



## **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR FIRMS**

### **CONSULTING SERVICES: IMPLEMENTATION OF VAT E-INVOICING SOLUTION (CONSULTING FIRM)**

#### **KINGDOM OF LESOTHO**

#### **LESOTHO TAX MODERNISATION PROJECT**

**Sector: Tax Administration**

**Project ID No.: P-LS-KF0-004**

The Government of the Kingdom of Lesotho has received financing from the African Development Fund towards implementation of the Lesotho Tax Modernisation Project and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this loan to payments under the contract for the **implementation of VAT e-invoicing solution**.

The aim of the project is to strengthen tax administration capacity by expanding the tax base, modernising collection and compliance procedures, amending and consolidating the legal framework, and strengthening the institutional framework. The specific objective is to engage the consultancy firm to provide Lesotho Revenue Authority with the necessary capacity to implement the VAT -invoicing solutions. The scope of the consultancy services includes the following but not limited to:

- a) Guide LRA to secure the latest or even the future desired VAT e-invoicing solution, preferably Cloud Based Solution and software;
- b) Design and implement the VAT e-invoicing solution such that it is fully integrated into the already existing LRA solutions or systems;
- c) Re-engineer relevant business processes to support the VAT fiscalisation through e-invoicing, including development of required Policies, Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and Business Rules;
- d) Lead integration of Client VAT data and another relevant data into individual Clients monthly VAT Returns to facilitate automatic compliance in the form of pre-population of VAT returns.
- e) Guide LRA on the most appropriate structure and governance to enable smooth implementation of the e-invoicing solution;
- f) Guide LRA on the most appropriate legislative framework to enable smooth implementation and adoption of the e-invoicing solution;

- g) Design and conduct survey on the Clients' Point of Sale readiness towards
- h) Develop Change Management and Communication interventions to ensure that all internal and external stakeholders support the smooth implementation of e-invoicing solution.

The estimated duration of this assignment is Twenty-Three (23) months from the date of signing the contract.

The Lesotho Revenue Authority now invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultancy firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services and clearly indicating the countries where they have implemented the e-invoicing solution (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the Procurement Policy and Methodology for the African Development Bank Group Funded Operations, dated October 2015, which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>.

Interested consultancy firms may obtain further information **e-mail** addresses below during office hours 08.00 hours to 16.30 hours local time.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by **30<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 16:30** and electronic submissions should mention as the subject message "**Implementation of VAT e-invoicing solution**" and should be sent to the address below.

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