

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE N°3

The Government of **Benin** has received grant funding of Three Hundred and Seventy-Five Million United States Dollars (USD 375,000,000) from the Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC") of the United States Government to enable the Government of Benin to implement this program and achieve the objectives of the MCC Grant (Compact II), and it intends to apply parts of the proceeds of the funds to payments for Contracts for Goods, Works and Services. The Government of Benin contribution to this program is Twenty-eight, One Hundred and Twenty-five United States Dollars (USD 28 125 000).

This procurement program will end on March 31, 2017 and will cover the following:

Estimate Value – 6,550,284 US Dollars

Procurement of Goods in the General MCA-Benin II Administration to include:

- Procurement of motorcycle for administrative liaison;
- Procurement of safety equipment;
- Procurement of small equipment or services of less than USD 5 000 in support of projects and administration;
- Purchase of small equipment or services of less than USD 2 000 in support of projects and administration;
- Supply and installation of office furniture;
- Supply and installation of projection equipment and household appliances.

Procurement of Services (to include Consultant Services)

Contract firms for consultancy services in the General MCA-Benin II Administration, the Policy Reform and Institutional Strengthening Project (PRISP), Electricity Generation Project (EGP), Environmental and Social and Performance (ESP) and Gender and Social Inclusion (GSI) sectors to include:

- Life insurance for MCA-Benin II staff;
- MCA-Benin External Counsel;
- Financial Audit MCA Benin II;
- Study on the Improvement of the Framework for the Participation of Independent Power Producers (IPP framework);
- Study on the Structuring of a Management Contract with the SBEE;
- Feasibility Study for the Construction of a Thermal Power Plant in Benin;
- Program Environmental Social Management Consultant (PESMC);
- Gender Audit of SBEE, DGE, ANADER and ARE;
- Survey of SBEE Employees for SBEE Management.

Contract individual for consultancy services in the General MCA-Benin II Administration, the Electricity Generation Project (EGP), the Gender and Social Inclusion (GSI) and the Monitoring and Evaluation components:

- Development of a practical guide for tax procedures Consultant Tax Guidance;
- FIDIC Counsel;
- Recruitment of individual consultants to support the projects as members of the Technical Evaluation Panels of the following market offers: Program Environmental and Social Management Consultant (PESMC), Study on improving the intervention framework of independent producers (IPP Framework), Feasibility study for the construction of a thermal

power plant in Benin and the National Electric Dispatching Center;

• Refinement and Updating of the Economic Analysis of MCA II Program and Analysis of Beneficiaries.

Contract for non-consultancy services in the General MCA-Benin II Administration, Electricity Generation Project (EGP) and Communication to include:

- Professional multi-risk insurance;
- Awareness tours through all regions of Benin;
- Completion of topographic survey and securing four sites selected for solar power plants;
- Selection of a firm to provide coordination and logistical support to social intermediation activities at the identified localities for the construction of solar power stations (Bohicon, Parakou, Djougou and Natitingou).

Contracts for Goods, Works and Services financed under the Program will be implemented according to the principles, rules and procedures set out in the MCC Program Procurement Guidelines which can be found at the MCC website at <u>http://www.mcc.gov/pages/business/compactprocurements</u> and <u>www.mcabenin2.bj</u>.

The procurement is open to all bidders/consultants from eligible source countries as defined in the MCC PPG.

Specific procurement notices for contracts to be tendered under the competitive bidding procedures and for consultant contracts will be announced, as they become available, on the MCA website at http://www.mcabenin2.bj, United Nations Development Business (UNDB) Online website at http://www.devbusiness.com/, Development Gateway Market (dgMarket) website at http://www.dgmarket.com/, in local newspapers, and other media outlets as appropriate.

Interested eligible suppliers, contractors and consultants who wish to be included on the mailing list to receive a copy of advertisements, or those requiring additional information, should contact:

The Millennium Challenge Account – Benin II	
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For the attention of:	Mr. Didier Slachmuylders
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