



ROAD FUND

CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE PRE-QUALIFICATION OF CONSULTANTS TO DEVELOP A STRATEGY FOR THE TRANSITION FROM THE ROAD FUND TO A SECOND GENERATION ROAD FUND.

I - BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

In a bid to promote and consolidate sustainable economic growth, the Government of the Republic of Cameroon has created, with the support of development partners, a special type of Public Administrative Institution called the "Road Fund", placed under the financial supervision of the Ministry in charge of Finance and the technical supervision of the Ministry in charge of roads.

Established by Law No. 96/07 of 8 April 1996 on the protection of national assets and governed by Decree No. 2005/239 of 24 June 2005, supplemented by Decree No. 2012/173 of 29 March 2012, which lays down its organisation and terms for its functioning, the Road Fund is a permanent mechanism for financing programmes for the protection of national road assets, prevention and road safety, road maintenance, rehabilitation and development.

The priority national road network eligible for Road Fund financing, which was less than 30,000 km before 2017, has grown to more than 120,000 km by including all council roads eligible for Road Fund financing.

In addition, with economic growth, the national road network is increasingly growing and is around 173,000 km today, yet the resources for road maintenance have decreased between 2017 and 2022, from 60 billion to 50 billion in 2022.

Moreover, with the capping of resources and the 2019 Finance Law enshrining the merging of all Road Fund resources (Road users royalties (RUR), tolls, weighing-related fine, axle tax), the solvency of the Road Fund is further committed.

In view of these constraints, the State is considering, within the framework of the NDS-30 (170), a set of accompanying measures aimed at providing a framework for this ambitious road network development programme, including, inter alia, the transition from the Road Fund to a 2nd generation Road Fund. It will therefore be a Fund that collects the resources dedicated to road maintenance and makes them available to the various operational stakeholders in order to reverse the trend and guarantee greater autonomy.

This need already emerged during the meeting of Directors General of Road Maintenance Funds of the Central Africa Focal Group's countries of Africa RMF Association (ARMFA) in Yaounde in 2015 but has

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'Q' followed by a flourish.

hitherto been difficult to operationalise, the stakes being the proposal for a transition strategy from the current Road Fund model to a second generation Road Fund.

II – OBJECTIVE OF THE MISSION

It will provide the Road Fund with a strategy and action plan for the transition from the current Road Fund to a second generation Road Fund at the end of the mission.

III - NATURE AND SCOPE OF SERVICES

This Call for Expression of Interest aims at pre-qualifying consultants for a Limited Call for Tenders to recruit a consultant in charge of developing a strategy for the transition from the current Road Fund to a 2nd generation Road Fund.

The successful consultant shall:

- define criteria for a 2nd Generation Road Fund;
- present the normative basis for a 2nd generation Road Fund in Africa;
- do a comparative analysis of the operating procedures of three (3) 2nd generation African Road Funds with those of Cameroon Road Fund;
- do a critical analysis of the Road Fund position in the road maintenance system of Cameroon in relation to the 2nd generation Road Fund, based on SWOT and PESTEL methods;
- break down into actions, activities and tasks of the strategy that would enable the transition from the current Road Fund to a 2nd generation Road Fund, specifying the result indicators and output at each level.

IV - PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

This call for expression of interest is intended for consultants with a pre-constituted team of experts. At the end of the pre-qualification phase, the first three (3) consultants with a technical score of at least **80/100** will be selected for further procedure.

V - QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

- a) Compliance of administrative file;
- b) Composition of team of experts;
- c) Professional qualification of team members
- d) References of the firm in the execution of similar missions.

VI - ADMINISTRATIVE FILE AND TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

VI-1 Administrative file

It shall comprise the following documents:

- A stamped letter of expression of interest;

Q

- An attestation of non-bankruptcy issued by the Court of First Instance in the bidder's place of residence, dated less than three (3) months prior to the tender submission date;
- The bidder's attestation of bank account issued by a bank approved by Cameroon's Ministry of Finance;
- An attestation of non-exclusion from public contracts issued by PCRA.
- An attestation from the National Social Insurance Fund, dated less than three (3) months, certifying that the tenderer has fulfilled his obligations to the said Fund.
- An attestation of non-indebtedness dated less than three (3) months, certifying that the Co-contractor has made the regulatory tax declarations for the current fiscal year.

VI-2 Technical file

a)- Composition of the team mobilized for the mission: 55 points

The team proposed by the bidder shall comprise the following experts:

No.	Position	Qualification and experience	Number of points
A.1	Head of Mission	Holder of a university degree in project analysis and evaluation (GCE A/L +5 years)	5
		At least 10 years of experience in conducting diagnostic missions for projects and programmes, and in assisting in public policy formulation	5
		At least three (3) justified references in similar missions (diagnostic studies and organisational audit)	15
A.2	Public Finance Expert	Holder of a university degree in Public Finance (GCE A/L+5 years)	2
		Sound and proven experience (at least 5 years) in public finance	2
		At least three (3) justified references in similar missions (diagnostic studies and organisational audit)	6
A.3	Civil engineer	Holder of a Civil Engineering diploma (GCE A/L+5 years)	2
		Sound and proven experience (at least 10 years) in the design and execution of road works (contracting with the government)	2
		At least three justified references	6
A.4	Legal expert	Holder of a university degree in public law (GCE A/L+5 years)	2
		Sound and proven experience (at least 5 years) in conducting a diagnosis of legislative frameworks and developing procedure manuals	2
		At least three (3) justified references	6

d) References of the firm in the execution of similar missions: 45 points

They shall include a file presenting five (5) justified studies within the framework of similar missions:

- Programme evaluation;
- Organisational diagnostics;
- Strategy development;

- Action plan drafting;
- Diagnostic studies and organisational audit.

VII – FINANCING

The mission shall be financed by the Road Fund's operating budget of the 2022 financial year.

VIII - ADDRESS FOR SUBMITTING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST AND OBTAINING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Sealed envelopes containing the expression of interest must be submitted in seven (7) copies (1 original and 6 copies) no later than **23/05/2022** at **3:30 pm**. They shall be labelled:

"CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE PRE-QUALIFICATION OF CONSULTANTS TO DEVELOP A STRATEGY FOR THE TRANSITION FROM THE ROAD FUND TO A SECOND GENERATION ROAD FUND."

"To be opened only at the tender-evaluation session."

Additional technical information may be obtained from the Road Fund Administrator, latest 14 days before the tender submission deadline, at the following address:

12th floor (Mail office, Room 12-21), SNI Building, Tel.: (237) 222 22 47 52–Fax: (237) 222 22 47 89 – e-mail: contact@fondsrouciercameroun.org, Yaounde-Cameroon.

The Road Fund Administrator,



ESAIE MOUSSA AUBIN