURI)

Project Reference N°.: P161329

Engagement of a Firm for the Development of Stakeholders' Assessment, Engagement and Management Strategy for the West Africa Unique Identification for Regional Integration and Inclusion (WURI) Project

Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) *has received a grant* from the World Bank toward the implementation of West Africa Unique Identification for Regional Integration and Inclusion (WURI) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the **Engagement of a Firm for the Development of Stakeholders' Assessment, Engagement and Management Strategy for the West Africa Unique Identification for Regional Integration and Inclusion (WURI) Project.**

The consulting services (“the Services”) include to conduct a comprehensive stakeholders’ assessment and elaborate the stakeholders ‘engagement and management strategy which will amongst things serve the purpose of:

- i. Sensitising all relevant stakeholders in the identification ecosystem to have a good understanding of the importance of a phased approach of using *f*ID systems to implement the ECOWAS National Biometric Identity Card (ENBIC).
- ii. Engaging the critical stakeholders to secure a common position on the regional agenda of *f*ID systems interoperability and mutual recognition of *f*ID credentials that enables access to services across the participating Member States.
- iii. Enhancing and fostering inter-agency collaboration and dialogues amongst the WURI participating Member States with the purpose of establishing interoperable *f*ID systems and mutually recognisable *f*ID credentials that enable access to services across the participating Member States.
- iv. Informing of the broad spectrum of stakeholders for the purpose of developing audience-sensitive advocacy and sensitisation messages during the programme lifetime.
- v. Engaging other actors operating in the digital identification and e-service delivery space within the West African region and the continent at large such as the BCEAO, Smart Africa, African

Union etc. for the purpose of knowledge and experience sharing, creating synergies and partnerships where possible.

The engagement commences from contract effective date for a period of three (3) months. The payments shall be done in line with contract's schedule.

The ECOWAS Commission 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. Key Experts will not be evaluated at the 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": *Procurement in Investment Project Financing – Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services, July 2016*, revised November 2017, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest in Consulting Services.

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's qualification-based Selection set* out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours **Monday to Friday from 9.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m. (GMT + 1) Local Time.**

**ECOWAS Commission, Directorate of General Administration,
Attention: Head of Procurement,
Procurement Division, Plot 101, Yakubu Gowon Crescent, Asokoro District, Abuja, NIGERIA.**

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Expressions of interest must be submitted electronically to sbangoura@ecowas.int with copy to procurement@ecowas.int, asiaw-boateng@ecowas.int, sabubakar-bello@ecowas.int, rguira@ecowas.int by **Friday November 11, 2022, at 11.00 a.m. (GMT + 1).**