



Republic of South Sudan  
Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security (MAFS)  
Single Project Coordination Unit (SPCU)

## CLIMATE RESILIENT AGRI-FOOD SYSTEMS TRANSFORMATION (CRAFT-01)

### Request For Expressions Of Interest (Individual Consultant: Program Manager)

Agricultural Sector  
Financing Agreement reference: 2100155043468  
Project ID No.: P-SS-AA0-004

The Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security (MAFS) in South Sudan is a ministry in the current Revitalized Transitional Government of National Unity. The mission of MAFS is to enhance the quality of life for over 87 percent of the rural population in the Republic of South Sudan; through increased productivity, sustainable and quality production coupled with integrated planning and sustainable and environmentally sustainable management. Our vision is sustainable transformation of the country's agriculture sector into a vibrant and productive economic sector that contributes to economic growth, social wellbeing, national food and nutrition security and poverty alleviation.

The government of the Republic of South Sudan has recently received Funding from the African Development Bank (AfDB) to implement a project under the Country Compact. **The overall objective of the first project** named "*Climate Resilient Agri-Food Systems Transformation (CRAFT-01)*" is to increase agricultural productivity and production, improve food security and build resilience in South Sudan. **The Specific objectives of the project include:** 1) scaling up climate-adaptive technologies and production systems, 2) developing women and youth-led businesses in priority value chains, 3) promoting digital agricultural and climate advisory solutions and, 4) build vocational, technical and entrepreneurship skills for more job opportunities for women and youth.

This project, together with other projects funded by AfDB<sup>1</sup> are expected to address the major constraints to agriculture production and productivity and facilitate overall achievement of the four strategic objectives of the agriculture sector. The ongoing AfDB-funded projects are all focused on improving food security by increasing agricultural production and building the resilience of the people of South Sudan to mitigate the risks of climate change and the effects of other external factors.

The incumbent is expected to manage this project and ensure operational synergy with other Donor-funded projects being coordinated through SPCU under MAFS.

#### Objectives

The primary objectives of the Programme Manager are to:

- The overall objective of the position is to provide overall leadership and management of CRAFT 01 project and to ensure efficient and effective delivery of the project parameters

<sup>1</sup> Build Resilience for Food and Nutrition Security (BREFONS), Agricultural Markets, Value Addition and Trade Development Project (AMVAT); Strengthening Emergency Preparedness and Response to Food Crisis (SEPREP); Climate Resilient Agri-Food Systems Transformation Program-Project 1 (CRAFT-1) and Leveraging Digital Systems for Emergency Preparedness and Response to Food Crisis (EMERGENSYS).



(Goal, Objectives and Indicators). The Programme anager will manage CRAFT -1 and provide the oversight, guidance and support for implementation of the project in-line with and in accordance with the provision of the Financing Agreement and associated documents signed between the Government of South Sudan, AfDB and FAO

### Key Responsibilities

- The CRAFT -1 Programme Manager will be the lead of the PMU Team and will be responsible for overseeing all aspects of CRAFT Phase 1 project, resources, managing the budget and implementation of the project activities.
- S/he is also responsible for producing high quality, reliable, and efficient information systems and reporting tailored to the needs of different levels of management and operational staff as well as to AfDB and the Government of South Sudan. S/he will be expected to mentor and/or build the capacity of Project staff from the implementing partners and relevant government departments at national and state levels.
- S/he will work closely with other Projects teams (procurement, Monitoring, Evaluation, Accountability and Learning (MEAL), finance, environment and gender) and other technical departments from relevant natural resource sector line ministries involved in the implementation of CRAFT-1 – including but not limited to Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security, Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation, The Lands Commission and, other relevant ministries like the Ministry of Finance and Planning, Ministry of Trade, Ministry of Gender and Ministry of Youth.

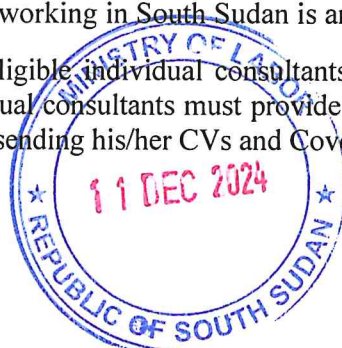
**Duration:** The assignment will be for a period of thirty-six(36) months with a possibility of extension subject to satisfactory performance.

### Qualifications

The ideal candidate for the Programme Manager position should possess the following qualifications:

- At least **master's degree** in Agricultural Science, Social Sciences, Project Management or any other relevant field or bachelor's degree in Agricultural Science, Social Science, Project Management or any other relevant field with at least 10 years of experience in lieu of masters.
- At least 6 years of working experience in the agriculture/rural development sector with good knowledge of project management preferably in developing countries ; and
- Strong understanding of project management, technical knowledge and problem-solving skills to offer solutions to problems.
- Experience working with AfDB or other similar donors, international development agencies will be an added advantage;
- Demonstrated ability to set priorities and to work with minimum supervision to meet changing deadlines.
- Strong teamwork skills and willingness to travel at short notice.
- Excellent communication skills with ability to express ideas clearly.
- Computer literacy and ability to use word processing and office technology equipment
- Experience working for donor implemented projects is an advantage.
- Experience working on Community Engagement Project is an added advantage.
- Experience in post- conflict or conflict situations is desirable.
- Previous experience working in South Sudan is an added advantage.

The MAFS now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested individual consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services by sending his/her CVs and Cover letter.





Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's *Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations, dated October 2015*, which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>. The Ministry of Agriculture and Food Security is under no obligation to shortlist any individual consultants who expresses interest.

Interested Individuals should send their CVs and Cover letter Electronically to the address below by **December 31, 2024** at 11:59p.m. (Midnight EAT) and mention **"Program Manager."**

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