

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

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<b>Issuance Date</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>January 23, 2023</b>
<b>Submission Deadline/Closing Date:</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>February 3, 2023, 5:00pm, Juba Time</b>
<b>Description</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>Utilization of a borehole drilling equipment (PAT-Drill 421 T rig model 4TNV88, Atlas Copco Air Compressor model XAHS 186, PAT-Drill trailer mud pump, piston pump model and portable mud pump, Taki model)</b>
<b>Funded by</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Contract No. 72066821C00009</b>
<b>For</b>	<b>:</b>	<b>The Afia WASH Project, Implemented by DT Global</b>

### 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 drilling companies, construction firms, National Governmental Organizations (NGOs), Civil society organizations or any other organization which are legally registered in South Sudan and that can qualify as a private entity to Express their Interest (EOI) to respond on their willingness to be shortlisted to receive the rig and how they would utilize it in South Sudan:

### 2. Objectives

Under contract with United States Agency for International Development (USAID) No. 72066821C00009, Afia WASH project has been availed a relatively new borehole drilling rig and make PAT-Drill 421T, with all its accessories such as the compressor. The Afia WASH project is desirous to hand over this drilling equipment to a competent private operator.

### 3. Eligibility/Criteria for selection

Applicant organizations will only be considered if they are:

- Legally registered in South Sudan with valid legal business certificate.
- List of Directors of the Company and their very brief profiles (not more than a paragraph or ¼ page per Director);
- Have been in operation for at least three (3) years from the time of registration.
- Physical Presence or have experience working in one or more of the following 13 counties of: Budi, Kapoeta North, Akobo, Uror, Pibor, Duk, Ulang, Baliaet, Leer, Panyijar, Mayendit, Wau and Jur River.
- Women led organizations will be preferred.
- Start-ups but with at least 3 years' experience with evidence of more youths engaged.
- State whether you have received equipment from a USAID funded project before.
- List of boreholes drilled giving location (county and boma), and depth and yield.

**Specific Conditions:**

- The mentioned assets are exempt from any tariff, custom payments, taxes on ownership, use or transfer or other similar payments or charges;
- The property to be transferred shall be used to further the objectives of USAID/South Sudan under which they were funded including drilling of boreholes through the Afia WASH project;
- The successful recipient shall commit to incorporate the equipment in its regular inventory.
- The successful recipient shall implement adequate maintenance procedures to keep the equipment in good condition through its service life;
- The successful recipient shall have a control system in effect to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of the equipment. Any loss, damage, or theft of these shall be investigated and fully documented, USAID shall be promptly notified.
- The successful recipient shall afford authorized representatives of USAID the opportunity to inspect the equipment and their documentation

**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
- Interested organizations **MUST** submit their Expression of Interest (EOI) to the email indicated below not later than February 3, 2023, 5:00pm, Juba time.

**5. Submission Guidelines**

Expressions of interest should be submitted via email to [afiawash.procurement@dt-global.com](mailto:afiawash.procurement@dt-global.com). Applicants should indicate the reference number **USAID AFIWASH 2023 BOREHOLE DRILLING RIG** 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.