

## WEST AFRICAN HEALTH ORGANISATION ORGANISATION OUEST AFRICAINE DE LA SANTE ORGANIZAÇÃO OESTE AFRICANA DA SAÚDE

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

AUDIT OF USAID RESOURCES MANAGED BY WEST AFRICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION UNDER THE LEADERSHIP CAPACITY STRENGTHENING PROJECT (CAPS) PROJECT AGREEMENT NO. AID-624-A-15-00001 FOR THE PERIOD (February 03, 2015 to December 31, 2017).

Implementation of Audit of the Fund Accountability Statement of USAID Resources Managed by the West African Health Organization (WAHO) under the Leadership Capacity Strengthening (CAPS) Project (Cooperative Agreement No: AID-624-A-15-00001) for the Period February 03, 2015 through December 31, 2017.

On February 03, 2015, USAID approved a cooperative agreement: "the Leadership Capacity Strengthening (CAPS) Project" (AID-624-A-15-00001) with a total estimated cost of USD\$7,433,999.90. This amount will be financed by USAID/West Africa's Regional Health Office (RHO) for a period of four years ending January 31, 2019. WAHO agrees to expend an amount of USD\$ 335,130.43 as cost-share (non-federal) for the total activity in terms of level of effort for staff time.

The purpose of the Project is "to strengthen the capacity of WAHO to be the lead health institution in the region for policy harmonization and advocacy, promoting public-private partnerships for health, and identifying, sharing, and supporting the scale-up of best practices in health in West Africa".

The objective of this engagement is to conduct a financial audit of the USAID/West Africa resources managed by the West African Health Organization (WAHO) under the Leadership Capacity Strengthening (CAPS) Project [Cooperative Agreement N°: AID-624-A-15-00001) for the Period February 03, 2015 through December 31, 2017] on a yearly basis in accordance with U.S. Government Auditing Standards [2011/2007] revision issued by the U.S. Government Accountability Office and the USAID Office of the Inspector General "Guidelines for Financial Audits Contracted by Foreign Recipients (Guidelines)."

This therefore means that three separate audit reports will be prepared as follows:

- 1. Audit for the period February 03, 2015 December 31, 2015.
- 2. Audit for the period January 01, 2016 December 31, 2016.
- 3. Audit for the period January 01, 2017 December 31, 2017.

The Audit exercises will each last for 30 days. The first draft of each of the reports should be submitted by August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and the final report should be submitted at least within two weeks.

The West African Health Organisation (WAHO) now invites eligible consulting firms and or consultants to indicate their interest in providing the said services in order to shortlist candidates from which proposals can be requested. This invitation shall comply with Articles 29 (1) (2) of ECOWAS Tender Code. Interested firms/consultants should indicate their interest in providing the services of External Audit. Interested Audit Firms/consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Should be an internationally recognised firm of Chartered Accountants who have been in existence for at least ten years.
- Should show proven record of Auditing and Review of at least three International Organisations within the last five years.
- Evidence of financial and procurement audit of development projects, including projects financed by the USAID would be an added advantage.

Any and all costs and expenses incurred in relation to, or ensuing from, the submission of an expression of interest, including the possible complementary information and/or a more detailed proposal, if so requested by WAHO will exclusively be borne by the concerned firm. The submission of expressions of interest and the subsequent selection process as set forth in this document will not be subject to claims for financial compensation, other claims of any kind whatsoever, or appeal.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub consultancy to enhance their qualifications.

The selection will be in accordance with the "Least Cost Selection" (LCS) method set out in the article 47 of Ecowas Tender Code-January 2015.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours; 08:00 to 16:00 (Monday to Friday).

Expression of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, by mail or by e-mail) not later than 11.00 am on 14 June 2018.

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