



CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Reference No FM/TEND/AMI//2023/005/bk

RECRUITMENT OF A FIRM FOR THE MID-TERM REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ECOWAS REGIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL PLAN (ERPP) 2014-2020

1. INTRODUCTION

The ECOWAS Regional Pharmaceutical Plan (ERPP) 2014-2020 has been drafted to provide the region with a clear vision and mission for self-sufficiency and for equitable collaboration with global players in the production, distribution and safe use of quality, effective, safe and affordable essential medicines in the region.

Clear goals and objectives have been set and activities identified to achieve them by 2022. In doing so, the Plan has taken due consideration of WAHO's efforts, certain inherent risks and likely circumstances that may affect its implementation. The Plan also has a global perspective that takes into consideration all stakeholders in the pharmaceutical sector. The Plan was accompanied by a clear plan for the implementation of activities, with a timetable and expected outcomes.

This Plan provides a framework that reflects the full range of challenges as well as strategies to address them in a systematic and cost-effective manner.

After five years of its implementation, it is imperative to evaluate its performance, identify the challenges that exist and act on the lessons learned. During the same period of implementation of the Plan, new thinking and developments have taken place in the pharmaceutical sector within the regions, on the African continent and in the world at large. It has therefore become imperative to draft a second edition of the document.

It is for this reason that the West African Health Organisation (WAHO), the specialised ECOWAS institution in charge of health issues, wishes to recruit a firm to conduct a mid-term review of the implementation of the ECOWAS Regional Pharmaceutical Plan (ERPP) 2014-2020.

2. MISSION OBJECTIVE

The main purpose of the mission is to assess the situation regarding the level of implementation of the ERPP, in order to set new objectives leading to the drafting of a second edition of the ECOWAS Regional Pharmaceutical Plan (ERPP) that considers the lessons learnt, the challenges encountered as well as the emerging pharmaceutical issues.

Specifically, the Cabinet is responsible for the following/

- i. Conduct a baseline analysis through a preliminary international literature review and propose tools and methodology for data collection as part of this mission.
- ii. To determine the status of implementation of strategies and actions in each thematic area of the ERPP.
- iii. Identify and analyse lessons learned and challenges encountered during implementation.
- iv. Review the work of the implementation committees in each of the thematic areas.
- v. Identify new, emerging and contemporary issues in the pharmaceutical sector in West Africa.
- vi. Identify new, emerging and contemporary issues in the pharmaceutical sector in other Regional Economic Communities (RECs) in Africa, with global partners and the ECOWAS Commission.



- vii. Use the lessons learned, challenges and new and emerging issues to review the ERPP and draft the second edition.

3. CONSULTING PERIOD

The duration of the assignment shall be 60 calendar days from the signing of the contract by all parties.

4. PROFILE OF THE CONSULTING FIRM

The consultant must be a firm with proven experience in project/programme/strategic plan evaluation with at least two similar assignments having been performed in the field of pharmaceutical sciences as well as having experience with the ECOWAS Regional Pharmaceutical Plan. Consultants with the required experience and qualifications to carry out the assignment will be selected based on qualification as defined by the ECOWAS Procurement Code.

5. CONTENT OF THE EOI

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The EOI file shall also include:

- A duly signed letter of expression of interest.
- A copy of the certificate of incorporation.
- Presentation of the permanent staff with details of the current position held in the company.
- If the consulting firm is incorporated as a consortium: a copy of the consortium agreement concluded by all its members or a letter of intent to form a consortium should their proposal be selected, signed by all its members, and accompanied by a draft indicative content for the proposed consortium agreement.

6. SELECTION METHOD

The required Firm will be selected in accordance with the Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) method as defined in the ECOWAS Procurement Code for the recruitment of consultants.

7. CRITERIA FOR TENDER EVALUATIONS

- Experience in the evaluation of projects, programmes or plans: **20 marks.**



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- Experience in the evaluation of pharmaceutical projects, programmes, or plans. **40 marks.**
- Experience in the evaluation of regional pharmaceutical strategic plans. **30 marks.**
- Permanent staff in the normal operation of the firm: **10 marks.**

In the event of a tie, the consultant with more experience in the evaluation of pharmaceutical projects, programmes or plans will be given preference.

8. OTHER INFORMATION AND APPLICATION DEADLINES

Interested consultants may also obtain additional information during working days and hours from Monday to Friday 08h00 to 16h00 GMT at the following address: procurement@diffusion.wahooas.org

They may also download the TORs or call for EOI from WAHO's website: <https://data.wahooas.org/tenders/tenders/list>

Interested and suitably qualified Consultants are invited to express their interest by submitting their application electronically to <https://data.wahooas.org/tenders/tenders/list>. The deadline for receiving applications is **24th April, 2023 at 12h00 GMT.**

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