

DATE: 5 December 2023

**NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION -  
Engagement of a Firm to Develop a Roadmap from Foundational Identification  
Systems to the ECOWAS National Biometric Identity Card**

The ECOWAS Commission refers to its Expression of Interest for the Engagement of a Firm to

Develop a Roadmap from Foundational Identification Systems to the ECOWAS National Biometric Identity Card and wishes to inform the General Public and particularly the potential consultants, that submission Deadline for applications initially **scheduled for Wednesday, 6 December 2023 at 11:00 a.m. (GMT+1), Nigeria Time has been Extended to Thursday, December 14, 2023 (same time).**

All other conditions of EOI notice remain unchanged.

This extension is necessary to give room to more potential consultants to submit their expression of interest for this activity.

Thank you.

Signed

ECOWAS Commission Management

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### **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES - FIRMS SELECTION) NIGERIA**

#### **Consulting-REOI-ENBIC**

#### **Development\_of\_roadmap\_from\_fid\_systems\_to\_the\_ENBIC-VF-ENG**

### **ECOWAS - WEST AFRICA UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION FOR REGIONAL INTEGRATION AND INCLUSION (WURI)**

Project Reference No.: P161329

Engagement of a Firm to Develop a Roadmap from Foundational Identification Systems to the ECOWAS National Biometric Identity Card

Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) has received a grant from the World Bank toward the implementation of West Africa Unique Identification for Regional Integration and Inclusion (WURI) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the Engagement of a Firm to Develop a Roadmap from Foundational Identification Systems to the ECOWAS National Biometric Identity Card. The consulting services (“the Services”) include to elaborate a clear, concise, agile, and implementable process roadmap that will serve as a pathway towards the effective deployment of the ENBIC by Member States. The Roadmap will draw from a stakeholders’ assessment and systems interoperability strategy which are under elaboration.

The Roadmap should cover all the fifteen (15) Member States of the ECOWAS region and it

should include  
the following:

- a) In consideration of Member States' existing fID systems and capacities, undertake a stakeholders' consultation with the view to articulate strategic and sequenced pathways for (i) countries to utilise their fID systems to implement the ENBIC and (ii) individuals to use their fID credentials as a stepping stone towards obtaining an ENBIC, for consideration by the fID institutions.
- b) Elaborate the functions of the stakeholders responsible for the planning, design, development, deployment, operations, and life cycle management of the ENBIC, including the institutional coordination mechanisms in place for the management of the ENBIC.
- c) Elaborate the legal and institutional considerations for implementing the pathways from fID systems and fID credentials to the ENBIC, bearing in mind the Member States identification legislation, regulations and regional obligations as contained in the Decision of 1st December 2014 relative to the Travel Certificate for ECOWAS Member States.
- d) Proffer recommendations of the digital infrastructure and equipment requirement - for example, the smart card readers, data entry devices, for implementing the pathways from fID systems and fID credentials to the ENBIC.
- e) Detail the potential risks, general resource requirements associated with the pathways processes, and metrics for measuring the Member States progress towards delivering the ENBIC to the citizens.

The engagement commences from contract effective date for a period of three (3) months.  
The payments

shall be done in line with contract's schedule.

The ECOWAS 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. Key Experts will not be evaluated at this stage.

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": Procurement in Investment Project Financing - Goods,

Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services, July 2016, revised November 2017, setting forth the World

Bank's policy on conflict of interest in Consulting Services.

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 Consultant's qualification-based

Selection set out in the

Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours Monday to Friday from 9.00

a.m. to 5.00 p.m. (GMT + 1) Local Time.

ECOWAS Commission, Directorate, Administration and General Services

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Expressions of interest must be submitted electronically to **[ikkamara@ecowas.int](mailto:ikkamara@ecowas.int)** with copy to **[procurement@ecowas.int](mailto:procurement@ecowas.int), [sbangoura@ecowas.int](mailto:sbangoura@ecowas.int), [asiaw-boateng@ecowas.int](mailto:asiaw-boateng@ecowas.int), [sabubakar-bello@ecowas.int](mailto:sabubakar-bello@ecowas.int), [rguira@ecowas.int](mailto:rguira@ecowas.int)** by Wednesday December 6, 2023, at 11.00 a.m. (GMT + 1).