



Millennium Development Authority (MiDA)

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

SELECTION OF CONSULTANTS AND CONSULTING SERVICES

Request for Proposals for Consulting Services

Review of Payment System Laws

RFP Ref: 3301101/RFP/QCBS/10/09

1. The Millennium Challenge Corporation (“MCC”) and the Government of Ghana (the “Government”) have entered into a Millennium Challenge Compact for Millennium Challenge Account assistance to help facilitate poverty reduction through economic growth in Ghana (the “Compact”) in the amount of approximately Five Hundred and Forty Seven Million USD (“MCC Funding”). The Government, acting through the Millennium Development Authority (MiDA) (“MCA Entity”), intends to apply a portion of the MCC Funding to eligible payments under a contract for which the Request for Proposals is issued. Any payments made under the proposed contract will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the Compact and related documents, including restrictions on the use of MCC funding and conditions to the disbursements of MCC funding. No party other than the Government and the MCA Entity shall derive any rights from the Compact or have any claim to the proceeds of MCC Funding.
2. The Compact program is designed to help rural poverty through targeted agricultural, transportation-related and social infrastructure (rural water supply, sanitation, education) interventions. The Compact identifies three key objectives to advance the overarching goal of poverty reduction via economic growth: 1) increase productivity and business skills of small and medium sized farmers, both men and women, and their employees via activities described within the Compact’s “Agricultural Development Project”, 2) reduce transportation costs between target production centres and national, regional, and global markets via activities described within the Compact’s “Transportation Infrastructure Development Project”, and 3) improve critical social services by providing additional water supply, sanitation and education facilities in select districts, via activities described within the Compact’s “Rural Services Development Project”.
3. This Invitation for Proposals follows the General Procurement Notice that appeared in dgMarket on 28th July 2009, UNDBOnline on 29th July, 2009, the MCA Entity (MiDA) website on 28th July, and local newspapers Ghanaian Times and the Daily Graphic on 6th August.
4. The MCA Entity now invites proposals to provide the consultant services referenced above (“Proposals”). More details on these consultant services are provided in the Terms of Reference.

- 5 The Request for Proposal (“RFP”) is open to all eligible entities or persons (“Consultants”) who wish to respond. Consultants may only associate with each other in the form of a joint venture or in a sub-consultancy agreement to complement their respective areas of expertise to enhance their capacity to successfully carry out the assignment and so long as any association is otherwise formed in accordance with the terms of the RFP.
- 6 A Consultant will be selected under the QCBS, the evaluation procedure for which is described in sections of the RFP in accordance with “MCC Program Procurement Guidelines” which are provided on the MCC website www.mcc.gov.
- 7 The RFP Document includes the following Sections:
 - Section 1. Instructions to Consultants
 - Section 2. Proposal Data Sheet
 - Section 3. Qualification and Evaluation Criteria
 - Section 4A. Technical Proposal Forms
 - Section 4B. Financial Proposal Forms
 - Section 5. Contract Forms:
 - I Contract Agreement
 - II General Conditions of Contract
 - III Special Conditions of Contract
 - IV Appendices
 - Section 6. Terms of Reference
- 8 Consultants interested in submitting a Proposal should register their interest by sending an e-mail, giving full contact details of the Consultant, to ckpgh@charleskendall.com and info@mida.gov.gh so that the documents may be issued.
- 9 A Pre-Proposal meeting will be held at 10.00 a.m. (local time) on **27 October, 2009** in the conference room of Apex Bank Head Office, No 5, 9th Road, Gamel Abdul Nasser Avenue, South Ridge, Accra. Attendance is strongly advised for all prospective Consultants or their representatives but is not mandatory; furthermore contact MiDA with any queries regarding this venue and NOT Apex Bank.
- 10 The closing date and time for receipt of Proposals is **21 November 2009 at 17:00 hours** local time in Ghana. Proposals received after this time and date shall not be considered and will be returned unopened. Consultants should be aware that distance and customs formalities may require longer than expected delivery time.

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