

MULTINATIONAL: BENIN, COTE D’IVOIRE, GHANA, NIGERIA & TOGO AND THE ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF WEST AFRICAN STATES (ECOWAS)



STUDY FOR THE ABIDJAN – LAGOS CORRIDOR HIGHWAY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

1. The ECOWAS Commission has received several Grants from the Africa Development Fund (ADF) and the European Development Fund (through the Africa Investment Facility Window -AfIF) towards the financing of the Study for the Abidjan – Lagos Corridor Highway Development Project. The proceeds of these Grants are intended to be used for procurement of services under the Study. The Study will be jointly financed by ADF, EU-AfIF and the ECOWAS Commission.
2. The objective of the Abidjan-Lagos Corridor Highway Study is to undertake all of the necessary studies on the hard and soft aspects necessary for the effective implementation, operations and economic development of the Corridor; primarily, between Abidjan and Lagos via Accra, Lome and Cotonou. The new highway will be a six-lane (3-lane dual) carriageway highway, approximately 1028 kilometers and the Study to be undertaken will be based on one main principle. It shall primarily follow a new alignment, incorporating sections of the existing alignment, where necessary, to ensure route optimization.
3. The Study has the following Components:

	COMPONENT NAME	COMPONENT DESCRIPTION
1	A) <u>Feasibility Study, Environmental, Social Impacts Assessment (ESIA), and</u> B) <u>Detailed Engineering Design</u>	A) Comprise: (i) Feasibility study – engineering, financial, economic analysis of the project; (ii) environment and social impact assessment, resettlement and compensation B) Detailed engineering design of the road and social economic infrastructure system that is fit for purpose and in compliance with best practice and national requirements
2	<u>PPP Structuring and Transaction Advisory</u>	Analysis, design and execution of the approach on an implementable PPP Scheme for project investment. Comprise: i) PPP viability assessment; establishment of PPP financial model, developing PPP structure and identification of follow-on PPP projects; ii) preparing model documentations (tender documents for PPP options selected, etc.) and assisting in the transaction for selected PPP viable follow-on projects.
3	<u>Corridor Spatial Development Study</u>	An analysis of the physical, technical, policy, economic and market aspects of the corridor to develop realistic, market feasible and implementable masterplan, development framework and delivery strategy. Comprise, but not limited to: baselines assessment; market analysis; market intelligence platform and market infrastructure; multi-modal transport logistics study; multi-sector infrastructure needs analysis; commercial viability; land-use planning; stakeholder analysis; delivery strategy and potential funding mechanism.

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4	<u>Trade and Transport Facilitation</u>	Comprise: i) review existing International (United Nations) and Regional (ECOWAS) Trade and Transport facilitation Protocols, studies and policies in operation on the corridor (ii) develop harmonised and simplified sub-regional transportation and transit systems and border (one-stop) management, including ICT connectivity and information sharing on customs, immigration and other border agencies at national and regional level; iii) undertake corridor performance diagnostics and the publication of corridor efficiency indicators.
5	<u>Corridor Management Authority (ALCoMA)</u> A. <u>Study</u> B. <u>Establishment and Operations</u>	Comprise two sub-components. (A) diagnostic study: i) evaluate and review existing institutional and operational frameworks on the continent's corridor against international best practices; ii) identify the requisite institutional arrangements, character and functionalities for operating a supra-national semi-autonomous authority; iii) accordingly, develop legal and institutional framework, modalities and requisite capacity for the establishment of ALCoMA. (B) Setup, operationalisation and capacity building of ALCoMA (Setup cost and three-year operations expenditure).
6	<u>Project Management Services</u>	This component comprises related services to ensure good management and monitoring of Study implementation. It comprises capacity support to ECOWAS and Member State agencies to effectively manage all the above service components on behalf of ECOWAS. This will include: i) multi-discipline project implementation management unit backed by Technical Assistance; ii) project visibility, resource mobilisation participation; iii) multi-lateral coordination activities, e.g. study validation workshops; iv) training and capacity building programmes; vi) procuring office equipment and logistics;
7	<u>Road Safety Audits</u>	Developing operational road safety systems, utilising safe design practices and international standards to ensure safety of all road users.
8	<u>Financial Audits</u>	Financial auditing and reporting carried out by an independent private audit firm

4. Procurement of contracts financed by ADF and EU-AfIF will be conducted through the procedures as specified in the African Development Bank Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations, dated October 2015. Bidding documents are expected to be available by February 2017.

5. Interested bidders may obtain further information, and should confirm their interest, by contacting:

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