AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

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Infrastructure and Urban Development Department

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR A JUNIOR CONSULTANT

Title of the assignment: Junior consultant supporting Transport infrastructure and urban development operations in Country Office Mozambique (COMZ).

Brief description of the Assignment: Supporting the Country Transport Sector Specialist with project cycle activities including business development, project origination and portfolio management

Department issuing the request: Infrastructure and Urban Development Department

Place of assignment: Maputo, Mozambique, Rua Tenente General Osvaldo Tazama – Torres Rani 4 Andar,

Duration of the assignment: Eight (8) months

Tentative Date of commencement: April 2023

Deadline for applications: 31 March 2023

Applications to be submitted to: Expressions of interest should be submitted to Aaron MWILA via email: <u>a.mwila@afdb.org</u> and Patricia BAPTISTA, <u>p.baptista@afdb.org</u>

Any questions and requests for clarifications may be sent to: Aaron MWILA via email: <u>a.mwila@afdb.org</u> and Patricia BAPTISTA, <u>p.baptista@afdb.org</u>

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SHORTLIST

The evaluation of the candidates will be conducted based on the criteria outlined in the table below. To aid the evaluation, the candidates are requested to submit the following: (i) Detailed curriculum vitae (based on the sample provided); and (ii) Letter of expression of interest

Evaluation criteria	Weighting
 Number of relevant experience to the mission (experience in the specific assignment describes in the TORs) 	20%
Level of education in general	20%
Experience with donors/ multilateral organizations	20%
Experience on Portfolio management activities	20%
 Knowledge on transport and infrastructure development activities 	20%

1. Introduction:

The African Development Bank hereby invites eligible Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in the following Assignment: **Junior Consultant Supporting the Infrastructure and Urban Development Department**. The Mozambique Country Office ("COMZ" or the "Office") will require the services of a Junior Consultant Supporting **Infrastructure and Urban Development** ("the Consultant") to assist in the delivery of the Department's activities in Mozambique. The African Development Bank Country Office in Maputo (COMZ), inaugurated in February 2006, was established to strengthen dialogue between the Bank and the concerned governments, development partners, the private sector, and the civil society, in the design of its development policy and programs, as well as on implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the poverty reduction strategy. The Office also seeks to assist the operational functions of the Bank Group in portfolio management in Mozambique.

The major functions of the Office fall under the following key areas: country programming, improved portfolio management, policy dialogue, facilitation of procurement and disbursement, capacity building, promotion of regional integration, technical and advisory assistance to the government, and enhanced coordination and harmonization with development partners. COMZ's deliverables include, among other things: economic analyses, economic and sector work, analyses of sectorial development issues, data collection and analysis of impact and development effectiveness, tracking of reports on technical support to operations management teams, support the donor coordination, communications on COMZ activities to the local press and HQ, etc. The Consultant will focus on supporting the programmes and project, providing additional support to the Transport Specialist in delivering the lending programme, supervision and implementation support to projects, coordination with donors and other partners, participation in working groups, and produce other relevant documents as needed.

2. The Transport Sector in Mozambique

COMZ is very active in the Transport Sector with a total approved loans reaching over UA 300 million for the development of the national key axes with particular impact on agricultural development as well as improved regional trade flow. The Bank interventions are not only limited to Mozambique but also impact on neighboring countries namely Zimbabwe, Malawi, Zambia, and Tanzania for a better regional integration.

The Bank coordinates its activities with other partners through development partners working groups, which are currently the main aid coordination and harmonization forums in Mozambique. The Bank plays a major role in the sector, considering its transport portfolio and past experience as working group leader and ensures that its operations achieves complementarities with those of other donors, mainly through engagement in sector-wide planning and prioritization (PRISE).

3. The services to be provided under the assignment include:

Under the authority of the Country Manager in consultation with the Country Program Officer and direct supervision of the Transport Task Manager, he/she will use analytical skills and knowledge to support the operational work of the Country Office in Mozambique (COMZ) with particular focus on Transport infrastructure development and regional integration. The Consultant will make contributions to the loan and off-loan operations and to analytical activities. Will provide support to research, information collection and also to a regular reporting on the impact of operations in terms of development, relying in particular on indicators from the logical framework matrices of operations, the progress compared to the five priorities of the Bank ("High Fives") operational strategies. Therefore, the objectives and key activities are related to Transport and other Infrastructure Sector, Analysis and Programming, Project Implementation and Supervision, and Aid-Coordination, as follows :

- Supporting Transport TMs in business development, delivery of the lending programme, program implementation, preparation of project documents through preparation and presentation of quantitative analysis and background documents;
- Supporting M&E of the transport portfolio by gathering data for mid-term reviews, project completion and implementation progress reports;
- Support organization of missions and programme related events, such as launching, effectiveness, implementation, closure of projects;
- Provide assistance to the transport TM in the implementation and evaluation of assigned programmes / projects, etc.; assist in the monitoring and evaluation of projects;
- Provide support to TMs and management through preparation and editing of presentations, quarterly reports, Aid Memoires, IPRs, PCRs, project designs and other relevant documents;
- Propose and contribute reports to studies and assessments of ongoing operations and carry out research and data collection for production of knowledge products and analysis for the relevant sector;
- Support transport TM participation in aid coordination activities with bilateral and multilateral donors, in the relevant sectoral donor working groups (in particular Transport, Water & Sanitation)
- Review relevant documents and reports; identify problems and issues to be addressed and proposes corrective actions; liaise with relevant parties; identify and track followup actions;
- Provide assistance to TM and management in the scheduling of meetings and the organization of conferences and workshops, handling both the logistics and conceptual aspects.
- Support the Transport Officer in outreach activities; drafting presentations on assigned topics/activities;
- Prepare briefs, meeting briefs and other reporting documents to inform managerial decision.

