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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(CONSULTING SERVICES– FIRMS SELECTION)

**AFRICA CDC REGIONAL INVESTMENT FINANCING PROJECT (P167916)**

**Grant No. IDA-D5260**

**ASSIGNMENT TITLE: CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO ESTABLISH THE AFRICA CDC REGIONAL INTEGRATED SURVEILLANCE AND LABORATORY NETWORK (RISLNET) IN SOUTHERN AFRICA**

**Ref. No.: ET-AUC-225259-CS-QCBS**

The African Union has received financing from the World Bank for the "Africa CDC Regional Investment Financing Project (ACDCP)”, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

**Development Objective of the Project (P167916)**: The Project Development Objective is to support Africa CDC to strengthen continental and regional infectious disease detection and response systems.

**Objective of the Assignment**

The overall objective of the assignment is to support Member States with activities to strengthen cross-border referral and surveillance and laboratory capacities and enhance efficiencies of existing public health assets to effectively prevent, rapidly detect, and resolutely respond to current and emerging public health threats, including potential outbreaks and the spread of infectious diseases.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: (<https://au.int/bids>) or can be obtained at the address given below.]

The African Union Commission now invites eligible consulting firms (“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:

1. Qualifications and experience of the firm; such as Core business and years in business,
2. Relevant experience related to the assignment
3. Technical organization and management of the firm

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.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *8:00-13:00hrs and 14:00-17:00 hours, Addis Ababa Time.*

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form following **the above shortlisting criteria** to the address below (**by e-mail**) before **04 May 2021 at 15:00 Hours Local Time**, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

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