



## MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AND DIASPORA AFFAIRS STATE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

### Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Consultancy Services to work in the special task force of the Threshold Grant Agreement and the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) Programme funded by the USA Government

#### I. Background

The Government of Kenya has entered into a Threshold Grant Agreement with the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC), a bilateral development agency of the US Government. The MCC Programme is aimed at supporting the Government's efforts to address the constraints to economic growth and poverty reduction in the country. To facilitate the implementation of the MCC Programme, a Special Task Force has been established to coordinate and oversee the implementation of the MCC Programme.

#### II. Objectives of the Consultancy:

The State Department for Foreign Affairs seeks to recruit two (2) Economist Consultant to work in the Special Task Force of the Threshold Grant Agreement and the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) Programme. The Consultants will provide technical expertise and support to the Task Force, specifically in the areas of economic analysis and policy formulation, with the aim of ensuring the effective negotiation and implementation of the MCC Programme.

#### III. Scope of Work:

- The Consultants will work under the guidance and supervision of the Special Task Force and will be responsible for performing the following duties:
  - a) provide technical expertise, guidance and support relevant to the team's work;
  - b) support the special task team make informed decisions through participation in meetings and discussions, providing input and insights;
  - c) contribute to the development of reports and presentations to assist the special task team consider different options and approaches;
  - d) provide briefings to facilitate discussions and help the team better understand legal frameworks and provision for negotiations;
  - e) develop structure for accountable entity that will oversee implementation of Threshold Grant Agreement with MCC; and
  - f) Any other additional TOR given by the Appointing Authority. Consulting various relevant experts of government departments, the Private sector and Non-Government Organizations.

#### IV. Reporting: The Consultant will report to the Chair of the Special Task Force.

V. **Duration of the Consultancy:** The duration of the consultancy will be for a period of twelve (12) months, with the possibility of extension subject to satisfactory performance and availability of funds.

VI. **Qualifications and Experience:**

Interested individual consultants shall have the following qualifications and experience

- a. Advanced degree (Masters or PhD) in Economics or related field;
- b. At least 7 years of relevant work experience in economic analysis and policy formulation, preferably in the public sector;
- c. Knowledge and experience in the implementation of development programmes, particularly in the areas of economic growth and poverty reduction;
- d. Proven experience in negotiating development projects in public sector at both bilateral and multilateral levels will be an added advantage;
- e. Excellent analytical and writing skills;
- f. Strong interpersonal and communication skills; and
- g. Ability to work effectively in a team.

The consultant should provide a pin and a valid tax compliance certificate.

Selection of the Consultant will be in accordance with procedures set out in the Public Procurement and Disposal Act, 2015 and the Public Procurement and Disposal Regulations, 2020.

Interested Consultants may obtain the Terms of Reference from the Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs website ([www.mfa.go.ke](http://www.mfa.go.ke)).

Duly completed expression of interest documents/ detailed curriculum vitae (CV) together with other testimonials in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked “**Provision of Consultancy Services to work in the special task force of the Threshold Grant Agreement and the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) Programme funded by the USA Government**” and bearing no indication of the identity of the Consultant should be addressed to **The Principal Secretary, Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs, State Department for Foreign Affairs, P. O. Box 30551 - 00100**, and be deposited into the tender box at the reception of State Department of Foreign Affairs, Old Treasury Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, on or before 11:00 am, on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2023.

Bids will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of Consultants or their representatives who choose to attend.

**Principal Secretary  
State Department of Foreign Affairs**