

## EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR EXTERNAL REVIEW OF EAC PARTNERSHIP FUND

Introduction

The East African Community (EAC) is a regional organization mandated by the governments of Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Uganda to spearhead the East African economic, social and political integration agenda.

The broad goal of EAC is to spearned the East African economic, social and political integration agenda, so as to create wealth in the region and enhance competitiveness through increased production, trade and investment.

The Partnership Fund is a pool of funds that was established to enhance donor coordination and support to the EAC. It is a Fund through which the Development Partners channel both technical and financial resources to support implementation of various activities in the EAC. The EAC Partnership Fund was established in September 2006, as one of the instruments to mobilise resources, in line with Article 133 of the EAC Treaty.

The overall objective of the Fund is to enhance regional integration and accio-economic development of the EAC and facilitate harmonisation and alignment of Development Partners support to the EAC. The contributions from Development Partners to the Fund have increased from USD 645,000 in 2007/08 to more than USD 8 Million in 2013/14.

In the financial year 2009/10, after three years of operation, EAC in consultation with the Development Partners commissioned an external review which made a number of recommendations to improve the operations and the management of the Fund. EAC and the Development Partners have now agreed to undertake a second review of the Fund after four years since the first review of the operations of the Fund. The review will assess the contribution of the Fund to EAC integration and the effectiveness of its operations.

Objectives of the Review

The objectives of the review are to undertake an assessment of

 (a) The performance of the Fund against set targets, outputs and budget, and bring out the key achievements and challenges encountered;

(b) The impact of the Fund in relation to specific areas of support;

(c) The governance, financial management practices and audit procedures; and (d) The extent which the recommendations of the first external review have been

implemented.

The EAC now invites consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants must provide the following information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services:

(i) Consultants Profile Legal status of the lead consultant? and associates, registration details, business details, Tax Identification references,
 Tax Compliance certificate, the consultants detailed Curriculum Vitae, whether they have been involved in any Commercial Conviction.
 (ii) Skills and experience of at least 10 years for Key experts in Project Management, Planning and Monitoring; Financial Management /

Auditing and Donor funding activities

(iii) References of similar consultances previously undertaken successfully.

Interested and eligible bloders may obtain further information from the East African Community at the address given below from 8.00 am to 4.00 pm during working days. No liability will be accepted for loss or late delivery and late submissions will be rejected.

Expressions of Interest must be delivered to the Tender Box and addressed as below on or before Friday, 17" October, 2014 at 11:00am; and clearly indicated "EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR EXTERNAL REVIEW OF EAC PARTNERSHIP FUND"

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Email submissions addressed as above with subject EOI are acceptable and may be sent to eacprocurement@eachq.org.

For more information or clarification, please contact us on the address above or through e-mail: eacprocurement@eachq.org and <a href="mailto:eacprocurement@eachq.org">eachq.org</a> and

Any changes or modifications will be communicated on the EAC Website: www.eac.int.