## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL SELECTION)

## LIBERIA INSTITUTE OF STATISTICS AND GEO-INFORMATION SERVICES (LISGIS)

STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL STATISTICAL SYSTEM

**Grant No.: TF 016277** 

**Assignment Title: Resident Advisor for National Accounts** 

Reference No.: HIES/C/IC/27/2018

The Government of Liberia has received financing from the World Bank, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA), the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the African Development Bank (AfDB), and the European Commission (EC) toward the cost of Strengthening the National Statistics System, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include

- Assist in establishing a detailed project timetable for building relationships and technical specifications for routine administrative data collection from line Ministries and Agencies;
- Assist with activities of the 2018 National Accounts Annual Survey
- Ensure data collected from administrative sources are in the correct formats, and at an
  international standard, to be incorporated into the LISGIS National Accounts
  databased in collaboration with the National Accounts Staff and IMF Regional
  Advisor;
- In collaboration with the National Accounts Staff (NAS), develop the IT specifications for the data input system, oversee communication of those specifications to line Ministries, create templates for effective and routine data sharing;
- Provide ongoing capacity building to the National Accounts Staff on National Accounts and related activities;
- Coordinate analytical/technical activities with key technical counterparts (such as the World Bank, the IMF, ECOWAS, etc.) and experts in those areas, to meet the objectives of the MDTF/TFSCB, namely:
  - o SUT framework design including classifications i.e. product and industry based on the international standards of the CPC Ver. 2.and ISIC Rev. 4.
  - o Data processing and compilation procedures and report.
- Prepare monthly status update report on the activities of the National Accounts department to be circulated to the key stakeholders;
- Prepare presentation, briefing notes, agenda and minutes as required for meetings related to National Accounts;

- Ensure administrative side of project is well managed;
- Ensure NAS are involved with and understand all stages of the assignment;
- Advise the National Accounts Department and LISGIS on topics and decisions related to National Accounts;
- Assist with all other works relating to National Accounts
- Perform any assignment that may be assigned by the Director General of LISGIS when time is available:
- Raise any issue requiring attention to relevant stakeholders immediately to assist with resolution.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained at the address given below.

LISGIS now invites eligible individuals ("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 master degree in Economics, Statistics or a related field (or a Bachelor's degree with 6-7 years of professional working experience);
- 3-4 years of professional experience with working on National Accounts statistics in developing countries, in particular West Africa;
- Proficiency in English is key and extensive skills in statistical software, Excel, and others;
- Experience working in government ministry or agency, or a national statistics bureau is essential.
- Knowledge of working with STATA and other statistical software is key

The assignment is for three (3) months and renewable based on need.

The attention of interested 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 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Approved Selection Methods for Individual Consultants set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 0900 to 1700 hours

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by 1700 hour on 23 March 2018.

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