

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS SELECTION)**

**Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)
Regional Pastoral Livelihoods Resilience Project
Grant No.:H919**

Assignment Title:
**Consultancy to Review and Gap Analysis of Cross-border Trade Policies,
Bilateral Agreements and Implementation challenges of IGAD Minimum
Integration Plan**

Reference No.: IGAD/RPLRP/S/16/3

The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Regional Pastoral Livelihoods Resilience Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

Objective of the Assignment

The overall objective of the assignment is to review cross-border trade policies and bilateral trade agreements among IGAD member states (focusing on Uganda, Ethiopia and Kenya) in order to support implementation of IGAD minimum integration plan. The assignment identifies issues furthering harmonization of national policies and regulatory regimes, as well as issues that support trade facilitation and integration among the IGAD member states, focusing on livestock and livestock products.

The **IGAD** now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested individual consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (i.e. updated CVs, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, and availability of appropriate skills etc.).

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants \[under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants\] by World Bank Borrowers](#) dated January 2011 ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant selection method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Profile of the Consultant
Education

Advanced University Degree, preferably PhD, in economics or development economics with an emphasis on international trade and trade facilitation issues, macroeconomics or closely related areas

Work experience

Minimum of seven years of progressively responsible experience required in applying the principles of economic and social development in the context of Africa. Practical experience in regional integration and economic cooperation, and at least one of the above mentioned areas that was gained through involvement in macroeconomic policy analysis, international trade policy formulation and negotiations, infrastructure development policies as well as implementation of programs, research, teaching or related work. Record of relevant publications would be an asset. Adequate knowledge and exposure to IGAD and regional economic cooperation initiatives will be required.

Selection Criteria

The selection criteria education and work experiences (as described above), good track record in delivering assignment, experience of working in IGAD region and familiarity with Pasoralism and cross-border issue.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *0800 to 1600 hours*].

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by *May 2nd 2016*.

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