



**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR
CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE NATIONAL REFERRAL
HOSPITAL IN HHOHHO REGION, ESWATINI REF. K.F. LOAN
NO. 932**

PROJECT REFERENCE NO. 114 OF 2018/2019

1.0 Introduction

The Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini (GOE) has secured a loan from the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development (KFAED), Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA), OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID) and Saudi Fund for Development (SFD) for the construction and equipping of a new National Referral Hospital (NRH) in the country. The hospital will have 250 beds and will be constructed in Phases.

The project will improve easy access to health services for referral cases. The purpose of having a new NRH is also to provide availability of tertiary services within Eswatini and to reduce, drastically, the number of people being referred to other countries for some health related services. This new hospital will therefore be expected to provide specialized services of high quality, comparable with those provided internationally.

2.0 Description of the Project

The project comprises the construction, furnishing and equipping of a new 250-bed referral hospital at Elangeni, in the Hhohho region. The project also includes consulting services for detailed designs and supervision of the construction and equipment of the hospital.

3.0 Scope of Services Required

The services to be provided by the Consultancy will include, but not limited to the following:

- a) Carry out review of the feasibility study.
- b) Preparation of detailed design proposals and detailed Tender Documents.
- c) Selection of Contractor.
- d) Identify in accordance with Ministry of Health (MOH), the list of medical and other required hospital equipment including maintenance plans, training staff for maintenance procedures and selecting furniture required to operate this facility.
- e) Other duties as required by the client and or the Project Financiers

4.0 Invitation for Expression of Interest (EOI)

The Ministry of Economic Planning and Development (MEPD) consequently invites eligible consultancy firms to indicate their interest to providing such services.

The consultancies are expected to adhere to correct ethics for undertaking this task to the satisfaction of the Ministry of Economic Planning & Development (MEPD), Ministry of Health (MOH), Project Financiers and any other relevant authorities. The task should be carried in accordance to best practice. This assignment is expected to commence as soon as possible and the duration of contract to be approximately two (2) years. It will be the responsibility of the consultancy to manage and complete all work on an agreed schedule with MEPD.

5.0 Eligible Applicants

Pre-Qualification is open to joint ventures of short list of associations between African and Arab consultants, solely or in association with an international consulting firm that have the required experience and capacity for delivery of architectural and engineering outputs in their areas of expertise from eligible member countries as defined in the Guidelines for Use of Consultants, first edition 1995.

An applicant shall not have a conflict of interest. The applicant (including all members of a joint venture) shall not be associated, nor have been associated in the past, with the consultant or any entity that has prepared the pre-qualification and bidding documents for the assignment, or with an entity that was proposed as Engineer for the services. Any such association may result in the disqualification of the applicant

Procurement of goods and services for the execution of the infrastructure/civil works will be through International competitive bidding and pre-qualification process in accordance with BADEA, SFD, KAFED and OFID regulations and in harmony with the GOE procedures. A Margin of preferential of 5% to Arab, African, Arab/African and OFID member countries will be given.

Consultancy firms should observe the following statutory requirements; 1) consultancy to be registered with Swaziland Construction Industry Council (CIC), 2) consultancy to attach current valid trading licence, 3) if consultancy is a joint-venture (JV) or a consortium, the consultancy must submit copy of registration of (JV) with CIC and or an intention to form one. Any submission submitted in more than one expression of interest will render all invalid.

MEPD therefore invites eligible consultancy firms to indicate their interests to providing such services. Consultancy to have available information that they have the necessary experience on similar assignments, that they have relevant qualifications to undertake this assignment, and availability of appropriate skills amongst proposed staff. Firms may associate to enhance their qualifications.

The selection of consultant will be done in accordance with the rules set out in Arab Bank of Economic Development in Africa; *Guidelines for selection and employment of Consultants to Borrowers (first published in 1995)*. Interested parties may obtain any further information at the address in 5.0 during office hours (Monday – Friday 0900hr-

1600hr). Expressions of Interest must be delivered in plain sealed envelopes and clearly marked;

“EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE NATIONAL REFERRAL HOSPITAL IN HHOHHO REGION, ESWATINI PROJECT NO. 114 OF 2018/2019” to be deposited in the Tender Box at Treasury Building, Mbabane on 15th January 2021 not later than 0900hrs local time.

6.0 Request for Clarifications and Further Information

Request for clarifications, must be in writing. Interested parties may obtain any further information at the address below, from Monday to Friday between 0900hr-1600hr. This will be up to 15th December 2020.

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