MALAWI: TRANSPORT SECTOR

NAME OF PROJECT - Southern Africa Trade and Transport Facilitation Program - SOP2
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Assignment Title:
Consulting Services for Detailed Engineering Design and Construction Supervision of Works to Mitigate the Accident Black-Spots on the North-South Corridor along the M1 Road

Reference No.: RA/CON/2016-17/15

The Government of Malawi (GOM) has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the second phase of the Southern Africa Trade and Transport Facilitation Project (SATTFP-SOP2), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services above.

This assignment is under component 1 improving the Road Infrastructure, of the Southern Africa Trade and Transport Facilitation Program. The component comprises of three sub-components which are to strengthen asset management, improve the condition of the road network and mitigate accident black spots.

A risk-based Road Safety Assessment carried out on the 2,809 km paved road network in Malawi with grant funding from the Global Road Safety Facility (GRSF), identified 70 accident black spots. The black spots were ranked according to the Benefit-Cost ratio where the black spot treatment with the highest reduction in fatality and serious accident costs per investment was ranked highest.

At a workshop in Lilongwe in March, 2014, seven out of 70 priority black spots, five of which are between Lilongwe and Blantyre and two are between Lilongwe and Kasungu,
were confirmed with stakeholders for inclusion in the project. Almost 400 fatal accidents and 250 serious accidents have been registered on these 70 black spots over the period of 2008-2012.

The improvement of road safety at these locations is important for reducing fatalities on Malawian roads and are a key part of the Director of Road Traffic Safety and Services (DRTSS) strategy.

The consulting services ("the Services") include Consulting Services to assist Roads Authority (RA):

To prepare detailed engineering designs for the priority locations and to utilize these in the preparation of bidding documents to allow the Government of Malawi with the assistance of the World Bank to procure works for the rehabilitation of the road.

To select a contractor to execute the works through national competitive bidding procedures.

To supervise the works to ensure that the works are completed in accordance with the requirements of the Construction Contract Documents.

Award of supervision phase to the Consultant is subject to satisfactory performance on detailed engineering design and selection of a contractor phase.

The Government of Malawi represented by the Roads Authority (RA) now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

a. Number of similar assignments;
b. Field of specialization of the firm;
c. Experience in carrying out feasibility studies, detailed engineering designs, preparation of tender documents and construction supervision assignments within the last five (5) years;
d. Availability of qualified key experts for the assignment;
e. Experience in similar working conditions.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank’s Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers of January 2011, revised 2014 ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications.
A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours \textit{i.e.} 0800 to 1630 hours local time.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by 18\textsuperscript{th} November, 2016, 14:00 hours local time.

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