

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR SELECTION # 1271984

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

<b>Assignment Title</b>	Africa Energy Access Flagship Report Off-Grid Solar
<b>Publication Date</b>	15-Dec-2020
<b>Expression of Interest Deadline</b>	14-Jan-2021 at 11:59:59 PM (Eastern Time – Washington D.C.)
<b>Language of Notice</b>	English

### Selection Notice

<b>Assignment Country</b>	No Countries Assigned
<b>Funding Sources</b>	The World Bank Group intends to finance the assignment/services under: BB - BANK BUDGET TF0B3701 - Global: Solar energy, private sector and electricity for all: How the off-grid solar industry can close the universal electricity access gap
<b>Individual/Firm</b>	The consultant will be a firm.

### Assignment Description

SELECTION FOR CONSULTANTS BY THE WORLD BANK GROUP

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

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

ASSIGNMENT OVERVIEW

Assignment Title: 1271984 - Africa Energy Access Flagship Report Off-Grid Solar

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

ASSIGNMENT DESCRIPTION

The assignment forms part of the Africa Energy Access Flagship which will present a strategic investment roadmap to support Sub-Saharan African (SSA) countries in the path to achieve universal energy access by 2030. This assignment will focus on the off-grid solar standalone sector. Building on existing literature, especially the Global Off Grid Solar Market Trends Report, and acknowledging the vast differences among energy poor countries, the objectives are to (i) assess the current potential of off-grid sector as the driving force in closing the electricity access gap; (ii) critically review current market-based approaches and possible alternatives or variations; (iii) identify opportunities that the off-grid sector could leverage (technologies, financing options, policy trends etc.) and (iv) develop a clear path ahead, including measures the WB, development partners, and Governments should pursue to increase the pace and inclusivity of off-grid electrification.

FUNDING SOURCE

The World Bank Group intends to finance the assignment / services described below under the following:  
- BANK BUDGET  
- Global: Solar energy, private sector and electricity for all: How the off-grid solar industry can close the universal electricity access gap

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 experience in the off-grid solar standalone sector.
2. Provide information on the technical and managerial capabilities of the firm, including the management of desk research, stakeholder interviews, and promoting innovative thinking.
3. Provide information on the core business and years in business, including any similar reports authored by the firm in the last 5 years.
4. Provide information on the qualification of key staff, including their experience and relevant network in the off-grid solar sector, ability to facilitate workshops, and to think both strategically and creatively.

\* - *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.*