He/ She will generally report to the Country Manager and will be under the technical guidance of the designated TM, who will adequately brief, guide on a daily basis and undertake a performance evaluation.

4. Specific Tasks & Deliverables

In the framework of the COMZ 2023 Annual Work Plan, in the above context under supervision of the TM the consultant will be expected to deliver on the following key tasks:

- Provide support to project management to transport portfolio projects and to the Executing Agency in all necessary ways;
- Identify project risks or issues and manage or escalate where appropriate, provide any project forecast information;
- Develop and implement risk mitigation strategies affecting transport sector projects, procurement slippages, slow disbursement;
- Develop or improve ongoing portfolio monitoring tool focusing on soft component of transport portfolio projects (capacity development programs), regularly engage with key project stakeholders to build capacity across all projects;
- Plan and track project timelines and milestones, (disbursement deadlines, contract deadlines, special accounts etc.).

5. DURATION OF THE ASSIGNMENT

The assignment will be for **eight (8) months** with possibility of renewal, subject to satisfactory performance. For the entire duration of the assignment, the junior consultant shall be physically present at the Bank's offices in Maputo, Mozambique.

6. QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

- The consultant must hold a minimum of a Master's Degree in Civil Engineering, Transport, Infrastructure Project Design/ Management or other relevant fields and related disciplines;
- A national of the Bank's Regional Member Country (RMC).
- Less than 32 years of age.
- A minimum of two (2) years of relevant experience are necessary for this position and maximum of four (4) years working experience, with prior experience both in Africa, and preferably in Mozambique;
- In addition, substantial value will be given to professional experience related to professionals that have prior International Financial Institutions (IFIs) and Multilateral or Bilateral Agencies;
- Demonstrated strong analytical and organizational skills, with the ability to deliver results on time;
- Ability to communicate and write effectively preferably in both working languages of the Bank Group, French and English, and capacity to handle discussions with diplomacy and tact. Knowledge of Portuguese is an asset;
- Competence in the use of standard Microsoft Office applications.
- Ability to work within a multi-disciplinary team of staff from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds;
- Solid analytical qualifications, coordination capacities, organizational skills.
- Excellent technical and analytical skills;

Please attach an updated Curriculum Vitae on the basis of the template below:

7. **REMUNERATION**

The Consultants will be paid a competitive monthly lump sum for the entire period in accordance with Bank's remuneration guidelines for Junior Consultants and commensurate to the years of relevant experience.

MODEL CURRICULUM VITAE (CV)

Title of the Assignment: Department: Surname: Birth Date: Address: Telephone:

First Name: Nationality: Country: E-mail:

Are any of your family members (spouse/partner, father/mother Brother/sister, Son/daughter, etc. employed in the African Development Bank?			Yes No I If "YES" the following data must be provided
NAME	RELATIONSHIP	ORGANIZATION UNIT	PLACE OF ASSIGNMENT

LANGUAGE LEVEL	READ	WRITTEN	SPOKEN
English	🗆 Fair	🗆 Fair	🗌 Fair
	□ Good	□ Good	□ Good
	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
French	🗆 Fair	🗆 Fair	🗌 Fair
	□ Good	□ Good	□ Good
	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Others (Specify)	🗆 Fair	🗆 Fair	🗌 Fair
	□ Good	□ Good	□ Good
	Excellent	Excellent	

KEY QUALIFICATIONS:

Please provide: (i) a summary of your experience and training highlighting the most relevant for the proposed assignment, and (ii) the responsibilities which you exercised.

(Utilize one half-page maximum).

EDUCATION (UNIVERSITY LEVEL AND ABOVE ONLY):

NAME OF UNIVERSITY -	PERIOD		DIPLOMA	MAJOR
CITY - COUNTRY	From	То	OBTAINED	TOPIC/MAJOR

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING:

NAME OF		PERIOD			
TRAINING INSTITUTION - CITY - COUNTRY	TYPE OF TRAINING	From	То	DIPLOMA OBTAINED	CERTIFICATES OR DIPLOMA OBTAINED

EMPLOYMENT RECORD:

Begin with your most recent employment. For each job since your Master Degree achievement, please indicate:

- Name of the Employer
- Type of Activity/Business of the Employer
- Title / Function
- Place of Employment
- Brief Description (three lines maximum) of main accomplishments and responsibilities

REFERENCE:

Please indicate the name and address of three persons with no family relationship with yourself, familiar with your character and titles.

I hereby certify that the responses, which I provided above, are all, to the best of my knowledge, true, complete and accurate. I acknowledge that an inaccurate statement or essential omission in a personal declaration or another document required by the African Development Bank might result in the rejection of my application, termination of my Contract or any other administrative sanction by the Bank. The African Development Bank may verify any statements, which I made in this application.

Date: _____

Signature: