**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**
**CONSULTING SERVICES**
**(Individual Consultant-** Environmental and Social Safeguard Specialist)

**FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF SOMALIA**
**The Ministry of Energy & Water Resources of Federal Government of Somalia**

**HOUSEHOLD ACCESS TO RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ADVANCEDCOOKING TECHNOLOGIES; ENERGY SECTOR.**

**Sector: Energy**
**Financing Agreement Reference: 2100155042182**
**Project ID No.: P-SOFA0-003**

## 1. Background

The federal Government of Somalia has received Financing from African Development Fund towards Households' Access to renewable Energy and advanced Clean Cooking Technologies (HAREACT)

In which the Ministry of Energy and Water Resources is a beneficiary of a grantcomponent and intends to apply part of the proceeds for HAREACT & consulting services.

The Ministry of Energy and Water Resources will establish a Project Implementation Unit (PIU) to carry out the day-to-day activities of project planning, coordination and implementation of the Households' Access to renewable Energy and advanced Clean Cooking Technologies (HAREACT) Project. The Ministry intends to engage a consultant towork as Environmental and Social Safeguard Specialist within the PIU.

The Ministry of Energy & Water Resource (MoEWR) of the Federal Government of Somaliais seeking an Individual Consultant as an Environmental and Social Safeguard Specialist to support the AFDB funded HAREACT energy Project.

## 2. Objective of the Assignment

The objective of the consultancy services is to provide advisory and technical assistance to the Ministry of Energy and Water Resources in establishing and maintaining sound financial management and accounting systems for the effective implementation of the HAREACT Project.
The overall objective is to support the PIU in managing environmental and social risks and impacts throughout the project cycle and in meeting the requirements of the African Development Bank, applicable national and federal laws, approved project instruments and works contracts.
The specific objectives are to:

- ensure that environmental and social requirements are integrated into planning, procurement, design, construction, commissioning and project closure;
- verify effective implementation of mitigation, monitoring, compensation, stakeholder-engagement and corrective measures;
- protect workers, communities, vulnerable groups, project assets and the environment;
- establish credible, timely and auditable environmental and social monitoring and reporting systems;
- strengthen contractor accountability and PIU safeguards capacity; and
- Enable early identification, escalation and resolution of material risks, incidents, grievances and non-compliances.
- Detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be accessed through the Ministry's website at www. moewr.gov.so. Interested consultants are encouraged to review the TOR prior to submitting their Expressions of Interest.

**4. Qualifications and Experience Requirements**

- A bachelor's degree in environmental science, environmental engineering, social sciences, social development, occupational health and safety, natural-resource management or another directly relevant discipline from a recognized institution, with at least seven years of progressively responsible professional experience in environmental and social risk management, including substantial field based construction monitoring; or a master's degree in any of the above or another relevant discipline, with at least five years of such professional experience.
- Professional training or certification in occupational health and safety, environmental management, social safeguards, resettlement, stakeholder engagement, SEA/SH risk management or auditing is an advantage
- Demonstrated experience applying the safeguards standards of a multilateral development bank. Practical knowledge of the AfDB Updated ISS 2023 is an advantage.
- At least three years of experience supervising contractors or implementing E&S instruments for infrastructure, energy, utilities or comparable construction projects.
- Experience with electricity distribution, solar PV, battery storage, substations, transformers, metering or related energy infrastructure is strongly preferred.
- Experience in fragile, conflict-affected or high-security-risk environments is required; experience in Somalia or the Horn of Africa is strongly preferred.
- Demonstrated experience in OHS, labour management, land access or resettlement, stakeholder engagement, grievance management, community health and safety, SEA/SH prevention and incident investigation.
- Proven ability to prepare clear, evidence-based reports for government and international financing institutions and to manage registers, indicators and corrective-action systems.
- Experience delivering training and coaching to government staff, contractors and communities.

5. The individual consultant (Environmental and Social Safeguard Specialist) reports to the project coordinator of the, Project Implementation Unit under the Ministry of Energy and Water Resources. The duty station will be in Mogadishu, Somalia.

6. The MoEWR now invites Individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing the above-described services. Interested individual consultants shall provide information on their qualifications and experience demonstrating their ability to undertake this Assignment (curriculum vitae, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills, etc.).

7. A shortlist of three to six individual local Experts will be established at the end the request of expressions of interest. The consultants on the shortlist will be evaluated on the basis of their updated resume.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's ***Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations, dated October 2015,*** which is available on the Bank's website at http://www.afdb.org. Please, note that interest expressed by an individual Consultant does not imply any obligation on the part of the MoEWR to include him/her in the shortlist

The expected contract start date is Febuary 2027 and the estimated duration of services is 12 months. The contract may be extended for additional period depending on satisfactory performance of the consultant and availability of budget.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours, Saturday to Thursday between 8:00am and 4:00pm.

Applicants interested in this assignment are required to submit Expression of Interest accompanied with their detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV), 3 references as well as scanned copies of education degrees(s) and other relevant certificates. Application that does not meet the above requirements will not be considered.

Expressions of Interest must be delivered to the address below or sent to the email below **by 26th November, 2026** at 12:30 hrs. and mention "Expression of Interest for the post individual consultant "**Environmental social Safeguards Specialist"**

**Attention: Project Coordinator**
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