## **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR SELECTION # 1266080**

# This Request for Expression of Interest is for a Firm Selection. Please log in as a valid Firm User if you wish to express interest in this selection.

Selection Information	
Assignment Title	Scaling Mini-grid: Technical Support
Publication Date	17-Dec-2019
Expression of Interest Deadline	16-Jan-2020 at 11:59:59 PM (Eastern Time – Washington D.C.)
Language of Notice	English

Selection Notice	
Assignment Country	No Countries Assigned
Funding Sources	The World Bank Group intends to finance the assignment/services under: BB - BANK BUDGET TF0A5868 - GBIP for Climate Energy in SSA (CAS)
Individual/Firm	The consultant will be a firm.

### **Assignment Description**

SELECTION FOR CONSULTANTS BY THE WORLD BANK GROUP

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Electronic Submissions through World Bank Group eConsultant2 https://wbgeconsult2.worldbank.org/wbgec/index.html

ASSIGNMENT OVERVIEW

Assignment Title: 1266080 - Scaling Mini-grid: Technical Support

Assignment Countries: - (countries have not yet been selected)

#### ASSIGNMENT DESCRIPTION

The International Finance Corporation looks forward to developing a regional initiative to support an accelerated scale-up in minigrid investments. The initiative will be implemented in collaboration with the World Bank and capitalize on latest lessons learned from recent mini-grid PPP model developments and tools towards offering a replicable model (or suite of replicable models), allowing to streamline the development and financing of mini-grid PPP projects. The initiative is intended to be designed for the African markets, with view on possibly extending in other part of the world in a subsequent phase. It will consist in a semistandardized package of advisory, public investment, private investment and risk mitigations mechanisms and instruments to be implemented in select countries.

To support the design and development of the initiative, IFC is seeking a firm with expertise in the field of mini-grid engineering with view of helping the definition of the technology strategy and requirements to be implemented under this initiative. This will consist among other things in developing standardized technical standards, performance requirements and EPC contracts towards ensuring quality of equipment while favoring cost efficiencies notably through efficiencies of scale. The firm will be expected to demonstrate solid technical experience in mini-grid, having worked in this segment for at least 2-3 years with demonstrated track record in regard to first-hand understanding of on-the-ground realities.

The firm will be working with several firms or consortia contracted separately: a law firm in charge of preparing template contracts and other documents, a PPP and regulations focused firm in charge of designing the PPP model(s) to be pursued under the initiative and their associated processes and documents, as well as a data/IT firm developing a dedicated online mini-grid data and tender process management platform.

ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility restrictions apply: [Please type list of restrictions] INDIVIDUAL / FIRM PROFILE The consultant will be a firm.

#### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The World Bank Group now invites eligible firms to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc. for firms; CV and cover letter for individuals). Please note that the total size of all attachments should be less than 5MB. Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications.

Interested firms are hereby invited to submit expressions of interest.

Expressions of Interest should be submitted, in English, electronically through World Bank Group eConsultant2 (https://wbgeconsult2.worldbank.org/wbgec/index.html)

#### NOTES

Following this invitation for Expression of Interest, a shortlist of qualified firms will be formally invited to submit proposals. Shortlisting and selection will be subject to the availability of funding.

Only those firms which have been shortlisted will receive notification. No debrief will be provided to firms which have not been shortlisted.

#### **Qualification Criteria**

- 1. Provide information showing that they are qualified in the field of the assignment.
- 2. Provide information on the technical and managerial capabilities of the firm.
- 3. Provide information on their core business and years in business.
- 4. Provide information on the qualifications of key staff.
- \* Mandatory

Shortlisted consultants will be invited to respond to a Request for Proposal. Contract awards will be made in accordance with the World Bank Group Procurement Policies and Procedures.