

# Ministry of Finance and Planning

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI)

COUNTRY: Republic of South Sudan

NAME OF PROJECT: Public Financial Management and Institutional Strengthening Project

PROJECT ID: P176761 Grant No.: IDA-D977-SS

Assignment Title: Consultant to Review and Update Internal Audit Bill, Charter and

**Procedures Manual** 

Reference No.: SS-MOFP-380370-CS-INDV

Place of assignment: **Juba, South Sudan Closing Date: 6**<sup>th</sup> **October, 2023** 

### 1. Background

The Government of South Sudan through the Ministry of Finance and Planning (MoFP) has received a grant from the World Bank towards the cost of implementing Public Financial Management and Institutional Strengthening Project (PFMIS).

The project seeks to strengthen transparency and accountability within the PFM system; and one of the key interventions is to improve the legal framework for internal auditing, enhance capacity of internal auditors and improve the operational environment to ensure effective and efficient internal controls within the system.

An Internal Audit Bill was drafted in 2011 and updated in 2012 but has not been passed into law. Also an Internal Audit Charter and Internal Audit Procedures Manual were developed which have to be reviewed and aligned to the proposed Internal Audit Service Bill

The Ministry of Finance and Planning is seeking to use a portion of the PFMIS Project grant to finance an **Individual Consultant** to support the Directorate of Internal Audit to review, update and align the Internal Audit Service Bill, Internal Audit Charter and Internal Audit Procedures Manual.

#### 2. Scope of Work and Responsibilities:

The Consultant shall be required in consultation with the Internal Audit Directorate and identified stakeholders to: (a) Conduct a detailed review of existing Internal Audit and relevant PFM legal, regulatory and institutional frameworks within which the proposed Internal Audit legal and regulatory framework is to be applied; (b) Identify areas in the Bill, Charter and the Procedures Manual to be refined and modernized and propose necessary amendments and improvements; (c) Prepare for and facilitate validation of the proposed Draft Internal Service Bill, Internal Audit Charter and Internal Audit Service Procedures Manual by the Ministry of Finance and Planning

and relevant stakeholders; (d) Orient and guide the Internal Audit staff on the implications and proper implementation of the proposed Internal Audit Bill 2023, Internal Audit Charter and Internal Audit Procedures Manual

The Consultant will be required to undertake all tasks and deliver the outputs detailed in the terms of reference (TOR) that will be provided upon request through the email contact below.

#### 3. Selection Criteria:

Selection shall be based on qualification and experience of the candidate and followed by an interview. The Consultant shall fulfil the following qualification and experience:

- (a) A minimum of a Master's degree in Accounting, Audit, Finance, Public Finance Management or Law from recognized institution.
- (b) Should have professional certificates such as ACCA or CIA or CPA or LLP etc.
- (c) At least 8 years of relevant working and consulting experience in audit in the public sector preferably in the developing country context.
- (d) At least 5 years' experience in drafting PFM related laws and regulations in the public sector, conducting and implementing capacity assessment and development initiatives/ experience in facilitating trainings/meetings/events on confidence building and advocacy in area of Internal Auditing
- (e) Fluency in English language is a must, and other local languages is an advantage

The shortlisted candidates will be invited for oral interview. Consultant will be required to possess the skills and competences listed in the TOR.

Government officials or civil servants will not be considered unless: (i) they are on leave of absence without pay or have resigned or retired six months prior to the date of the advert; and (ii) their employment will not create Conflict of interest.

#### 4. Duration:

The assignment will be carried out over a period of sixty (60) working days and it is estimated to be completed within three months from the commencement date.

- **5.** The attention of interested individual consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank's 'Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers' July 2016 revised November 2017, July 2018 and November 2020 [Procurement in investment Project Financing; Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services], setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest
- **6.** A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultants Selection method set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations.
- 7. The MoFP now invites eligible Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in providing the above-mentioned services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they

are qualified to perform the services and furnish the Curriculum Vitae (CV) in the prescribed form that will be provided with the TOR upon request through the e-mail given below.

## 8. Submission of Applications and deadline:

Interested Consultants may obtain further information including a detailed TOR and the format for the CV from the below email.

An Expressions of Interest (EOI) and CV in the prescribed format with 3 reference persons must be sent to: <a href="mailto:procurement.pfmis@gmail.com">procurement.pfmis@gmail.com</a> or delivered by hand on or before 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 17:00 Hours (Juba local time)

The package must be clearly marked as "Review and Update of Internal Audit Bill, Charter and Procedures Manual" and submitted to the email address below.

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