

## **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

### **INTERCONNECTION PROJECT OF ELECTRIC GRIDS OF NILE EQUATORIAL LAKES COUNTRIES**

**Country: RWANDA**

**Project No: N° 04/S/2009-AFDB/NBI-EASSDP**

**Project Component: Consultancy Services**

This request for expressions of interest follows the General Procurement Notice for this project that appeared on UN Development Business' Website in January 6<sup>th</sup> 2009

The Government of Rwanda (GOR) has received a grant from African Development Bank towards the cost of the construction of a 68 km 220KV Electricity Transmission line from Kibuye (Rwanda) to Goma (DRC) and a 106km, 220KV Transmission line interconnecting Uganda and Rwanda power systems. The interconnector will go through Mirama (Uganda/Rwanda border)-Birembo/Kigali (Rwanda). The GoR intends to apply part of the proceeds for consultant services for the feasibility study, detailed design, tender documents preparation and supervision of the 220KV Kibuye-Goma Electricity Transmission line works, as well as the supervision of the Mirama/Kigali 220KV Transmission line works. In addition to two the transmission lines, the project includes three substations located at Kibuye, Gisenyi and Birembo.

The two projects are components of the above-captioned project, coordinated by NELSAP but the financing will be administrated by Rwanda Electricity Corporation (RECO).

The services will include:

- Carrying out the feasibility study, detailed design and preparation of tender documents of the 220KV Kibuye-Goma Transmission line.
- Assisting the client during the procurement phase (tendering through up to contract finalization).
- Supervision of the engineering works for both lines in close cooperation with the client and NELSAP up to project completion.
- Advising and assisting the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) Coordinator on different aspects including maintaining a Financing Plan for the interconnection program and its compliance with established Processes & Systems.

RECO now invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the above – mentioned services. Interested firms must provide a statement of capability and experience indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments in regional and international projects, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Professionals should be able to communicate in English and/or French This advertisement is open to consultants from eligible source countries.

A short list of six firms will be compiled in accordance with the procedures set out in the African Development Bank's *Rules of Procedure for the Use of Consultants (May 2008)*.

Written expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below at the latest by **12:00 Noon** (local time) or (10.00 AM GMT) on **March 2, 2010**.

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