

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)**

COUNTRY: The Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia

NAME OF PROJECT: Improvement of Sanitation Facilities in Urban areas of Ethiopia

GRANT NO.:

ASSIGNMENT TITLE: Sanitation Programme Technical Assistance and Capacity Building for Water Resources Development Fund (WRDF) and Town Water Utilities (TWUs).

REFERENCE NO.: ET-WRDF/CS/QCBS/01/2019

The Government of Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia has received a loan from the Italian Government for a sanitation project entitled "Improvement of Sanitation Facilities in Urban areas of Ethiopia, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

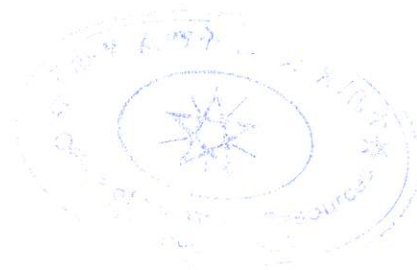
The consulting services ("the Services") include: Sanitation Programme Technical Assistance for Water Resource Development Fund (WRDF) and Town Water Utilities (TWUs).

The services included under this project but not limited to be:

- Review/assess all documents related with policy, directive, mandates, strategies, design criteria and other relevant documents in urban sanitation (liquid waste) management and implementation at the national level;
- Assess the existing institutional set up and its gaps with regard to urban sanitation (liquid waste) and implementation at WRDF and Town Water Utility (6 utilities) level;
- Assess the existing WRDF capacity and system with regard to urban sanitation (liquid waste) project appraisal and implementation;
- Asses and survey the existing sanitation condition of the 6 towns, which is required for selection of the best suitable option in line with the new socio economic development of the project area and other factors;
- Assess relevant international practices in urban sanitation management and implementation particularly in developing countries (similar scenarios to Ethiopia),
- The consultant will be in charge of preparing feasibility study with detail sanitation Master Plan (s) for 6 towns and recommend feasible sanitation intervention options for each towns which will then further refined in details by an external consultant. The feasibility study shall recommend the tariff setup for the new sanitation intervention of the 6 towns considering the long term loan financing;
- Review and customize the existing WRDF On-lending agreement for urban sanitation projects loan financing;
- Establish a Urban Sanitation Unit at WRDF and Town Water Utilities/Regional water Bureaus;
- Prepare capacity building proposal with training material then conduct the training for WRDF and selected Town Water Utilities/Regional water bureaus, recommend the external training and experience sharing for the sanitation program. The capacity building recommendation/proposal has to include the material requirement both WRDF and Utility level;
- Give technical support to WRDF during hiring process of external consultant who prepare final feasibility study and detail design;
- The consultant is expected to support the WRDF Sanitation Unit in key moments of the programme implementation as required, including but not limited to the areas of programme audit requirement, safe guard requirements, monitoring checklist drafting and midterm review, setting up programme performance indicators.

The short listing criteria are:

- core business and years in business;
- qualification and experience in the field of assignment;
- organizational, managerial and technical capabilities of the firm; and
- General qualification and number of key staff, but not individual experts' bio data.



The Water Resource Development Fund (WRDF) 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 (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar projects/Conditions, 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 World Bank "*Rules and Procedures for the use of Consultants*" May 2008 Edition, Revised July 2016, which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.worldbank.org>.

Consultants will be selected using **Quality and Cost Based selection (QCBS)** method. Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours: from 08:30 to 12:30 hours and from 01:30 to 05:30 hours, Mondays to Thursdays and 08:30 to 11:30 and 01:30 to 05:30 on Fridays.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below on or before 30 January, 2020 at 10:00 a.m (local Time).

Address:

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