



AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK GROUP

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES FOR LONG TERM URBAN DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT

INFRASTRUCTURE AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (PICU) URBAN AND MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT FUND (UMDF)

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RELAUNCH

1. The African Development Bank hereby invites Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in the following Assignment: **Long-term (12 month) consultancy under the Urban and Municipal Development Fund (UMDF).**

2. **Background:**

Africa is urbanizing rapidly. The African Development Bank recognizes that cities and towns are major drivers for socio-economic development. To underscore the importance of cities, in April 2019 the Bank launched its first Urban and Municipal Development Fund (UMDF), a technical assistance fund designed to support municipalities. The UMDF will support African cities and municipalities to improve their resilience and better manage urban growth and development through planning, governance and quality of public services. The UMDF is structured around four main pillars that will define the Fund's mandate and work program: (a) improved urban planning, (b) improved project preparation (i.e., pre-investment), (c) improved governance and fiscal management, and (d) increased capacity to support integrated urban development. The UMDF is a vehicle to support achievement of the objectives of the AFDB Group in cities of the continents: inclusive growth and green growth and the High five development priorities meant to accelerate the Bank's long-term strategy, namely to Light up and Power Africa; Feed Africa; Industrialize Africa; Integrate Africa; and Improve the Quality of Life for the People of Africa

3. **Objective of the Consultancy:**

The objective of the Long-term consultancy is to support the operationalization and roll-out of the UMDf, and deepen the engagement with the partner cities in terms of knowledge management, technical assistance, project preparation and improved capacities for managing sustainable and resilient urbanization.

4. **The services to be provided under the Consultancy:**

The Long-term Consultant will contribute to UMDf's activities related to sustainable and climate-proof urban development and creation of livable cities and towns. The candidate is expected to provide technical contributions to sustainable urban development and climate actions for cities in the program. S/he is expected to support the delivery of outputs, knowledge management products and events, and implementation and executions of related technical assistance interventions at city level. The Consultant will work primarily but not exclusively on UMDf beneficiary cities and UMDf institutional development. As this position is supported by the Nordic Development Fund, familiarity with and knowledge about 'Nordic' sustainable urban development experiences and the ability to transfer such knowledge for the benefit of African cities is sought and will be considered an advantage.

5. The *Infrastructure and Urban Development Department* invites Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in providing the above-described services. Interested Consultants shall provide information on their qualifications and experience demonstrating their ability to undertake this Assignment (documents, reference to similar services, experience in similar assignments, experiences with African urban development, Nordic cities, and climate change etc). The Consultant will be a key member of the Urban Development Division Team and it is expected that s/he will be based in Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire.

6. The eligibility criteria, the establishment of a short list and the selection procedure shall be in conformity with the Bank's **Procurement Policy for Recruitment of Corporate Consultants**. Please, note that interest expressed by a Consultant does not imply any obligation on the part of the Bank to include him/her in the shortlist.

7. The estimated duration of services is 12 months, with the option of renewal upon satisfactory performance and availability of funds. The estimated starting date is **to be negotiated**.

8. Interested Individual Consultants may obtain further information at the address below during the Bank's working hours: **9am to 5pm, Monday – Friday (UTC)**

9. Expressions of interest must be sent by E-Mail, preferably in PDF, to the address below no later than **Sunday 24 January 2021 at 23:59** hours Abidjan local time (UTC). Please mention “Expression of Interest for Long-term consultancy under the Urban and Municipal Development Fund (UMDF).”

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8. **Establishment of the Shortlist**

A shortlist of individual consultants will be established at the end the request of expressions of interest. The consultants on the shortlist will be judged on the following criteria based on their updated resume.

Level and focus of formal education	20%
Demonstrated knowledge about African and Nordic Urban Development	20%
Language and communications	20%
Work experience relevant to the mission	40%