



## **MULTINATIONAL PROJECT: SOMALILAND/DJIBOUTI- NAGAD-LOWYADDO-BORAMA ROADS PHASE 1 UPGRADING PROJECT**

### **CONSTRUCTION OF THE LOWYADDO- BORAMA ROAD - FROM LAWYADDO TO ZEILA (30KM)**

#### **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI)**

#### **RECRUITMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARD SPECIALIST – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT**

**Sector: Transport Project ID No.: P- Z1-DB0-251**

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1. The Government of the Somaliland has received financing from the African Development Bank (AfDB) to finance the **Multinational project between Somaliland and Djibouti namely Negad- Lowyaddo-Borama Road project**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for this loan to make eligible payments under the contract for the provision of **Consultancy services for ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARD SPECIALIST (Individual Consultant) for the proposed construction of the Lowyaddo- Borama Road -Phase 1 from Lawyaddo to Zeila (30km)**
2. The Consultancy Service, among others, will include Ensuring that the implementation of the project activities is in conformity with Somaliland's environmental policies and laws, and the African Development Bank (AfDB) environmental safeguards policies., and (ii) Paying special attention to risks that can occur before construction, during construction, and when any facility breaks down and mitigation measures before, during and after construction: Scope of services in included in the Terms of Reference.
3. It is envisaged that the Consultant's Services will be for a duration of **Eighteen (18) months**.
4. The Somaliland Roads Development Agency (SRDA) being the implementing agency of the Government of the Somaliland now invites eligible Individual Consultants to indicate their interests in providing the above services.
5. **MODE OF APPLICATION** Interested candidates should submit their (i) short cover letter, (ii) Curriculum Vitae (CV) using the Bank's template provided and detailing educational qualifications and relevant work experience in line with the details provided with copies of

academic and professional qualifications demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Service, and (iii) financial proposals indicating their proposed monthly fees in USD. Facilitation for official travel outside the workstation will be met separately by the Client (RDA).

6. Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's ***"Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations"-August, 2015***, which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>. Borrowers/Recipients are under no obligation to shortlist any consultant who expresses interest.
7. Interested consultants may obtain further information and clarifications at the address below during office hours **08:30 – 16:00hours local time on Saturdays – Wednesdays, and 08:00 – 13:00 hours local time on Thursdays except on Public Holidays.**
8. Expressions of interest in English with detailed Curriculum Vitae, and Cover letter must be delivered in written form and clearly marked **"EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARD SPECIALIST – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT"** to the address below

Attention:

**General Manager**

Somaliland Roads Development Agency  
31<sup>st</sup> May District, Pepsi Area,  
Opposite Ministry of Water Development  
Hargeisa, Somaliland

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and [cabdilaahia@yahoo.com](mailto:cabdilaahia@yahoo.com)

so as to be received on or before **27 March 2025** at **09:00 hours Local Time**. Electronic submissions may also be sent to the email address above by the submission deadline. The format for electronic submission shall be PDF.

**NB: One Submission of Expressions of Interest (EOI)**

**General Manager**

**Somaliland Roads Development Agency**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARD SPECIALIST**

## A. INFORMATION SHEET

<b>1</b>	<b>Project Identification</b>	MULTINATIONAL PROJECT: SOMALILAND/DJIBOUTI-NAGADLOWYADDO-BORAMA ROADS PHASE 1 UPGRADING PROJECT (30km) Funding: African Development Bank (AfDB) Project ID no: P-Z1-DBO-251
<b>2</b>	<b>Country</b>	Somaliland/Somalia
<b>3</b>	<b>Consultancy services</b>	Environmental Safeguard Specialist– Individual Consultant
<b>4</b>	<b>Location of Service</b>	Somaliland Roads Development Agency (RDA) Hargeisa, Somaliland
<b>5</b>	<b>Recipient</b>	Somaliland
<b>6</b>	<b>Executing Agency</b>	Somaliland Roads, Development Agency Opposite of the Ministry of Water Development, Pepsi Area, 31 <sup>st</sup> May District, Hargeisa, Somaliland E-mail: <a href="mailto:srda@procurement@gmail.com">srda@procurement@gmail.com</a>

## B. BACKGROUND

The Government has requested for financial assistance from the African Development Bank for the construction of the Lowyaddo- Borama Road -Phase 1 from Lawyaddo to Zeila (30km) as part of the Multinational project between Somaliland and Djibouti namely Negad- Lowyaddo-Borama Road project. The development objective of the project is to improve transport efficiency and effectiveness, regional integration and trade between Somaliland and its neighbours in the Horn of Africa region and beyond. The specific objective of the project is to improve transport and communication along the road corridor by reducing travel time, reducing travel cost, reducing vehicle operating costs and improving road traffic safety along the project road as well as providing efficient and effective transport system and promoting trade and regional integration

## C. OBJECTIVE OF THE SERVICES

The main objective of the assignment is to provide expert assistance to RDA in Environmental Safeguards.

The specific objectives of the Services are to help the RDA's Project Implementation Unit (PIU) team and members to secure the best outcomes of the Organization by:

- Ensuring that the implementation of the project activities is in conformity with Somaliland's environmental policies and laws, and the African Development Bank (AfDB) environmental safeguards policies.

- Paying special attention to risks that can occur before construction, during construction, and when any facility breaks down and mitigation measures before, during and after construction.

#### **D. SCOPE OF SERVICES**

Reporting to the Project Coordinator, the Environmental Safeguard Specialist will have the following duties and responsibilities:

- Coordinate closely with the Project Implementation Unit (PIU), consultants, and contractors in planning and managing safeguards on the project;
- Provide necessary technical assistance to facilitate the implementation, management and Monitoring of environmental safeguards;
- Ensure environmental and social due diligence is carried out for each sub-project as soon as technical design and scope have been defined;
- Review environmental assessment documents and through the Project Coordinator, liaise with the African Development Bank (AfDB) for clearance.
- Prepare additional technical guidelines, if necessary, to support the safeguards instruments in order to strengthen the implementation of environmental safeguards;
- Ensure adequate public consultation during the preparation of safeguards instruments as defined by the safeguard frameworks and Project implementation Manual;
- Hold regular safeguards review meetings with consultants and contractors and carry out regular site visits to monitor implementation of the safeguards instruments;
- Supervise and undertake technical review of Environmental and Social Impact Assessments (ESIAs), Environmental Audits, and Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMPs) by consultants, and Contractors, and follow-up on acquisition of any relevant Government of Somaliland and AfDB Approvals.
- Provide guidance on implementation of project mitigation measures as per approved safeguards documents.
- Undertake environmental monitoring and supervision of project works, including development of monitoring compilation of periodic (quarterly, semi-annual, and annual) progress reports, to ensure compliance with relevant environmental requirements.
- Undertake capacity development of consultants, and Contractors during project implementation with respect to planning and implementation of environmental safeguards, including conduct of project awareness, communication and sensitization activities.
- Through the Project Implementation Unit, liaise with relevant authorities and government agencies to ensure adequate implementation of all requirements in line with Government of Somaliland and the AfDB environmental safeguard policies and laws.
- Developing training plans and providing training on environment issues during implementation of the project and associated works to the project implementing staff, Contractors and other relevant project stakeholders;
- Perform any other related tasks as may be assigned by the project coordinator

## **E. REQUIRED QUALIFICATION**

- The Environmental Specialist must have a Master's Degree in Environmental Sciences, Natural Resources Management or a related field from a recognized University/Institution with strong infrastructure development projects experience
- Postgraduate qualifications and experience in Environmental Impact Assessment/ Environmental Audit (EIA/EA) and monitoring are added advantages.
- A minimum of 5 years' experience in areas of conducting a comprehensive Environment and Social Impact Assessments and Analyses
- She/He must have significant practical experience with the Development Finance Institutions with preference to African Development Bank's safeguard policies evidenced from similar work carried out in the past works
- The Environmental Safeguard Specialist's summary competencies & functions among others include the following: Understands environmental risk analysis and management; Understands occupation health and safety management; Understands environmental, occupational health, and safety laws, regulations and requirements of Somaliland; Identifies safeguard compliance issues and proposes strategies for assuring compliance; Understands how environmental safeguards fits into project cycle; Ability to effectively communicate and provide guidance to project implementing teams
- Ability to make timely and quality judgement and decisions
- Computer Literacy in Microsoft applications

## **F. EVALUATION CRITERIA**

Eligibility and selection procedure shall be Individual Consultant Selection (ICS) in accordance with the African Development Bank's "Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations dated October 2015", which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>. The selection of Individual Consultant shall be based on (i) Consultant's experience relevant to the Assignment (ii) Competency/Qualification of the Consultant relevant to the Assignment

### **Evaluation Criteria for the Expressions of Interest (CVs)**

- General qualifications and adequacy for the proposed assignment: 30 points
- Similar experience in the area of expertise of the assignment : 50 point
- Experience with the Bank or other international institutions : 10 points
- Knowledge of the local conditions i.e. local language, culture, administrative system and government organization: 10 points
- **Total : 100 points**

Only consultants who have obtained **75** points or more will be considered for further evaluation. All consultants will be ranked in descending order and the first on the list shall be retained for the assignment if the proposed professional fees fall within the limits of the budget.

## **G. DURATION OF THE ASSIGNMENT**

The assignment will be an initial period of 12 months renewable subject to availability of budget and a satisfactory annual performance evaluation.

## **H. SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS**

During negotiations, the client will agree with the consultant on an all-inclusive monthly payments based on monthly professional remuneration and subsistence allowances, and eligible reimbursable costs.

The Expert will be paid in USD currency upon submission and approval of the activity report.

## **I. FACILITIES, DATA TO BE PROVIDED BY RDA**

The Client (RDA) will provide the expert with the following:

- Provide office facilities and necessary office equipment and supplies to enable the technical Expert to discharge his/her duties;
- Liaison and assistance with any information or documents required from RDA or other agencies which the Client considers essential for the proper and effective execution of his/her duties and functions;
- Copies of all relevant reports and assessments undertaken by entities concerned in relation to components of the services;
- Transport to the consultant when moving to the project sites and related Per diem including overnight stay and without overnight stay outside Hargeisa, the consultant is not eligible to Per diem.

## **J. OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

The successful candidate will be required to bring his/her own computer/laptop, and possess required software installed. Communication and local transportation requirements within the country shall be covered by the consultant. Transportation for field visits will be provided by the Client as stated in paragraph H.

## **MODEL CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)**

Title of the Assignment:

Department:

Surname:

First Name:

Birth Date:

Nationality:

Address:

Country:

Telephone:

E-mail:

<b>Are any of your family members (spouse/partner, father/mother, Brother/sister, Son/daughter, etc. employed in the African Development Bank?</b>			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No « Yes », the following data must be provided
Name	Relationship	Organization Unit	Place of Assignment

Language Level	Read		Written		Spoken	
English	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent
French	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent
Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good	<input type="checkbox"/>	Good
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/>	Excellent

**Key Qualifications:**

Please provide (i) a summary of your experience and training highlighting the most relevant for the proposed assignment, and (ii) the responsibilities which you exercised. Utilize one half-page maximum.

Education (University Level and above only):

Name of University - City – Country	Period		Degree/Diploma Obtained	Main Topic/Major
	From	To		

Name of Training Institution - City – Country	Period		Type of Training	Certificate or Diploma Obtained
	From	To		

**Employment Record:**

Begin with your most recent employment. For each job since your Master Degree achievement, please indicate:

- Name of Employer
- Type of Activity/Business of Employer
- Title/Function
- Place of Employment
- Brief description (three lines maximum) of main accomplishments and responsibilities

**Reference:**

Please indicate the name and address of three persons with no family relationship with yourself, familiar with your character and titles.

**Declaration:**

I hereby certify that the responses which I have provided above are all, to the best of my knowledge, true, complete and accurate. I acknowledge that an inaccurate statement or essential omission in a personal declaration or another document required by the African Development Bank might result in the rejection of my application, termination of my Contract or any other administrative sanction by the Bank. The African Development Bank may verify any statement which I made in this application. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ *Signature:*