



Ministry of Finance and Planning

Republic of South Sudan

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (REOI)

COUNTRY: Republic of South Sudan
NAME OF PROJECT: Enhancing Community Resilience and Local Governance II
PROJECT ID: P177093 Grant No.: IDA-D980-SS
Assignment Title: Social Development Specialist
Reference No.: SS-MOFP-306426-CS-INDV
Place of assignment: Juba, South Sudan
Closing Date: 8th September, 2022

1. **Background:** The Government of South Sudan has received financing from The World Bank through the Ministry of Finance & Planning (MoFP) toward the cost of Enhancing Community Resilience and Local Governance Project (ECRP) II.

The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve access to services, strengthen flood resilience, and enhance institutional capacity for local service delivery and integrated disaster risk management at national and sub-national levels. The Project has four (4) components namely: (i) Infrastructure and Services for Community Resilience (ii) Institutional Strengthening (iii) Project Management and Learning; and (iv) Contingent Emergency Response.

The Ministry of Finance and Planning in partnership with Local Government Board (LGB) and the World Bank have agreed to contract International Organization for Migration (IOM) to lead in the implementation of Components 1 and 2 of the project.

A Project Management Unit (PMU) has been established within the MoFP with the primary task of project management and overseeing the performance of IOM and other service providers, stakeholder outreach and communications, fiduciary and procurement management, Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E), community engagement, and risk management related to social and environmental safeguards, fiduciary oversight as well as maintaining infrastructure quality and standards. The ECRP-II PMU will also coordinate communications and contacts between the LGB and County Coordination Teams (CCTs) established under ECRP to regularize support for constructive county engagement in local resource management, service delivery improvements, and maintenance activity

The Ministry of Finance & Planning intends to apply part of the proceeds of the grant to fund the position of a **Social Development Specialist** to provide technical guidance on social development, gender sensitivity leadership and oversight for implementation of the ECRP-II.

2. Scope of Services and Responsibilities: The scope of services for the position include but not limited to the following tasks:

Provide support to the ongoing development and implementation of a social development strategy, including community engagement, gender and diversity, and their integration into the ECRP II project cycle; and advise on social development and the integration of gender sensitivity and diversity across the project in order to ensure effective inclusion.

The Consultant will be required to undertake all tasks and deliver the outputs detailed in the Terms of Reference (TOR) that will be provided upon request through the email contact below.

3. Selection Criteria: Selection shall be based on qualification and experience of the candidate and followed by an interview. The qualification and experience required for shortlisting will include:

(i) Advanced university degree (Master's Degree or equivalent) in development related disciplines, gender issues, human rights, political science, behavioural science, or other relevant social science fields; (ii) a minimum of 5 years of working experience in social development/gender/social inclusion related roles (combination of programme development, advisory, project management, training/capacity building roles) in development projects; (iii) Experience in the following are desirable: relevant work in FCV countries; work with the international aid development sector; work on local governance and/or local service delivery projects; and (v) Fluency in written and oral English.

The shortlisted candidates will be invited for oral interview. Consultant will be required to possess the skills, core values and principles listed in the TOR.

Government officials or civil servants will not be considered unless: (i) they are on leave of absence without pay or have resigned or retired six months prior to the date of the advert; and (ii) their employment will not create Conflict of interest.

4. Duration:

Duration of the assignment is 12 months, renewable based on satisfactory performance and availability of funds.

6. The attention of interested individual consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank's 'Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers' July 2016 revised November 2017, July 2018 and November 2020 [Procurement in investment Project Financing; Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services], setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest

7. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultants Selection method set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations.

8. The MoF&P now invites eligible Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in providing the above-mentioned services. Interested Consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services and furnish the Curriculum Vitae (CV) in the prescribed form that will be provided with the TOR upon request through the e-mail address given below.



9. Submission of Applications and deadline:

Interested Applicants may obtain detailed TOR and the format for the CV through the email below.

A signed Expressions of interest (EOI) and CV in the prescribed format with 3 reference persons must be submitted by 8th September 2022 at 17:00 Hours (Juba local time) to the email below.

The packages must be clearly marked as “**Application for Social Development Specialist**” and submitted to:

ECRP II Project Manager
Project Management Unit,
(ECRP II & PFMS)
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Juba, Republic of South Sudan
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