



Republic of South Sudan
Ministry of Gender, Child & Social Welfare (MGCSW)
Project Coordination Unit (PCU)

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Request for Expression of Interest (REOI)

COUNTRY: Republic of South Sudan
NAME OF THE PROJECTS: Productive Safety Net for Socioeconomic Opportunities (SNSOP)
CONSULTING SERVICES: A consultant to develop National Social Protection Policy Framework (NSPPF)
DUTY STATION: MGCSW Building, Juba- South Sudan

RefNo: SS-MGCSW-350026-CS-INDV

1. The Government of South Sudan (GoSS) has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the implementation of SNSOP. The SNSOP is a World Bank (WB) funded project which will be implemented by the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security (MAFS) and the Ministry of Gender, Child and Social Welfare (MGCSW). The MAFS will be the lead implementing agency responsible for overall implementation, fiduciary, Environment and Social Framework (ESF) compliance for the project through the established Project Coordination Unit (PCU). The MAFS has strong previous experience in implementing several WB funded projects including the Safety Net and Skills Development Project (SNSDP) with day-to-day oversight and management. MGCSW will fully implement activities under Component 3 and will actively participate in the implementation, monitoring, and supervision. Part of the PCU will be established at the MGCSW which will allow the ministry to build their capacity for future project implementation. The PCUs in MAFS and MGCSW will work closely in the project implementation, monitoring and evaluation. Based on aforementioned, MAFS and MGCSWS intends to apply part of the proceeds for the payment for the services of the **Consultant**.

2. The main objective of the consultancy is to provide technical support to the MGCSW for the review the existing South Sudan National Social Protection Policy Framework (NSPPF) and other relevant related policies and to produce a complete report on gaps, reforms, and recommendations for the new policy formulation related to the social protection sector in South Sudan. The report, based on which MGCSW will review and adapt the NSPPF, will review the following areas: (i) the relevance and appropriateness of the existing NSPPF to establish the government-led social protection programs; (ii) key achievements of the NSPPF during its operationalization (or lack thereof); (iii) key legal frameworks that are missing or inadequate for the implementation of the NSPPF; (iv) any notable changes to the context within the country (e.g. macroeconomic, social, and institutional changes) which the NSPPF will need to adjust to; (v) key lessons learned and good practices; (vi) lessons drawn from countries with similar context; and (vi) any other key areas, as identified by the consultant.

Responsibilities: The Consultant is expected to liaise with the relevant Ministries and institutions responsible for the various social protection programs and meet with relevant stakeholders (including development partners and civil society organizations) to obtain feedback, validate the findings and recommendations, and incorporate the relevant comments to the final report. Gender perspectives shall be integral part of the considerations. He/she provide technical guidance to ensure compliance and adhering to the general procedures and guidelines of the World Bank (WB) in order to ensure quality output of program interventions and all other tasks detailed in the Terms of Reference (TOR) that will be provided upon submission of application (**in person or by E-mail**).



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.

3. **Duration:** The assignment will be for a period of eight (8) months

Selection Criteria: The selection shall be based on qualification, experience and skills of the candidate and followed by an interview. The qualification, experience and skills should include: Master's degree in public policy, Social Science, Economics, Political Science, or other related disciplines; At least 10 years of professional experience in designing, implementing and managing social protection interventions or programming, including at least 5 years in the review/evaluation of programs and policies; Demonstrated expertise and capability in technical evaluation of social protection delivery systems, related national policies and government operational frameworks; Proven experience in facilitating multi-stakeholder policy discussions, preferably on topics related to social protection; Proven experience in conducting research and technical consultancy on social protection issues; Professional command of English, both oral and written; Excellent communication and report writing skills are required; Familiarity with the South Sudan national context and overall policy and strategic context is an asset.

4. The MGCSW 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.

5. The attention of interested 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, August 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.

6. A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's 'Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers' July 2016 revised November 2017, August 2018 and November 2020 for selection of individual consultant.

7. Interested Consultants may obtain further information at the address given below from 9:00 to 16:00 Hrs. on working days (Monday through Friday.)

8. **Deadline for submission:** The Expression of interest (EOI) and the CV completed in the prescribed form must be delivered to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **September 28, 2023, at 17:00 Hours (South Sudan Time)**

9. Further details of this REOI are provided in the Terms of Reference (TOR), which may be obtained upon request in person or by e-mail to the address given below. Application through e-mail is highly encouraged.

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