



MANO RIVER UNION UNION DU FLEUVE MANO

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTING SERVICE)

FOR THE CONSULTANCY SERVICE TO SUPPORT THE COLLECTION AND DISSIMINATION OF SEX DISAGGREGATED DATA ON INFORMAL VS FORMAL ECONOMY

COUNTRIES: Sierra Leone and Liberia

Sector: Gender Equality

Mode of Financing: Grant

Project ID: P-Z1-ID0-009 **Grant No:** 5900155016801

Issued Date: 25 February 2024

The Mano River Union Secretariat has received a grant from the African Development Fund to implement the project to Build Inclusive Business Ecosystems for Stabilization and Transformation (BI-BEST) in the Mano River Union (MRU) and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this grant to payments under the contract for the recruitment of a consultant to support the collection and dissemination of sex disaggregated data on the informal vs formal economy.

The services to be provided under the Assignment include the following:

- 1. Organize research activities that will lead to the collection and dissemination of gender disaggregated data of formal and informal trade covering cross border women traders in the three (3) selected value chains mainly in the selected project communities.
- Analyze, interpret, and present data collected to stakeholders for informed national trade
 decision making and programme design that will lead to trade and institutional strengthening,
 capacity building, increased participation, and awareness among project beneficiaries/cross
 border women traders in Sierra Leone and Liberia.

The assignment will be undertaken Two Months (not to exceed 40 working days), from the date of signature of contract.

The Mano River Union Secretariat is therefore inviting eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested Consultants shall provide information on their qualifications and experience (cover letter, supporting documents referencing similar services and showing demonstrated experience in similar assignments, etc.) to undertake this Assignment.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's "Procurement Policy and Methodology for Bank Group funded Operations" (BPM), dated 2015, which is available on the Bank's website at http://www.afdb.org. MRU is under no obligation to shortlist any consultant who expresses interest.

Interested Individual Consultants may obtain further information and Terms of Reference (ToR) from the Procurement Specialist email address: kensah@mru.int during the Office's working hours between 09:00 to 17:00 hours GMT.

Proposals (technical and financial) must be delivered to the address below by March 18th, 2024 Sierra Leone time and mention "CONSULTANCY SERVICE TO SUPPORT THE COLLECTION AND DISSIMINATION OF SEX DISAGGREGATED DATA ON INFORMAL VS FORMAL ECONOMY".

Attention:

Mano River Union Secretariat 32 S Spur Loop, Wilberforce, Freetown Rep. of Sierra Leone Tel: +232 76-964-965

E-mail: procurement@mru.int