

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS)

**COUNTRY: NIGERIA** 

NAME OF PROJECT: WESTERN AFRICA REGIONAL DIGITAL INTEGRATION PROGRAM (WARDIP)

Grant No.: E264-3W

Assignment Title: Provision of Technical Assistance to improve data collection on cross-border ecommerce in the ECOWAS region.

Reference No. NG-WARDIP-ECOWAS-431829-CS-INDV

The Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS Commission) has received financing from the World Bank toward the implementation of the **Western Africa Regional Digital Integration Program (WARDIP)** and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include Technical Assistance to ECOWAS Commission and Member States for a period of one hundred and twenty (120) days, in enhance data collection that would aid formulating effective policies to support e-commerce growth.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: <a href="https://www.ecowas.int/procurement/procurement m/intellectual-services/">https://www.ecowas.int/procurement/procurement m/intellectual-services/</a>

The ECOWAS Commission now invites eligible Individual Consultants ("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 qualifications and relevant experience of the consultants must be supported by documents such diploma certificates, contracts, certificates of good performance, etc.

The evaluation criteria are:

## Qualifications and skills (support with evidence):

 Advanced university degree (i.e. master's degree) in Trade, Law, Economics, Development Studies or related field with relevance for the assignment.

## Professional experience (support with evidence):

- Ten (10) years of proven experience in trade policy formulation, regional integration and development, or related areas.
- Seven (7) years of experience in statistics or data analytics be included as working experience.
- Five (5) years of proven experience in Digital Trade/ ECommerce.



## Language:

 Knowledge and mastery of the ECOWAS Commission working languages such as: English, French and Portuguese.

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" September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Individual Consultant selection method** set out in the World Bank Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the email addresses below during office hours **0900 to 1700 hours**, **Nigerian Time**.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the addresses below by e-mail by **January 6<sup>th</sup>**, **2025**, **at 5:00 p.m. Nigerian Time.** 

**ECOWAS Commission** 

Attention: Commissioner Infrastructure, Energy and Digitalization

Abuja, Nigeria

E-mail: <u>wardiprecruitment@ecowas.int</u> and copy <u>pbessi@ecowas.int</u>; <u>bahibra@yahoo.fr</u>; <u>mamoa@ecowas.int</u>; <u>folagunju@ecowas.int</u>; <u>ikkamara@ecowas.int</u>; <u>sbangoura@ecowas.int</u>.

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Attachment: ToR of the assignment