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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

Country: **KENYA**

Name of Project: **National Agricultural and Rural Inclusive Growth Project (NARIGP)**

Credit No.: **P153349**

Assignment Title: Recruitment of Service Provider for Tomato Value Chain Extension Advisory Services

Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): KE - TRANS NZOIA COUNTY-172413-CS-CQS

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **National Agricultural and Rural Inclusive Growth Project (NARIGP)**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include extension advisory services for Tomato Value Chain on time-based basis over an estimated period of 15 months. NARIGP development objective is “to increase agricultural productivity and profitability of targeted rural communities in selected Counties.” The Services will comprise the following major activities with a view of increasing productivity at farm level and profitability at all levels of the value chain;

- (a) Mobilizing communities (CIGs/VMGs and building their capacities to plan, implement, manage, and monitor community-level micro-projects along their Tomato VCs;
- (b) Federating CIGs and VMGs capacitated above to join existing producer organizations (POs) (or form new ones in cases where none exist) along Tomato VCs;
- (c) Providing advisory services on primary production TIMPs (technologies, innovations, and management practices)—such as improved inputs, animal husbandry, and agronomic practices—to increase agricultural productivity;
- (d) Management of natural resources, particularly soil and water, which are critical to improving agricultural productivity and the well-being of rural communities;
- (e) Providing technical (value addition), business (planning and management), financial (access to credit/finance), and organizational (leadership and governance) advisory services; and linking them to markets and value addition opportunities; and
- (f) Fostering an enabling environment for the private sector and PPPs to operate and grow.

The County Government of Trans Nzoia 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:

- (i) Minimum of five years’ relevant experiences (2015 to present) and technical capacity in provision of technical, business, financial and organizational advisory services (provide details);
- (ii) At least three (3) assignments of similar nature in the past five years (2015 to present), one of which should have been in similar value chain; and
- (iii) Demonstrable experience in providing advisory services on primary production TIMPs (provide details).

Key Experts will not be evaluated at this stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank’s *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers*, January 2011 Revised July 2014 (“Consultant Guidelines”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a subconsultancy to enhance their qualifications. **All the members of the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire assignment. However, the experience of subconsultant will not be considered while short-listing.**

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Selection Based on the Consultants’ Qualifications (CQS)** method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *0900 to 1600 hours*.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by Friday 12th June, 2020.

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