

REPÚBLICA DE MOÇAMBIQUE MINISTÉRIO DA ECONOMIA E FINANÇAS GABINETE DE DESENVOLVIMENTO DO COMPACTO II

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SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Skills Maximization Study MOZ-23-4002

The United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC"), and the Government of the Republic of Mozambique (GRM) signed a grant aimed at poverty reduction through economic growth in Mozambique on September 21, 2023, in the amount of US\$500 million (the "Compact") and a corresponding contribution from the Government of approximately US \$37,5 million. The Mozambique Connectivity and Coastal Resilience Compact consists of three projects:

- The Connectivity and Rural Transport Project (CTR) will enhance the quality and climate resilience of major routes in Zambezia by improving roads and bridges and addressing deferred maintenance, including the busy Mocuba Bridge.
- The Promoting Reform and Investment in Agriculture Project (PRIA) will improve the incomes of smallholder farmers and other value chain actors, increase investments in the agriculture sector, and foster agriculture-related fiscal reform and incentives.
- The Coastal Livelihoods and Climate Resilience Project (CLCR) seeks to increase ecosystem productivity by addressing problems caused by long-term ecosystem degradation and fishery loss.

In issuing this SPN, the Government is represented by the Gabinete do Desenvolvimento do Compacto-II (GDC), which will continue until such time as the Government establishes the Millennium Challenge Account-Moçambique ("MCA-Moçambique") to serve as the accountable entity for implementing the Compact. Prior to the establishment of MCA-Moçambique, any references to actions taken or rights received by MCA-Moçambique including in the Form of Contract, shall be taken or received by GDC on behalf of the Republic of Mozambique, and any references herein to MCA-Moçambique shall be deemed to mean the Compact Development Team, or GDC during this period.

This Request for Proposal, the RFP, follows the General Procurement Notice that appeared in dgMarket, UNDB Online and on the website of the Ministry of Economy and Finance of Mozambique (www.mef.gov.mz), on April 26, 2023.

GDC now invites proposals from legally constituted consulting firms and other organizations to provide the consulting services ("Proposals"). More details on these services are provided in the Terms of Reference in Section V of this RFP.

This RFP is open to all eligible entities ("Consultants") who wish to respond. Subject to restrictions noted in the RFP, consultants may associate with other consultants to enhance their capacity to successfully carry out the assignment.

A Consultant will be selected under the **Quality and Cost-Based Selection ("QCBS")** method, an evaluation procedure that is described in Section III of the RFP in accordance with the "MCC Program Procurement Guidelines" provided on the MCC website (www.mcc.gov/ppg). The selection process, as described, will include a review and verification of qualifications and past performance, including a reference check, prior to the contract award.

Please note that a Pre-Proposal Conference will be held as described in the Proposal Data Sheet ("PDS"), Section II of the RFP. Attendance at the Pre-Proposal Conference is not mandatory but is strongly advised for all interested Consultants or their representatives.

Consultants interested in submitting a Proposal must express their interest by sending an e-mail to mcamocambiquepa@dt-global.com. This will also ensure their receipt of any future communications regarding this RFP.

Clarifications of the Request for Proposals may be requested by e-mail no later than 5:00 pm (GMT+2) on **March 4, 2024**. Responses shall be issued to all Consultants not later than 5:00 pm (GMT+2) on **March 11, 2024**. The address for requesting clarifications is: mcamocambiquepa@dt-global.com, the Procurement Agent for the Compact Development Team.

All responses to clarification requests shall be sent via email to the Consultants who have formally requested and received the RFP.

Proposals must be delivered electronically to https://u.pcloud.com/#page=puplink&code=d13kZoRH7MQPC5dj9fpFizT25nLE8HV5y and in the manner specified in the PDS ITC 17, no later than 3:00 pm, Mozambique time (GMT+2), on March 20, 2024.

Please note that only electronic Proposals shall be accepted. Late Proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances.

Yours sincerely,

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