REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ECONOMIC CASE FOR PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE MESURADO FISHING PIER

1. Background

The National Fisheries & Aquaculture Authority (NaFAA) was established by an Act of National Legislature in 2017. The mandate of NaFAA under the Act is to management all fisheries resources which are the natural habitat of the Republic of Liberia and the natural assets, heritage and sovereign rights of the Liberian people. NaFAA has jurisdictional and consequential custody of these resources for the benefit of present and future generation.

NaFAA also has responsibilities to ensure that the Fisheries and Aquaculture resources be used sustainably to achieve socio-economic benefits including economic growth, human resources development employment creation and ecological balance and that the standard of optimum utilization of resources shall be applied and adapted to value creation, to promote employment and develop the fisheries and aquaculture sectors of the Republic of Liberia.

In line with these requirements, the National Fisheries and Aquaculture Authority (NaFAA) seeks consultancy for a reputable firm or individual to develop an economic case for public private partnership in the operations of the Mesurado Fishing Pier recently built by the World Bank.

The Consultant will be selected in line with the procedures for selection of consultants as provided for in the Public Procurement and Concessions Act of the Republic of Liberia. The selection process, as described, will include a review and verification of qualifications and past performance, including a reference check, prior to the contract award.

2. Goal:

To provide consultancy for the development of an economic case for public private partnership attraction in the operations of the Mesurado Fishing Pier of the National Fisheries and Aquaculture Authority (NaFAA) in ensuring that Fisheries and aquaculture resources shall be used sustainably to achieve socio-economic benefits including economic growth, human resources development; employment creation, value added and ecological balance.

2.1 Specific Objective

Specifically, under the leadership and support of a Director General and the WARFP Coordinator the consultant will develop an economic case for Public Private Partnership in the operations of the Mesurado Fishing Pier for NaFAA focusing on below key areas:
I. Fisheries Imports Landing;
II. Fisheries Export shipment;
III. Fisheries On-Shoring Value Addition
IV. And other economic activities as provided for by the NaFAA’ Act

2.2 Duties of the Consultant:

Based on the species of commercial importance of the Mesurado Pier, their current, if any, and potential landed volumes, conduct feasibility studies for the Mesurado Fish Pier which would provide not only the estimated rate of return but also the value added to the national economy to include but not limited to the following:

a. Detailing the number of economic activities to be provided at the Mesurado Fishing Pier for each component of the Fishing Pier required for profitability and sustainability;
b. Providing a projection of expected revenue general per month, quarterly or yearly demonstrating operations financial viability and sustainability
c. The possible fees and tolls for basic facilities and services to be provided;
d. The total revenue expected and expenses to be made for 1-year operations;
e. Preparation of an operational plan for 1 year to include the quantum of start-up capital if necessary;
f. A recommendation of financial modeling scheme NaFAA would apply in case of a Public Private Partner Takeover or a joint venture;
g. Identify potential revenue streams and value addition that makes the Mesurado Fishing Pier more attractive for business
h. Work out mechanisms and systems for accountability to block leakages in revenue collection.

The consultant will:

- Familiarize himself/herself with appropriate projects and documentation such as the Mesurado Pier and Robertsport Landing Cluster
- Consult with NaFAA Staff and Project management team, stakeholders and partners;
- On the basis of the above, develop a stakeholder validated private-sector type business plan to be used for sourcing for financing and generating resources / revenue for an impact oriented implementation.

In collaboration with the management and staff NaFAA and its projects finalize a solid economic case for public private partnership in the operations of the Mesurado Fishing Pier on which NaFAA can solicit tender for the sustainable operations of the Mesurado Pier.
3. **Duration**

The assignment is expected to be concluded within a one-month period.

3.1 **Deliverables/Outputs**

Development of an economic case for public private partnership in the operations of the Mesurado Fishing Pier.

4. **Deliverables**

4.1 An inception report containing a detailed presentation of methodological components and a table of content of the final document to be submitted 5 days after the contract is signed.

4.2 First draft of the economic case to be submitted 15 days after consultative visits to key partners of NaFAA.

4.3 Final economic case to be submitted not more than 5 days after the draft plan validation program.

5. **Qualification, experience and competencies.**

The consultant for this assignment should have:

- At least of a Masters degree or equivalent in development economics or fisheries or related fields;
- At least a 5-year work experience in business planning, program/project development;
- A solid knowledge of the Fisheries resources management and work experience in the region
- A good knowledge of and familiarity with national and regional strategies, policies and priorities for fisheries development in West Africa, in particular for the Marine, inland and aquaculture
- Language capabilities to function is English.

Interested candidates should submit an expression of interest and copies of credentials to the below address no later than 4:00 p.m., Friday, July 20, 2018.

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