



## Support to Economic Diversification Project – TA

### REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Consultancy Services- **Review and update of the Private Sector Development Strategy and Design and Implementation of the SME improvement Programme**

Financing Agreement reference: 5700155003151

**Project ID No.: P-BW-B20-001**

The Government of Botswana has received financing from the African Development Bank toward the cost of the Support to Economic Diversification project, and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this grant to payments under the contract for Consultancy Services.

The services included under this project are as follows:

- **Component 1: Review and Update of Private Sector Development Strategy and Program.** This component aims at updating and reviewing the Private Sector Development Strategy and Programme (PSDSP) - to take into account the changes that have occurred since its formulation in 2008. Since then, a number of new issues have emerged that necessitates the strategy review and updating. These include, among others, new initiatives at national level (Vision 2036; National Development Plan 11 and its Mid Term Review of 2020 and AGOA Implementation Strategy), at the regional level (SADC Industrialization Policy and its Action Plan & Tripartite Free Trade Area and the African Continental Free Trade Area) and the international level (Economic Partnership Agreements and the advent of Covid 19).
- **Component 2: SME Improvement Programme.** This component is aimed at building an ecosystem that would, on sustainable basis support SMEs initially in Horticulture, Tourism, and Small Stock sectors. The component is divided into two sub-components namely - Institutional Support and Development; and Capacity Development Programme for SMEs.

The engagement is envisioned to be implemented over a period of six (6) months.

Business Botswana now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants 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.). Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's **Procurement Policy, 2015** which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours **(08:00-17:00) Monday to Friday.**

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 17:00 hours (local time)** and mention **"Consultancy Services."** Due to the current Covid 19 pandemic, we encourage interested consultants to submit electronically.

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