



**PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNIT**

**SOMALI ELECTRICITY ACCESS PROJECT "SEAP"**

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST  
(CONSULTING SERVICES – Selection Based on (QCBS))**

COUNTRY: Republic of Somaliland  
PROJECT NAME: Somali Electricity Access Project  
PROJECT ID: P165497 GRANT NO: TF-A9095  
ASSIGNMENT TITLE: Somaliland Off-Grid Solar Grant Facility Manager.  
REFERENCE NO.: SO-MOEM-115112-CS-QCBS  
PLACE OF ASSIGNMENT: Somaliland

**1. BACKGROUND OF THE PROJECT**

The Government of Somaliland (the Government) is currently implementing Somali Electricity Access Project (SEAP), with grant funding from World Bank. The project development objective of SEAP is to expand access to electricity in targeted urban, peri-urban, and rural communities. SEAP consists of the following three components:

Component 1: Electrification of households and small businesses through standalone solar home systems.

Component 2: Analytic work for enabling electrification through Solar Powered / Hybrid Mini-grids

Component 3: Technical Assistance, Capacity Building and Project Management

The Ministry of energy and minerals intends to apply part of the proceeds of this grant to competitively recruit a firm (the "Consultant") which is expert for grant facility manager to manage on behalf of the Ministry activities related to Somaliland Off-Grid Solar Facility.

The objective of the assignment is to manage, on behalf of GoSL, activities related to the Somaliland Off-Grid Solar Grant Facility (the "Grant Facility" or "Facility"). The Facility will offer results-based Expansion Grants and Seed Grants to OGS companies active in the OGS sector. These activities are aimed at increasing access to electricity in Somaliland

The overarching objectives of the Facility are: (i) to support household and SME access to IEC verified OGS systems across Somaliland; (ii) to support the growth of earlier-stage and/or local solar companies where possible; (iii) to enable distributors to sell products on a pay-as-you-go (PAYGO) basis where possible, thus increasing affordability; (iv) to promote off-grid energy access in remote and rural areas; and (v) to set a foundation for high-potential solar operators to access future funding to further scale operations in Somaliland.

The consulting firm will be engaged for a period of 36 months.

The Consultant (Grant Manager) will report to the project coordinator and undertake all the specific tasks detailed out in the Terms of Reference (TOR). The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: [www.moem-sl.com](http://www.moem-sl.com) it can be provided upon submission of application in person or by e-mail. The e-mail address is provided below.

The MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND MINERALS in the Government of Somaliland now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) in providing the above services. Interested consulting firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, and availability of appropriate skills etc.). The short-listing criteria are as follows:

1. Core business of the firm and years in business.
2. Specific experience of conducting similar assignments on Grant management in Public Sector, Private Sector and track record of managing and structuring similar grant facilities in similar markets, familiarity with World Bank policies and procedures.
3. Experience of relevant services in an environment similar to that of Somaliland; and
4. The technical and managerial organization of the firm. (Provide only the structure of the organization, general qualifications and number of key staff. Do not provide CV of staff). Key experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank’s Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers: Procurement in Investment Financing - Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services dated July 2016 and revised in November 2017 and August 2018, (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualification but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub consultancy. In 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 **Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS)** method set out in the World Bank’s Procurement Regulations.

Interested Consultant may obtain further information at the address below during office hours from **8:30am to 4:00pm Hargeisa time** (Excluding public holidays).

Further information can be obtained by sending email requests at the email address below. Expressions of interest must be delivered (in person, by mail, or by e-mail) or in a written form in three (3) hard copies to the address below by 9:30 am, Thursday/ 05 of September, 2019.

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