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CALL FOR EOI FOR PROVISION OF TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO AFAAS SECRETARIAT AS CAPACITY AND INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST

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African Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services (AFAAS) is a Continental body that brings National Agricultural Extension and Advisory Services (AEAS) providers in Africa under one umbrella. The AFAAS has received grant funding from the European Union managed by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) under Grant Number: 2000002981 towards the implementation of the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme ex-pillar IV (CAADP XP4) organisations under the initiative “Development Smart Innovation through Research in Agriculture (DeSIRA)” Project. For the implementation of project activities, AFAAS will conduct procurements for goods, consulting and non-consulting services, in accordance with the IFAD Procurement Handbook and IFAD Procurement Guidelines.

Now, AFAAS is seeking services of a qualified and experienced long-term consultant (here and after “Consultant”) to provide technical assistance in Capacity and Institutional Development to AFAAS secretariat and its network under the CAADP-XP4 project for the period January to December 2020. The Capacity and Institutional Development consultant shall report to the AFAAS Executive Director and work closely with programme staff at the Secretariat.

The objectives of this consultancy service is to:

- Provide technical assistance and or support services to AFAAS secretariat and its network and to collaborate with the consortium members i.e. SROs and FARA.

The Specific objective is to provide technical support to AFAAS secretariat in Country Fora Capacity and Institutional Development.

Duration of the Assignment

The Capacity and Institutional Development consultant is expected to commence services initially for a maximum of 11 months during the period January to December 2020. The assignment may be extended for any additional 2 years dependent on need, availability of funding and satisfactory performance of the outputs envisaged in the TORs.

Qualification and Experience

The following set of competencies will form the basis for selection of the consultant.

- A Master's Degree in Agricultural extension, Rural Innovations, agricultural Sciences, or Rural Development or sociology; a PhD relevant in the field is an advantage;
- At least 10 years of professional experience in institutional development, networking and partnership building preferably with focus in AEAS.
- Demonstrated experience in undertaking institutional development at national and regional level; experience working specifically with country fora (CFs) and emerging paradigms in AEAS will be an added advantage;
- Knowledge and experience in developing knowledge management products in AEAS;



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- Extensive understanding of the AFAAS structures, Framework for African Agricultural Productivity principles and CAADP process;
- Excellent communication skills and a track record that shows ability to facilitate and coordinate teamwork and to interact with multi stakeholders;
- Good leadership, interpersonal and liaison skills with government, inter-governmental, civil society, academic and international and regional development partners;
- Proactive, accountable and able to adhere to AFAAS and IFAD policies;
- Able to lead by example and drive change.

Interested individual consultants must provide information verifying that they are qualified to perform the services and meet the minimum required experience criteria above. Submitted information shall include: (i) Cover Letter; (ii) CV in English; and (iii) References (Recommendation Letters). Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below not later than **January 17, 2020, at 11:00 a.m.** at the address below or electronically on email: secretariat@afaas-africa.org.

The Consultant will be selected based on the “**Consultants Qualification Selection (CQS)**” procurement method by IFAD Procurement Handbook (approved in September, 2010). Interested individuals may obtain detailed information on the assignment at the address below from 08:00 – 17:00 (local time) latest **January 9, 2020**.

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