

Prequalification: “Implementation Consultant for the FC “Skills and Employment Program” in support of NBI’s IRM Employment Initiative in South Africa

Notice for submitting Prequalification Documents		
<u>Partner Country</u>	Republic of South Africa	
<u>Sector:</u>	SME Development and Vocational Training	
<u>Deadline for receipt:</u>	January 23rd, 2024, 12.00 h CET (German time)	
<u>Language</u>	English	
<u>Project:</u>	FC “Skills and Employment Program” for the establishment of IRM Township Hubs	
<u>Ref.-Nr.:</u>	BMZ 2020 68 096/ KfW 510437	
<u>Tendering Authority</u>	National Business Initiative (NBI) South Africa	Tender Agent: Dietmar Ziller Eltinger Strasse 60 70195 Stuttgart, Germany Email: dietmar.ziller@as-ziller.de
<u>Project description</u>	<p>The Project concerns the promotion of youth employment in the artisanal sector of installation, repair, and maintenance (IRM) facilitated by the National Business Initiative (NBI). The purpose of the Project is to establish artisanal IRM training hubs offering skills and business development services for entrepreneurs, micro-enterprises and IRM trainees from targeted local communities. This is to contribute to the objective of the IRM initiative to develop township economies through supporting small, medium, and micro township enterprises (SMMEs) to grow their businesses and thereby create employment opportunities for young people from these communities. The program also aims to support the transition towards & development of the green economy and to unlock related business opportunities for the target groups.</p> <p>Within the FC project, NBI will design, construct, and equip IRM hubs at selected TVET colleges in close cooperation with neighbouring industrial/economic development zones. The IRM hubs will serve as interfaces between supply and demand of labour and support all facets of job creation throughout the value chain in different kinds of installation, repair, and maintenance businesses.</p> <p>In order to promote sustainable construction skills & methods, it is envisaged that the design and construction of the IRM hubs will need to meet requirements for certification of resource-efficient and low carbon buildings using the EDGE¹ system.</p> <p>It is also intended that the construction process will be leveraged to provide skills and business development opportunities for local enterprises. To achieve this, the project will tender and contract a regional general contractor (at least CIBD rating 5), who will subcontract and supervise SMMEs from the respective localities.</p> <p>Besides establishing the IRM hubs, the FC fund will be used to finance “Service-Level Agreements” between the program and the IRM hubs for the implementation of business incubation and acceleration support measures as well as project management costs and consulting services.</p> <p>The German Government provides a FC grant in the amount of EUR 11 million. Another EUR 4.5 million through GIZ/SECO are already in implementation. For financing of business support services and IRM skilling programs, funding will be mobilized in the public and private sector. With the current FC funding phase, the NBI will build IRM Township hubs over the next 5 years in the following locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mamelodi, Gauteng – At the Mamelodi Campus of the Tshwane North TVET College • Katlehong, Gauteng – At the Kathorus Campus of the Ekurhuleni West TVET College • Khayelitsha, Western Cape – At the Khayelitsha Campus of the False Bay TVET College • Atlantis, Western Cape – At the Atlantis Campus of the West Coast TVET College • Mandeni, KwaZulu-Natal – At the Mandeni Campus of the Umfolozi TVET College <p>The IRM hubs in Khayelitsha and Atlantis (Western Cape Province) will be completely new builds, all other hubs are partial builds and refurbishments of existing structures.</p>	
<u>Requested Services</u>	<p>This tender concerns the appointment of an Implementation Consultant (IC) to support the NBI (Project Executing Agency) in the implementation of the program. The support to be provided by the IC comprises two parts i.e. development consultancy services and construction project management services. This implies the management of projects within the built environment from conception to completion, including management of related professional services. The Construction Project Manager is the one point of responsibility in this regard.</p> <p>The IC shall be a competent firm or firms, in the case of a joint venture, that has experience in providing:</p>	

