

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK GROUP



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES)

TRIPARTITE CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME (TCBP)

Individual Consultant - Industrial Development Expert

The **Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)** has received financing from the **African Development Bank** toward the cost of the Tripartite Capacity Building Programme (TCBP), and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this grant to payments under the contract for Consultancy for the services of an **Industrial Development Expert** based at SADC Secretariat in Gaborone, Botswana.

The Industrial development pillar aims at developing and improving the productive capacity in the Tripartite by harnessing the existing resource base and addressing the supply side constraints in regional value chains. An Industrial Development Consultant is therefore required to support the Tripartite-RECs in the Tripartite negotiations.

The Specific objectives of the consultant are:

The scope of work is to be implemented within a six month period. The consultant shall provide technical assistance to the T-RECs and Member/Partner States in the implementation of the Tripartite Work Programme of the Industrial Development Pillar. Specifically, the Industrial Development Expert will:

- (a) Coordinate undertaking and review of various studies including baseline survey to assess industrial statistics and information management capacities in the Tripartite; value chains studies on Tripartite priority value chains and a survey on R&D, technology and innovation systems;
- (b) Assist the T-RECs to prepare programmes and action plans for strengthening national industrial statistics capacities in Tripartite Member States ;
- (c) Facilitate assessment of required software and procedures for industrial databases at National and Regional Levels. This will include recommendation on the software options, methodology and specification for the procurement of the software;
- (d) Assist T-RECs to prepare a programmes for implementation of the Tripartite Action Plans in agro-processing, Mineral and extractive industries, and pharmaceutical;
- (e) Assist the T-RECs to develop Tripartite work programme to strength R&D, Technology and Innovation system to support value addition;

- (f) Coordinate training on best practices in industrial policy design and management, and on modern methodologies to collect industrial data and statistics;
- (g) In collaboration with the T-REC Secretariat, prepare background papers, policy briefs/concept notes, and reports for Tripartite workshops / meetings on the implementation of the Tripartite Work Programme; and
- (h) Provide periodic monitoring, evaluation and implementation reports of the Tripartite Work Programmes on industrial development pillar

The candidate should have:

- An advanced university degree in Economics or Development Economics, with an emphasis on industrialization and trade;
- At least 10 years experience in industrial and trade development work, including in an industrial policy and regional integration environment;
- Knowledge of the Tripartite regional cooperation and integration agendas and continental industrial development frameworks ;
- Demonstrated technical knowledge and analytical skills; and extensive research on industrial development issues;
- Good communication, presentational and reporting skills; and
- Strong management skills, including the ability to provide strategic guidance, technical oversight, and to work in multi-cultural environment.

The Bank, in collaboration with the **Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA)** now invites eligible Individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services for duration of **six (6) months** with a possibility of extension subject to performance and need. Interested consultants must provide information through their Curriculum Vitae indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, etc.).

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, 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 from Monday to Friday, 08:00 hours to 17:00 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by **12th September 2014 at 15:00hrs** and mention **"Expression of Interest for Consultancy Services for an Industrial Development Expert"**.

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