

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Issuance Date	:	September 01, 2023
Submission Deadline/Closing Date:	:	September 15, 2023, 5:00pm, Juba Time
Description	:	Construction of New & Rehabilitation of Existing WASH Infrastructures
Funded by	:	United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Contract No. 72066821C00009
For	:	The Afia Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Project, Implemented by DT Global

1. Background

The Afia WASH project is a five-year, USAID funded project (October 2021-September 2026) that aims expand gender-transformative and sustainable access to basic safe drinking water, basic sanitation coverage, and increased uptake of key hygiene behaviors for the purpose of improving health and household resilience in accordance with USAID/South Sudan's Strategic Framework 2020 – 2024. This goal will be achieved through the following three objectives.

1. Strengthening sub-national and private WASH sector coordination and management.
2. Expanding and strengthening inclusive, resilient, WASH deliver.
3. Ensuring key WASH behaviors adopted by target communities and harmful gender norms addressed.

The project is being implemented by DT Global (<https://dt-global.com/>) an international development contractor, working across a wide range of sectors including WASH and technical areas in over 90 countries around the world. DT Global South Sudan - Afia WASH Project is therefore inviting interested, eligible and competent Construction Firms; Civil society organization and Service providers via this Expression of Interest (EOI) to respond on their willingness to be shortlisted to construct new and rehabilitate existing WASH infrastructure in any of the following counties in South Sudan:

1. Wau and Jur River in Western Bar-el-ghazel State
2. Kapoeta North and Budi in Eastern Equatoria State
3. Akobo County in Jonglei State

2. Objectives

The overall objective of this REOI is to seek competent and experienced contractors to strengthen inclusive, resilient WASH services through a dual focus on sustainable service expansion through infrastructure development and professionalized operations and maintenance (O&M).

Below is the list of infrastructure development activities to be undertaken between October 2023 and September 2024.

1. Repair and rehabilitation of community hand pumps.
2. Construction of solar powered water distribution systems
3. Upgrade of high yielding boreholes to solar powered water yards
4. Rainwater harvesting technologies.
5. Rehabilitation of solar powered water yards.
6. Construction of public toilets with four stances
7. Construction of disability/child-friendly school VIP (ventilated improved pit) latrines with four stances, one changing space for girls, and urinal annex for boys. Each latrine block must have a handwashing station.
8. Construction of VIP latrines in health facilities with three stances

3. Eligibility/Criteria for selection

Applicant organizations will only be considered if they are:

- Legally registered in South Sudan with valid legal business certificate
- Have been in operation for at least three years from the time of registration
- Physical Presence or have experience working in the counties where the activities will be conducted (*All these three points should not exceed one page*)
- Demonstrated capacity in the proposed assignment [Give a list of the last similar assignments that you have undertaken] – Not more than 2 pages
- Availability of reputable experts in the specialties of the assignment [We are not looking for CVs, however, give staff list, qualification and experience – not more than one third of the paper for each technical staff] – (*Not more than 3 pages.*)
- Proven experience in construction and rehabilitation of WASH infrastructure. (Give brief on your experience on similar assignments) i.e. experience in construction and rehabilitation (*Nor more than 3 pages*)

Bidders are required to provide contact details and at least two (2) letters of satisfactory completion of assignments of a similar nature.

4. Mode of Submission:

- Applicants must submit adequate information on their Legal corporate status, including but not limited to Company Name, proof of Physical Location, Telephone number, and Contact person
- Applicants should indicate their capacity to provide the services This information should include past verifiable performance of similar assignments undertaken and should include contact person(s) for reference.
- If you get shortlisted, your organizations will receive a Request for Proposal (RFP) requesting you to submit full detailed Technical and Financial proposals separately. The exercise towards realizing contract award shall be transparent and competitive.
- Interested organizations **MUST** submit their Expression of Interest (EOI) to the email indicated below not later than **September 15, 2023, 5:00pm, Juba time.**
- Applicants Must indicate clearly on e-mail subject line the the type of infrastructure and they you are interested in. If the firm is interested in more than one county, then they should submit a separate EOI for each of the counties for their interests.

5. Submission Guidelines

EOI should be in English Language and not exceed ten (10) pages as (excluding cover page, executive summary and annexes). Any EOI with more than 10 pages **will NOT BE** considered responsive at all and will be rejected.

Expressions of interest should be submitted via email to Afiawash.procurement@DT-Global.com. Applicants should indicate the reference number **USAID AFIWASH 2023-2024 INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT EOI COUNTIES [X]** in the subject line.

For any further questions, you may contact the above e-mail.

Disclaimer: Issuance of this call does not constitute an award commitment on the part of DT Global South Sudan - Afia WASH Project nor commit the project to pay for costs incurred in the preparation and submission of an EOI. Further, DT Global South Sudan-Afia WASH Project reserves the right to reject any or all EOI received. Similarly, an invitation for further negotiation or to submit a full application is not a commitment to fund that application.