



International Call for Expression of Interest

PRE-INVESTMENT STUDIES FOR THE INTERCONNECTION REINFORCEMENT PROJECT (CÔTE D'IVOIRE - GHANA) Ref. TA2009011 R0 ITF

Line Route Survey, Environmental and Social Impact Assessment

West African Power Pool

The West African Power Pool (hereinafter referred to as “the Borrower”) has received approval for financing from the European Union (EU) – Africa Infrastructure Trust Fund, for which the European Investment Bank (EIB) shall act as Agent, towards the cost of the 330 kV Riviera (Cote d’Ivoire) – Prestea (Ghana) Interconnection Reinforcement Project. This International Call for Expressions of Interest relates to the contract for Consultancy Services for a Line Route and Environmental and Social Impact Assessment Study for the 330 kV Riviera (Côte d’Ivoire) – Prestea (Ghana) Interconnection Reinforcement Project.

For the purpose of this Call For Expressions of Interest, EU-Africa Infrastructure Trust Fund means the financial instrument established jointly by the Commission, the EIB and other EU Donors in support of the EU-Africa Infrastructure Partnership, one of the pillars of the new EU Strategy for Africa adopted by the European Council in December 2005 with a view to facilitate interconnectivity at continental level for the promotion of regional integration.

This contract will include:

- Line Survey:
 - Study and determination of line route
 - Undertake detailed survey and profiling of line route
 - Drafting and preparation of maps and drawings.
 - Close collaboration with Consultant executing Feasibility Study.
 - Training by transfer of technological know-how through training of counterpart staff.

- Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA):
 - Study of Existing Environment
 - Identification & Assessment of Potential Environmental Impacts
 - Identification of Mitigation Measures
 - Conduct Public Consultations
 - Preparation of a Resettlement Action Plan (RAP)
 - Preparation of Environmental & Social Management Plan (ESMP)
 - Preparation of Illustrative Materials
 - Design Training program & organize training workshops
 - Training by transfer of technological know-how through training of counterpart staff.



This contract is expected to be implemented from January 2010 to November 2010.

The budget for the provision of consultancy services is provisionally set at the equivalent of 38 staff.months.

Consulting firms are invited to respond to the Call for Expression of Interest (EOI).

Interested Consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc).

On the basis of the applications received, a short-list of candidates will be invited to submit detailed tenders for this contract. The following selection criteria will be applied to candidates: i) economic and financial standing of candidate, ii) a demonstrated track record in the carrying out of similar studies, iii) the ability to provide experienced and well-qualified staff for this assignment in the relevant professional disciplines. In case of applications by a consortium, these selection criteria will be applied to the consortium as a whole.

Interested Consultants should note that a separate Call for EOI in carrying out a Feasibility Study has also been published. Consultants can respond to either Call for EOI, but not both.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the European Investment Bank's [Guide to Procurement](#) (restricted procedure) February 2004 Edition, following a request for proposals to be issued to a short-list of qualified candidates.

Interested eligible Consultants may obtain further information from:

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All Expressions of Interest must be delivered in closed envelopes bearing the mention

“Expression of Interest for the Line Route and Environmental and Social Impact Assessment Study on the 330 kV Riviera (Côte d’Ivoire) – Prestea (Ghana) Interconnection Reinforcement Project”

not later than 12 noon local time Benin, August 4th, 2009 at the following address:



West African Power Pool Secretariat
Zones des Ambassades, PK-6
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A copy of each Expression of Interest must also be sent to the following address:

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