



MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION
AND IRRIGATION



ATHI WATER WORKS
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY



AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

Country:	Kenya
PROJECT:	THE KENYA TOWNS SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION PROGRAM
ASSIGNMENT TITLE:	CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL COMPLIANCE COMPLETION AUDIT FOR THE KENYA TOWNS SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION PROGRAM - ATHI CLUSTER
REOI No. AWWDA/KTSWSSP/CS/24/2026	

- The Government of Kenya through the various water works agencies is implementing the Kenya Towns Sustainable Water Supply and Sanitation Program (KTSWSSP) funded by African Development Bank (AfDB) for the construction and rehabilitation of water supply and sanitation infrastructure (including expansion into informal settlements) for improved water and sanitation services; and ii) capacity development of water service providers, the sector regulator for improved service efficiency and women and youth for increased employment opportunities in 15 towns under the Athi Cluster.

- The consulting services ("**the Services**") involve undertaking Environmental and Social Safeguards (ESS) compliance completion audit to evaluate the project's level of compliance with applicable E&S requirements for the Kenya Towns Sustainable Water Supply and Sanitation Program – Athi Cluster.

The scope of services for the Consultant will include but not be limited to:

- Review and Planning:** Examine all relevant AfDB environmental and social requirements, national regulatory frameworks, permits, project documents, and previous reports; then prepare an Inception Report outlining the audit methodology, work plan, and audit criteria.
 - Field Verification and Stakeholder Engagement:** Conduct site inspections, field assessments, and consultations with key stakeholders to assess environmental and social risks, impacts, compliance, and mitigation measures.
 - Reporting and Validation:** Hold opening and closing meetings with AWWDA and AfDB project teams, present and validate findings, and prepare the required audit deliverables, including a summary synthesis report, a comprehensive Environmental and Social Audit/ESMP Completion Report, and a RAP Completion Audit Report.
- The consultancy services will be carried out over a period of 6 Months
 - Athi Water Works Development Agency 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:
 - The firm should demonstrate a general Experience of minimum 10 years in consulting services.
 - Specific Experience Relevant to Assignment having prepared at least 3 No environmental and social audit of water and sanitation projects including large infrastructure projects, and implementation of ESIA's, ESMPs, RAPs of projects financed by AfDB or other DFI for Donor-funded programmes for the last 5 years
 - Experience in Similar Conditions Working in Sub-Saharan Africa / developing countries and Experience with donor-funded projects (preferably AfDB)
 - Availability of appropriate skills amongst staff e.g. Environmentalist, Health and Safety Expert, Social Safeguards Expert, RAP Expert for the REOI Stage.

- This assignment is open to firms from all eligible countries as defined under the African Development Bank's Procurement Policy
- Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with Guidelines for recruitment of Consultancy firms under the "Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations" dated October 2015, which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>.
- Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications.
- A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.
- Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 0800 to 1700 hours from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400Hrs) and public holidays.
- Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by close of business on **22nd July 2026** at **12:00 noon EAT**.
- Clarifications may be requested no later than 14 days prior to the submission deadline in writing addressed to address below.
- Those submitted by package should be clearly marked "Request for Expression of Interest for **Consultancy Services for Environmental and Social Compliance Completion audit for the Kenya Towns Sustainable Water Supply and Sanitation Program -Athi Cluster**"

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