

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES - FIRMS)**

CONSULTANCY SERVICE FOR COST OF SERVICE AND AFFORDABILITY OF TARIFF STUDIES

UGANDA RURAL ELECTRICITY ACCESS PROJECT

REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

Sector: Energy
Project ID No.: P-UG-FA0-006
Procurement Reference No.: ERA/CONS/15-16/00105

The Government of Uganda has received financing from the African Development Bank (AfDB) and the EU-Africa Infrastructure Trust Fund (EU-AITF) towards the cost of the Uganda Rural Electricity Access Project (UREAP) and intends to apply part of the agreed amount of this financing to payments under the contract for Consultancy Services for “Cost of Service and Affordability of Tariff Studies.”

The overall objective of the assignment is to: (i) prepare an economic regulation framework (ERF), (ii) develop and recommend an appropriate tariff setting/pricing methodology, (iii) develop and recommend an appropriate Tariff structure and tariff model tools, (iv) develop guidelines for determining capital expenditure allowance (Investments), operations and maintenance costs expenditure, treatment of Grants and Capital Contributions and valuation of assets added to the Regulatory Asset Base, (v) develop a standardised/prototype new customer connection policy to be operationalized by distribution and supply companies, (vi) design appropriate tools for compliance monitoring of the financial and commercial performance of distribution and supply licensees; (vii) determine the affordability of tariff at national level and service territories; and (viii) build the capacity of selected ERA staff to operationalize the developed tariff model and compliance monitoring tools.

The expected duration of the assignment is twelve (12) months.

The ERA of Uganda 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 **“Rules and Procedures for the use of Consultants”** May 2008 Edition, Revised July 2012, 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 09:00 to 17:00 hours (local time), except for public holidays.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by **6th May 2016 at 11:00 hours (local time)** and mention **“Expression of Interest (EOI) – Cost of Service and Affordability of Tariff Studies under the Uganda Rural Electricity Access Project”**:-

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