



Ministry of Finance and Planning

Republic of South Sudan

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS OFFICER

COUNTRY: **Republic of South Sudan**
NAME OF PROJECT: **Enhancing Community Resilience and Local Governance Project Phase II**
PROJECT ID: **P177093** Grant No.: **IDA-D980-SS**
Assignment Title: **Environmental and Social and Safeguards Officer**
Reference No.: **SS-MOFP-409001-CS-INDV**
Place of assignment: **Juba, South Sudan**
Closing Date: **15th May 2024**

1. Background: The Government of South Sudan (GoSS), through the Ministry of Finance and Planning (MoFP) and the Local Government Board (LGB), is leading the implementation of a World Bank-funded Enhancing Community Resilience and Local Governance Phase II (ECRP II). The Project development objective is to improve access to services, strengthen flood resilience, and enhance institutional capacity for local service delivery and integrated disaster risk management at the national and sub-national levels.

The Project has five (5) components namely: (i) Infrastructure and Services for Community Resilience (ii) Institution Strengthening (iii) Emergency Flood Response; (iv) Project Management and Learning; and (v) Contingent Emergency Response.

A Project Management Unit (PMU) has been established within the MoFP to cater for the two projects with the primary task of project management and overseeing the performance of IOM and other service providers, stakeholder outreach and communications, fiduciary and procurement management, Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E), community engagement, and risk management related to social and environmental safeguards, fiduciary oversight as well as maintaining infrastructure quality and standards. The ECRP-II PMU will also coordinate communications and contacts between the LGB and County Coordination Teams (CCTs) established under ECRP to regularize support for constructive county engagement in local resource management, service delivery improvements, and maintenance activity

The Ministry of Finance & Planning intends to apply part of the proceeds of the grant to fund the position of **Environmental and Social and Safeguards Officer** to provide support to implementation of ECRP-II.

2. Scope of Services and Responsibilities: The scope of services for the position involves planning and management of the Environmental and Social impacts of the ECRP II. The Officer will work under the Senior Social Safeguards Specialist and Senior Environmental Specialist, in

the review of all subproject screening forms, participate in capacity building activities for project personnel, participate in regular field visits to ECRP II target States to ensure implementation of the ESMF, Assist in the provision of technical guidance on environmental and social issues, Contribute to the revision, implementation and monitoring of environmental and social safeguards tools, take part in the safeguards monitoring and auditing in the implementation of subprojects as per the ESMF, support implementation of Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM), Participate in the preparation of project responses on issues of compliance with environmental and social safeguards; and support project team members to ensure project coordination and achievement of the overall ECRP II project objectives related to ESMF implementation. The Consultant will be required to undertake all tasks and deliver outputs detailed in the terms of reference (TOR) that will be provided upon submission of application.

3. Selection Criteria: Selection shall be based on qualification and experience of the candidate and followed by an interview. The qualification and experience required for shortlisting will include:

(i) Bachelor's degree in social sciences, environmental management, social development or biological sciences including forestry, agriculture, botany, zoology or related field; (ii) A minimum of five years' practical experience in the Eastern Africa region, especially working in a fragile context, with skills in stakeholder engagement and consultation, and community participation and at least two years' practical experience in the environment/social sector preferably in environmental and social impacts management; (iii) Specific experience working in South Sudan contexts within the humanitarian and development sector is highly desirable (iv) computer skills in Microsoft Office applications (Word, Excel, and PowerPoint); (v) Fluency in written and spoken English.

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:

Duration of the assignment is 12 months, renewable based on satisfactory performance and availability of funds.

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 MoF&P 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 by e-mail at the address given below.**

8. Submission of Applications and deadline:

Interested Applicants may obtain detailed TOR and the format for the CV from the below email.

An Expression of interest (EOI) and CV in the prescribed format with 3 reference persons must be sent to: procurement.ecrp@gmail.com or delivered by hand to the address indicated below by **15th May 2024 at 17:00 Hours (Juba local time)**. The submission must be clearly marked as **“Application for Environmental and Social and Safeguards Officer”**.

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