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## **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

### **PROCUREMENT NUMBER: EOI APRM/CRM/AUC/SED/02/2022: ROSTER FOR INTERNATIONAL CONSULTANT FOR COUNTRY REVIEW MISSION – SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (SED)**

**Public Sector-Governance**

**Country:** South Africa

### **BACKGROUND**

The African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM) is a self-monitoring mechanism established in 2003 by Heads of State and Government, to which member states of the African Union voluntarily accede. Its purpose and mandate are spelt out in the Declaration on Democracy, Political, Economic and Corporate Governance adopted by the African Heads of State and Government at the inaugural Session of the Assembly of the African Union in Durban, South Africa, in 2002.

APRM Socio-Economic Development (SED) intends to procure the services of experienced Consultants to undertake the Country Review in the thematic area of **Socio-Economic Development (SED)**

### **OBJECTIVES**

The Objectives of the Country Review Mission (CRM) is to visit the relevant APRM member states and carry out the widest possible range of consultations with the Government officials, political parties, parliamentarians, academia, trade unions, faith-based organizations, business, professional bodies, and others on Socio-Economic Development (SED) issues.

### **SCOPE OF THE ASSIGNMENT**

The consultancy service shall commence upon signing the contract and the duration for each assignment is estimated at two to three weeks. It is anticipated that there shall be about six country reviews undertaken during 2022.

Interested consultants may obtain further information or clarification through email: [tenderinfo@aprm-au.org](mailto:tenderinfo@aprm-au.org)

## Qualifications & Experience

The Consultants MUST have the following:

- Education: Master's degree in Economics or Socioeconomic development related fields with at least ten years related experience after a master's degree. Those with PhD will have an added advantage.
- Have produced at least two publications or research papers relevant to Socioeconomic Development.

### Experience:

1. Have at least 10 years progressively responsible experience in national and/or international experience in economic and social development, with particular emphasis on broad-based economic growth and poverty reduction in various capacities;
2. Demonstrate effective ability for teamwork, as well as the ability to work independently;
3. Extensive knowledge of the Constitutive Act of the African Union as well as the overall objectives of the APRM, particularly in the thematic area of Socio-Economic Development and its interactions with the other areas;
4. Broad knowledge of international relations and development issues in Africa and in general global terms
5. Understanding of Africa-focused programs of Development Finance Institutions (e.g., Bretton Woods institutions, UN Agencies etc.) and other developmental partners.
6. High quality publications and experience in the field of Corporate Governance and the major contemporary challenges facing Africa.
7. Have project management experience and able to respect deadlines.
8. Knowledge of the AU languages that is; English or French or Portuguese or Arabic, consultant **MUST** indicate their preferred language/s
9. Description of similar assignments, and experience in similar assignments in Africa
10. Experience in an APRM country reviews or experience in conducting similar assignments in Africa preferably with other AU organs.

The APRM now invites applications from eligible consultants to provide consultancy services under the Socioeconomic Development thematic area. From the shortlist, APRM will establish a roster of eligible and qualified consultants for a period of one year to be updated annually . Whenever a country review mission is to be undertaken in any of the APRM member countries, APRM shall select consultants from the existing and shortlisted pool, who shall be issued with the Terms of Reference.

Eligible consultants MUST indicate their interest for the above-mentioned consultancy by providing the following requisite information and documentation:

1. Full curriculum vitae that includes information on
  - a) Nationality;
  - b) Date of Birth;
  - c) State Language (spoken & written) that is the AU language (English, French, Arabic & Portuguese);
  - d) Gender;
  - e) Educational qualifications and
  - f) Professional experience, expertise, and referees
2. Proof of all academic and professional qualifications listed on the CV through submitting copies of relevant degree certificates.
3. Have broad knowledge of International Relations, Social Economic Development and Reform issues in Africa and Globally.
4. Evidence of publications

Interested consultants may obtain further information by contacting [tenderinfo@aprm-au.org](mailto:tenderinfo@aprm-au.org) during office hours (8h00 -17h00 SAST). Clarification shall be published on the APRM website ([www.aprm-au.org](http://www.aprm-au.org)) and MUST be requested not less than seven days prior to the closing date of the bid. Clarifications not received within this period shall be rejected.

#### **SUBMISSION OF BIDS:**

1. Expressions of interest must be submitted through E-mail: **tender@aprm-au.org** or physically to the address below on or before **7<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 1100hrs South Africa time. The REOI shall be opened on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 11 hours South Africa time.**  
**Only the shortlisted candidates** will be requested to submit proposals.
2. Submission Title: **BE TITLED: PROCUREMENT NUMBER: EOI APRM/CRM/AUC/SED/02/2022: ROSTER FOR INTERNATIONAL CONSULTANT SED.**
3. Only bids submitted on time shall be accepted **FOR COUNTRY REVIEW MISSION – Socioeconomic Development (SED)**
4. Bids submitted with wrong submission title shall be rejected.
5. These shortlist/roster shall be for a period of three years starting February 2022. However, the list will be update annually as and when necessary
6. The shortlist shall be published on APRM website.