

CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (RECRUITMENT OF INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS)

"Recruitment of Consultant for the Development of Guidelines on Harmonization of Legislation on Counter Terrorism"

Reference No. ECW/DAGS/PROC/DI/STC/18-09-2023/DG

- 1. The ECOWAS Commission plans to allocate a portion of its 2023 budget to fund the contract of Consultants for Development of Guidelines on Harmonization of Legislation on Counter Terrorism.
- 2. This consultancy assignment aims to create guidelines for aligning counterterrorism laws across ECOWAS member states.
- 3. The overall objective of this exercise is to develop a regional guideline on harmonization of legislations as a basis to facilitate member state develop/modify their national legal frameworks on the fight against Terrorism.
- 4. Duration: The expected duration of the assignment is **up to 3 months.**
- 5. The Consultant's tasks shall include the following:
 - Identify and list all the legislations on counter terrorism in members states
 - Highlight key differences in their respective legislations
 - Identify the challenges in prosecuting terrorism offences
 - Identify the inadequacies in the existing legislations
 - Propose a guideline for harmonizing the counter terrorism legislations in accordance with international best practices.
 - Produce the final reports in the 3 ECOWAS languages (ENGLISH, FRENCH AND PORTUGUESE)
- 6. The ECOWAS Commission invites eligible individual consultants ("Consultants") to express their interest in providing the services. **Interested consultants shall provide information showing that they have the qualifications and experience to provide the requested services**. *The applicants are to meet the criteria set out below:*

Experience

- MSc or higher academic qualifications in peace and security studies or related social sciences/humanities.
- Minimum of 5 years relevant experience in research methods and proven evidence of excellent analytical and report writing skills.
- Sound knowledge, skills and experience in peace and security framework of ECOWAS (the lead consultant should preferably be an ECOWAS national).
- Sound knowledge, skills and experience in Participatory approach, other qualitative/quantitative research methods.
- Experience in social research work especially at international levels.
- A good track record of similar or related activities previously conducted is desirable

Language

• The Individual consultant must have the capacity to speak and write in the three (3) ECOWAS official languages i.e. French, English or Portuguese (written and verbal communication).

NB: The ECOWAS Commission would like to draw the attention of interested consultants to Article 117 of the revised ECOWAS Procurement Code on "Fraud and Corruption", which provides information on fraudulent or corrupt practices in competition or contract execution. Furthermore, candidates are invited to take cognisance of the specific information on conflict of interest related to this consultancy service, under Article 118 of the revised ECOWAS Procurement Code.

7. The selection of the consultant will be made following the criteria for the *Selection of Individual Consultants* set out in the Guidelines for Consultants. The candidate with the highest score will be invited to submit a technical and financial proposal.

Interested consultants may obtain more information by contacting the Procurement Division using the emails below during working hours, i.e., Monday to Friday, from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (GMT +1).

Email: ikkamara@ecowas.int, with copy to: gdikko@ecowas.int; carmstrong@ecowas.int

8. Expressions of interest (1 original and 3 copies) must be submitted in sealed envelopes marked "Recruitment of Consultant for the Development of Guidelines on Harmonization of Legislation on Counter Terrorism" no later than Tuesday, 10th October 2023 at 11: 00 a.m. (GMT+1, Nigerian time) to the address below:

Administration & General Services, Procurement Division, First (1st) Floor of the ECOWAS Commission Headquarters, Plot 101, Yakubu Gowon Crescent, Asokoro District, P. M. B. 401 Abuja, NIGERIA

Please note that electronic submissions are also ACCEPTED and should be sent to the email addresses mentioned above in paragraph 7.

Commissioner for Internal Services