AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK GROUP
INDEPENDENT DEVELOPMENT EVALUATION

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

EVALUATION OF THE POLICY ON NON-CONCESSIONAL DEBT ACCUMULATION (2008-2020)

1. The African Development Bank Group (AfDB or the Bank) hereby invites Consulting Firms to indicate their interest in the following assignment: Consultancy Services for the Evaluation of the African Development Bank Group (AfDB) Policy on Non-Concessional Debt Accumulation (NCDAP) henceforth “the assignment” being carried out by its Independent Development Evaluation function (IDEV).

2. The valuation will report on the development effectiveness of the NCDAP and provide recommendations to support the revision of the policy and its future implementation.

3. The evaluation will review the 2008 policy, the 2011 amendments, and 2011 operational guidelines. It covers the implementation of the NCDAP from 2008 to June 2020 including all measures implemented as part of this policy, including its supporting measures and the coordination with other agencies. The review will also consider in its analysis the effects of COVID-19 on ADF countries and its implication for this on the policy.

4. The services to be provided under the Assignment will include the following:

   a. Conduct a desk review of all relevant documents (including assessment of the policy, operational guidelines, and other internal and external appropriate documentation);

   b. Conduct interviews with key internal and external informants as part of qualitative data collection processes for the assignment;

   c. Conduct case studies of the application of the policy on selected countries;

   d. Analyze macroeconomic statistics of ADF countries from 2008 to 2020, the portfolio of ADF countries during 2008–2020, and the Bank’s implemented programs in the ADF countries during the period;

   e. Benchmark the policy with other Multilateral Development organizations, including WB, IMF, IFAD, and ADB, IADB;
f. Produce the deliverables of this evaluation based on the various evidence collected by the evaluation team; and

g. Undertake other duties identified as supporting the smooth conduct of the NCDAP evaluation.

5. IDEV invites Consulting Firms to indicate their interest in providing the above-described services. Interested eligible Consulting Firms or associations of Consulting Firms shall provide information on their qualifications and experience demonstrating their ability to provide the services (documentation, references for similar services, experience in comparable Assignments, availability of qualified staff, etc.).

6. The eligibility criteria, the establishment of a short list and the selection procedure shall be in conformity with the Bank’s Procurement Policy Framework for projects financed by the Bank Group, October 2015 Edition, available on the Bank Website at http://www.afdb.org. Please, note that interest expressed by a Consulting Firm does not imply any obligation on the part of the Bank to include it in the shortlist.

7. The estimated duration of services is six (6) months and the estimated starting date is mid-October 2020.

8. Interested consultants may obtain further details in the TOR at the address below during the Bank’s working hours (09:00 to 18:00 hours).

9. Expressions of interest must be received at the address or to the email contacts below no later than 04 October 2020 at 17:00 PM UTC and specifically mentioning the name of the assignment in the title. Expressions of interest should be written in English. Proficiency in French and Portuguese language are an advantage.

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