**UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA**

**PRIME MINISTER’S OFFICE**

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***PROJECT NO. 4429***

Letter of Invitation Requesting Proposals

27th January 2023

**Re:** Feasibility Study for the Operation of Longline Fishing Vessel/S and Fish Processing Plants in Tanzania Under Public-Private Partnership

1. The Government of the United Republic of Tanzania has received financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and intends to apply a part of the financing for the execution of the consulting services assignment described in paragraph 3 below.

The use of any IFAD financing shall be subject to IFAD’s no-objection, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the financing agreement, as well as IFAD’s rules, policies and procedures. IFAD and its officials, agents and employees shall be held harmless from and against all suits, proceedings, claims, demands, losses and liability of any kind or nature brought by any party in connection with Agriculture and Fisheries Development Programme (AFDP)***.***

2. The Agriculture and Fisheries Development Programme (AFDP)seeks to achieve self-sufficiency in the sustainable production and supply of quality fish, fishery products and agricultural commodities for domestic and export markets. The objective of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is related to the fisheries sector of the AFDP. Specifically, this RFP is for undertaking of a Feasibility Study for the Operation of Longline Fishing Vessel/s and Fish Processing Plants in Tanzania Under Public-Private Partnership. Funds under the AFDP shall be applied for financing of consulting services for the feasibility study.

3. The client now invites proposals (“proposals”) from consulting firms to provide the following services (“services”): “**Feasibility Study for the Operation of Longline Fishing Vessel(s) and Fish Processing Plants in Tanzania Under Public-Private Partnership**”. More details on these services are provided in the terms of reference – Section VI.

4. Subject to restrictions noted in the RFP, consultants may associate with other consultants to enhance their capacity to successfully carry out the assignment.

5. A consultant will be selected using Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) evaluation procedure in accordance with the IFAD Procurement Handbook dated September 2021, which is available at [www.ifad.org/project-procurement](http://www.ifad.org/project-procurement). The selection process, as described, may include a reference check, prior to contract award.

6. The RFP includes the following sections:

Part 1 – Proposal and Selection Procedures

Section I Letter of Invitation Requesting Proposals (LOI)

Section II Instructions to Consultants (ITC)

Section III Proposal Data Sheet (PDS)

Section IV Qualification and Evaluation Criteria

Section V A Technical Proposal Forms

Section V B Financial Proposal Forms

Section VI Terms of Reference

Part 2 – Conditions of Contract and Contract Forms

Section VII Contract Agreement and General Conditions of Contract (GCC)

Section VIII Special Conditions of Contract (SCC), Annexes to Contract and Contract Forms

Section IX Revised IFAD Policy on Preventing Fraud and Corruption in its Activities and Operations

7. A pre-proposal conference will be held as described in the proposal data sheet (“PDS”), Section III of this RFP.

8. Proposals must be submitted through Tanzania national electronic procurement System (TANePS) accessed at www.taneps.go.tz and in the manner specified in the PDS ITC 20.3, 20.5 and 20.7, no later than 14:00 Hrs. (local time) of 17th March. 2023.

9. Late proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances.

10. Electronic proposals ***shall only*** be accepted. Proposals must be submitted throughTanzania national electronic procurement System (TANePS) accessed at [www.taneps.go.tz](http://www.taneps.go.tz). Hardcopy proposal document submission is not acceptable.

11. The request for proposals will be advertised in newspapers in Tanzania, UNDB and Tanzania National Procurement System (TANePS) accessible through [www.taneps.go.tz](http://www.taneps.go.tz).

12. Consultants are required to register on TANePS and pay tender participation fee as indicated on TANePS to be able to participate in this selection process

Yours Sincerely,

Permanent Secretary,

Prime Minister’s Office,

Policy, Coordination and Parliament