

EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY



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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES)

REFERENCE: EAC/PSSIP/QCBS/2019/29

Sector: **Financial Sector** ADF Grant No: **2100155023918** Project ID No: **P-Z1-HZ0-003**

The East African Community (EAC) has received financing from the African Development Fund (ADF) toward the cost of the implementation of *EAC Payment and Settlement Systems Integration Project (EAC-PSSIP)* and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this grant to payments under the contract for *Consultancy Services for the Implementation of a Central of Payment Incidents (CPI) for the Bank of the Republic of Burundi (BRB)*.

The specific objectives of this consultancy will include, among other, the following:

- a) Review the minimum expected functionalities of the CPI and make necessary modifications/additions that are necessary and effective to achieve objective of the implementation of a CPI at the BRB;
- b) Provide detailed specifications of the CPI according to the expectations expressed by the BRB and modifications and/or additions made by the Consultant and validated by the BRB;
- c) Finalize the discussions on the functional and technical specifications of the CPI as provided;
- d) Develop the different applications/modules required from the CPI;
- e) Ensure the knowledge transfer to the BRB's technical team by closely involving its members in the development of the applications/modules required by the CPI;
- f) Provide the integration tools (interfaces) of the CPI with the different information systems of the participants;
- g) Collaborate closely with the integrators/providers and users of the information systems linked (or to be connected) with the CPI;
- h) Ensure compliance with the security of the target system (CPI) and scalability;
- i) Provide the necessary documents and tools for system testing, start-up and operation of the CPI solution;
- j) Perform the tests of the system and ensure that the CPI solution meets the functional and technical requirements expressed in the detailed specifications of the system;
- k) Make available to the BRB all the complete documentation on the product;
- l) Ensure the effective commissioning of the system and assist the Central Bank for a period of one month after go live;
- m) Provide system support and maintenance for a period of at least five (5) years from the date of expiration of the warranty

The working language throughout the assignment period will be **FRENCH**.

The EAC Secretariat now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (**company background information, legal documents of the company, description of similar assignments, experience in similar projects, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.**). Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Fund's "**Rules and Procedures for the use of Consultants**" (May 2008 Edition, Revised July 2012), which is available on the Fund's website at <http://www.afdb.org>. The EAC Secretariat is under no obligation to shortlist any consultant who expresses interest.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below **via email or hand delivery** by Monday **16th September, 2019** at **0900hrs** Arusha local time and mention "*Consultancy Services for the Implementation of a Central of Payment Incidents (CPI) for the Bank of the Republic of Burundi (BRB)*".

Please note, Firms who already expressed interest in the initial advertisement should not re-submit their expressions of interest.

The East African Community (EAC)

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