



THE MICROFINANCE SUPPORT CENTRE LTD



MINISTRY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT

**LOCAL ECONOMIC GROWTH SUPPORT PROJECT (LEGS)
REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (EOI) - FIRMS UNDER OPEN INTERNATIONAL BIDDING**

PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR DESIGNING CLIENT CENTRIC ISLAMIC MICROFINANCE PRODUCTS, CAPACITY BUILDING & INTERGRATED SUPPORT SOLUTION FOR LOCAL ECONOMIC GROWTH SUPPORT PROJECT

PROJECT ID No: UGA 1012
LOAN No:1024

This Notice of Expression of Interest (EOI) follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that appeared in The New Vision of Monday May 20th 2019.

The Microfinance Support Centre (MSC) has received financing from the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) towards the cost of Local Economic Growth Support (LEGS), and intends to apply part of the agreed amount of this loan to payments under the contract for Consultancy Services for Designing Client Centric Islamic Microfinance Products, Capacity Building and Integrated Support Solution for Local Economic Growth Support Project.

The overall objective of this assignment is to design innovative client centric Islamic Finance Products, build capacity of the LEGS project key stakeholders and provide an integrated MIS solution to support project tracking and monitoring of end beneficiary Projects.

The specific objective for the services to be provided under this consultancy will include:

- i. Review existing Islamic finance products and develop improved financing products.
- ii. Develop related product documentation, manuals and guides that address specific needs of the LEGS target beneficiaries.
- iii. Train the selected target groups in structuring appropriate Islamic finance products, technically support the feasibility studies of sample projects for financing, and effective management of the projects financed.
- iv. Study the existing Islamic Finance MIS System in MSC & intermediary institutions, and provide an integrated MIS

solution to support tracking and monitoring of end beneficiary projects under LEGS.

- v. Support MSC in reviewing the existing processes in Islamic financing and documentation and strengthen this for effective delivery of the LEGS Project.

The assignment will be executed within four (4) months commencing immediately after the signing of the agreement.

The Microfinance Support Centre (MSC) now invites eligible consulting firms from IsDB Member Countries to express their interest in providing the required services. Interested Consultants must provide specific information which demonstrate that they are fully qualified to perform the services.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the shortlist and the selection procedures shall be in accordance with the guidelines for the use of Consultants under the Islamic Development Bank Financing which is available on the Bank's website (<http://www.isdb.org>).

Minimum required qualifications & experience for the Consultant:

- a. Experience in conducting similar assignments in the region/ country; evidence of at least three similar jobs conducted by the firm.
- b. Qualification of Lead Consultant in fields related to Business Administration, Project Management, Islamic Finance or any other related business field; Associate Consultant(s) should possess qualifications in Islamic Finance/ Banking, Sharia Compliance, Information Systems, and proven experience conducting similar assignments.

- c. Should demonstrate capacity of Human Resource; Signed CVs for the consultants shall be required

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture to enhance their qualifications. The form of association, where applicable, should be indicated in the Expression of Interest.

Interested eligible consultants may obtain further information at the address given below from **8:30am- 4:30pm**.

Sealed Expression of Interest in English (One Original plus two copies sealed in a single envelope) must be physically delivered to the address below by **15th November 2019 at 11:00 am Local Time**. Envelopes must be clearly marked "Consultancy Services for Designing of Client Centric Islamic Microfinance Products, Capacity Building and Integrated Support Solution for Local Economic Growth Support Project". The EOI applications shall be opened on **15th November, 2019 at 11:30am (Local time)**.

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