

EQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI)

COUNTRY: Federal Republic of Somalia (FRS)

NAME OF PROJECT: SOMALIA ENHANCING PUBLIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROJECT (SERP)

PROJECT ID: P177298

Grant No.: IDA-E1360/TF-B9920

Project Name: Somalia Enhancing Public Resource Management (SERP)

Project Number: SERP-P177298

Post Title: Contract Management Officer

Reference No.: SO-MOF-419905-CS-INDV

Duty Station: Ministry of Finance, Federal Government of Somalia, Mogadishu

1. Background:

The Federal Republic of Somalia has received financing from The World Bank through the Ministry of Finance (MoF) toward the cost of Somalia Enhancing Public Resource Management Project (SERP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds towards the recruitment of Contract Management Officer for SERP Coordination Unit at Ministry of Finance, Federal Government of Somalia (FGS).

The World Bank, through (SERP) is supporting Somalia to improve institutions and service delivery to strengthen the social contract. This is part of a broader effort to build state legitimacy and reduce institutional fragmentation. For Somali citizens to be willing to contribute to public revenues, they must trust in the state's capability to discharge its basic functions and deliver public services. Similar trust is required to boost external funding for essential services and humanitarian support, such as for drought and famine, and to channel these via government institutions and systems. This requires, on the one hand, bolstering the institutional capacity of the state, and on the other hand, addressing fragmentation and strengthening the transparency and accountability in managing public resources.

The Ministry of Finance of the Federal Republic of Somalia seeks an experienced, highly qualified, and committed Contract Management Officer for the SERP.

2. OVERALL OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSIGNMENT.

The Contract Management Officer will be responsible for all contract management activities for the project including setting expected performance standards, completing procurement processes, conducting technical contract monitoring, documentation and reporting on satisfactory fulfillment of contractual obligations, and advising on contract amendments, cancellation, and authorization of invoice acceptance and payments, and ensuring transparency and accountability of processes through proper record-keeping.

3. Selection Criteria: Selection shall be based on qualification and experience of the candidate and followed by an interview. The qualification, experience and skills should include:

- Bachelor's degree in business administration, Commerce, Economics, Project Management, Procurement and Logistics Management, or related fields.

- At least five years of experience in Procurement and Contract Management including working with Federal Government or projects funded by international agencies.
- Excellent IT/computer skills, including proficiency in MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint) and Outlook.
- Strong communication skills and persuasiveness in facilitating, presenting, negotiating, and resolving highly complex issues, both orally and in writing in English
- Ability to work independently and maintain flexibility in working hours.
- Proficiency in spoken and written English and Somalia.

4. Duration: The contract duration is Twelve (12) months renewable based on satisfactory performance and availability of budget.

5. Reporting Obligations: The Contract Management Officer will report to SERP coordinator and will closely work with the SERP Procurement Specialist.

The Ministry of Finance now invites eligible Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in providing the above-mentioned services. Interested consultants must provide the following: (i) Curriculum Vitae (CV) with 3 reference persons; (ii) copies of certificates of academic qualifications; and (iii) cover letter indicating that they are qualified to perform the services.

6. SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS; The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to section III, para 3.14,3.16 & 3.17 of the World Bank's *Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers: Procurement in Investment Projects Financing Goods, Works, Non -Consulting and Consulting Services, July 2016, revised November 2017, August 2018, November 2020 and September 2023* ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant method set out in the World Bank Procurement Regulations.

Interested applicants may obtain further information including a detailed Terms of Reference from the Ministry by requesting via e-mail to the address given below during office hours from 9.00 a.m.– 4.00 p.m. Saturday to Thursday excluding public holidays.

Deadline: Expressions of interest and CV must be delivered to these emails: serprecruitment@mof.gov.so on or before 16:00 hours, **May 10th, 2024**, with email subject marked clearly as **"SERP Contract Management Officer-REF: SO-MOF-419905-CS-INDV.**

Female candidates are encouraged to apply.