

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)

Country	Benin
City	Cotonou
Agency	Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC)
Buyer	MCA-Benin Regional
Project Name	Corridor Infrastructure
Procurement Title	Technical Control Office (BCT) for the reconstruction works of the Bohicon-Dassa Zoumè road (83.17 km) into a 2x2 lane road.
Procurement Reference number	BENR 24-4002
Type of Procurement	Request for Offers (RFO)
Publication date	July 11, 2024
Submission deadline	August 12, 2024, at 2:00 pm – UTC+01:00

- 1. The United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC"), and the Government of Benin (the "Government"), signed on December 14, 2022 in Washington DC a Compact for a program pursuant to which MCC agreed to provide a grant of up to two hundred two million dollars (\$ 202,000,000) (« MCC Funds ») to the Government, as well as a two hundred and three million nine hundred and fifty one thousand four hundred and forty-six (\$203,951,446) contribution from the Government, to facilitate development of a Compact Program to reduce poverty through economic growth in Benin (« The Compact »). The Government acting through MCA-Benin Regional intends to apply a portion of the MCC Funding to eligible payments under a contract for which this Request for Offers ("RFO") is issued. The Compact and related documents are available on MCC website (www.mcc.gov) and on the MCA-Benin Regional (www.ucfbenin.bj)
- 2. The Compact program consists of the following two (2) projects:
 - (i) **The Corridor Infrastructure Project (CI)** which aims to reduce transportation costs along the transport corridor hat runs from Cotonou, Benin, Niamey, Niger;
 - (ii) The Efficient Corridor Operations Project (ECO) which aims to remedy these constraints through the implementation of certain political and institutional reforms which complement the corridor infrastructure project by improving the alignment of market and economic regulations, as well as border customs operations, and professionalizing the freight trucking sector.

- 3. MCC requires that all beneficiaries of MCC Funding, including the MCA Entity and any applicants, Bidders, Suppliers, contractors, Subcontractors, consultants, and subconsultants under any MCC-funded contracts, observe the highest standards of ethics during the procurement and execution of such contracts. MCC's Policy on Preventing, Detecting and Remediating Fraud and Corruption in MCC Operations ("MCC's AFC Policy") is applicable to all procurements and contracts involving MCC Funding and can be found on the MCC website at: https://www.mcc.gov/resources/doc/policy-fraud-and-corruption
- 4. MCA-Benin Regional now invites companies duly constituted to submit an Offer for the Consulting services for Technical Control Office (BCT) for the reconstruction works of the Bohicon-Dassa Zoumè road (83.17 km) into a 2x2 lane road («Offers»).
- 5. An Offeror will be selected under the **evaluation procedure as described in the Evaluation and comparison section of the RFO** in accordance with the "MCC Program Procurement Guidelines" provided on the MCC website (<u>www.mcc.gov/ppg</u>). 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.
- 6. The complete set of the bidding documents can be downloaded through the following link: <u>https://ln5.sync.com/dl/a4440f510/e6g9arxh-df4dppm7-dgije2nn-6xtwsk4x</u>. Companies interested in submitting an Offer, must express their interest by filling out the online registration form via the link <u>https://forms.office.com/e/W3k2dPRFc3</u>. This will ensure they receive any updates regarding this RFO.
- 7. The Offers shall be submitted in the manner specified in the submission and opening section of the RFO no later than August 12, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. UTC +01:00. Only electronic proposals submitted via the File Request Link (FRL) will be accepted. Late Offers will not be accepted under any circumstances.

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