

## **Procurement Notice No 129**

### **Expression of Interest: Urban Specialist Consulting Services**

The Global Center on Adaptation (GCA) requests Expressions of Interest in order to execute and implement high level services in accordance with developing and implementing GCAs varied Integrated Water Resource Management service needs.

### **INTRODUCTION**

The Global Center on Adaptation (GCA) is an international organization that works as a solutions broker to catalyze action and support for adaptation solutions, from the international to the local, in partnership with the public and private sector, to ensure we learn from each other and work together for a climate resilient future. Adapting to impacts of climate change provides a “win-win” for health, livelihoods, food security, water supply, human security and economic growth. The work of the GCA elevates the visibility and political importance of climate adaptation and facilitates solutions, such as smarter investments, new technologies and better planning to become more resilient to climate-related threats. GCA is a rapidly growing organization with offices in Abidjan, Beijing, Dhaka, Groningen, and Rotterdam.

The GCA has an ambitious 2020-2025 business plan with three pillars:

- **Programs and Action:** Food Security; Using Nature for more resilient infrastructure; Water for Urban Growth and Resilience; Climate Finance; Youth Leadership
- **Knowledge Acceleration:** Building adaptation knowledge globally through cutting edge products such as the State and Trends in Adaptation Report and the Knowledge Exchange Platform
- **Agenda Setting and Advocacy:** Formulating policy messages to move the global, regional, and local adaptation agendas forward.

GCA’s work program in Africa is of paramount importance. All of the components of GCA’s Business Plan must succeed to support changing the momentum and pace of adaptation in Africa. Guiding GCA’s program in Africa are two flagships: 1) Africa Adaptation Accelerator Program (AAP), co-created and implemented with African Development Bank Group (AfDB) to support African countries on key adaptation initiatives; and 2) State and Trends in Adaptation: Africa, a flagship knowledge publication prepared with

the Africa Adaptation Initiative (AAI), and regional and global knowledge partners to advance the knowledge base for African countries to take stock of progress and develop improved adaptation measures.

## **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

The consultant will collaborate closely with GCA's Global Lead Water to provide senior and complex technical assistance service to support mainstreaming water resilience building into future and ongoing operations of Multilateral Development Banks (MDB) in urban and rural areas in Africa. To this purpose the consultant will support the continued conceptual development that integrates Urban Development or Urban Disaster Risk Reduction into a comprehensive approach to water climate change adaptation in urban and rural areas. The consultant will provide senior technical assistance to countries to mainstream water climate adaptation in their national policies, institutions, and regulations. Finally, the consultant will provide senior technical assistance to task teams of MDB to mainstream water climate adaptation in investment projects and diagnostic work. This will include identification of focus areas for technical assistance, development of complex terms of references, and contract management.

If you wish to submit a proposal to provide the above services, please provide evidence of the following:

- That you are a registered legal entity or expert with at least 10 years of experience in providing technical assistance in the areas of Urban Development or Urban Disaster Risk Reduction (DRM). Please provide applicable registration documentation/Company Profile/Cover letter /Expert CV.
- That your lead expert/s each have more than 10 years professional experience in providing the services in the area of Urban Development or Urban Disaster Risk Reduction with international and/or intergovernmental organizations. Preferably with International Finance Institutions – Please provide documentary evidence.
- That you have led at least three projects in the last two years providing services similar to the above requirements related to Urban Development or Urban Disaster Risk Reduction – Please provide a short summary portfolio of these activities.

**HOW TO EXPRESS INTEREST**

The GCA looks forward to EOI submissions to the following email address only:

[procurement@gca.org](mailto:procurement@gca.org)

The closing date for submissions is 18.00 CET, 1st October 2021. Only those who have provided the required information in their EOI will be invited to submit proposals.