¹ EDGE (“Excellence in Design for Greater Efficiencies”) is a free software, a green building standard, and an international green building certification system (<https://edgebuildings.com/>)

	<p>a) Development consultancy services with experience in German Financial Cooperation project implementation or similar, and</p> <p>b) Construction Project Management Services with experience in sustainable construction & green building compliance certification as well as in inclusive construction management i.e., ensuring the involvement of local, Small, Medium and Micro Enterprises (SMMEs) and local labourers. The firm/ firms must be registered with the South African Council for the Project and Construction Management Professions (SACPCMP).</p> <p>To enable the effective roll out of the construction programme, the IC will be responsible for amongst others:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Acting as the principal agent during the construction phase of the programme. 2. The provision of Construction Project Professional Services 3. The provision of Procurement Support to the NBI particularly for the tendering of main contractors and suppliers in accordance with the KfW Procurement Guideline. 4. Supporting the NBI to ensure the programme meets the prescribed Environmental Impact and Social Safeguarding requirements. 5. Supporting the NBI to ensure the programme meets the prescribed community liaison and stakeholder management requirements. 6. Co-managing the disposition account / co-signing of Withdrawal Requests & Evidence for the Use of Funds to KfW. 7. Support the NBI in remote monitoring & evaluation as well as in reporting. <p>In line with South Africa's Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Act and relevant sector codes a B-BBEE rating will apply. In the event of a joint venture between a South African and a non-South African entity, the B-BBEE rating of the South African entity will apply.</p> <p>In addition, since there may be future funding phases, the contract of the IC will include the option for further contract amendments to expand the consulting services for additional IRM sites.</p>
<u>German FC grant</u>	EUR 11 million of which EUR 8 million is the estimated value of the construction works. The FC contribution is considered the first funding phase. It is envisaged that the program may be expanded in future funding phases to further locations.
<u>Project Duration</u>	Approx. 5 years (with the option to extend)
<u>Required Documents</u>	<p>The Tender Process is subject to KfW's „Guidelines for the Procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Plant, Goods and Non-Consulting Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries“, see: https://www.kfw-entwicklungsbank.de/International-financing/KfW-Development-Bank/Publications-Videos/Publication-series/Guidelines-and-contracts/</p> <p>Reference shall be made to the <u>Invitation for Expression of Interest - Pre-Qualification (PQ)</u></p> <p>Submission of pre-qualification shall include amongst other documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Declaration of Undertaking, ▪ Declaration of Association, ▪ Audited financial balance sheets over the last 3 years, ▪ Annual turn-over for the last 3 years, ▪ Proof of company registration with the CIPC for South African entities and the relevant entity/ authority for non-South African entities. In the case of a JV, the applicants should submit proof of registration of each of the members of the JV, ▪ Valid tax clearance certificate from the South African Revenue Service (SARS) or the relevant tax agency of the country of domicile, if other than South Africa, ▪ Proof of B-BBEE status (valid status level verification certificate) ▪ Proof of registration with the SACPCMP, ▪ Minimum 5 and maximum 15 project references proving experience in construction project management services, and more specifically highlighting experience in vocational education and training, retail and light industry manufacturing and production spaces, green and sustainable technologies, community participation and SME development, and experience in international FC projects as Implementation Consultant, and ▪ List of available experts related to the project – distinguished between in-house personnel and external (freelancers).
<u>Further Information</u>	Further detailed information (in English) can be received on request from the Tender Agent, please contact: dietmar.ziller@as-ziller.de .
<u>Submission</u>	<p>Submission of the PQ documents is to be made via www.exficon.de/tad/e-procurement/.</p> <p>Access to the data room will be provided latest seven (7) days before submission date.</p> <p>Note: Only those that have submitted an expression of interest during the prequalification phase and having indicated a responsible person (name, e-mail, phone), will be considered for appointment.</p>
<u>Finance source:</u>	German Government via the German Development Bank (KfW).