

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK GROUP



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES)

TRIPARTITE CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMME (TCBP)

Individual Consultant – Rules of Origin

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 **Rules of Origin** based at EAC Secretariat, Arusha-Tanzania.

The consultant shall present a draft of Manual on application of COMESA, EAC and SADC Tripartite FTA ROO and a draft of Tripartite-REC Capacity Building Programme on COMESA, EAC and SADC Tripartite FTA ROO.

The Specific objectives of the consultant are:

- (a) Support T RECs during the negotiations of Tripartite FTA Rules of Origin through technical guidance and preparation of offers and counter offers based on well researched positions;
- (b) Assist in the development of Manual on application of COMESA, EAC and SADC Tripartite FTA ROO;
- (c) Assist in the development of a Capacity Building Programme on COMESA, EAC and SADC Tripartite FTA ROO;
- (d) Training of stakeholders on COMESA, EAC and SADC Tripartite ROO.

The candidate should have:

- Education: The candidate must have a Post graduate qualification in the areas of Trade or Business Management.
- Experience: The successful candidate shall have at least 10 years Trade Policy work especially in Customs operations with special focus on Rules of Origin.

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 Rules of Origin"**.

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