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## NOTICE OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

**Title** : Recruitment of a design office/firm to support the process of revision of the West African Water Resources Policy (WARP).

**Funding:** ECOWAS

**Reference:** ECOWAS NO./CGRE/AMI-002/2025_R

The Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), represented by the Centre for Water Resources Management (CGRE), plans to finance from its 2025 budget support **services for the process of revising the West African Water Resources Policy (WAEP).**

The advisory services requested relate to a mission to make a critical assessment of the implementation of the West African water resources policy and to propose new directions taking into account the political, institutional, environmental, socio-economic and operational developments that have taken place in the region since its adoption in December 2008.

The mission will take place over an estimated period of thirty (30) man-days spread over eight (8) calendar months from the date of signature of the contract.

The Centre for Water Resources Management (CGRE) invites eligible firms or consultancies (Consultants, firms) to express their interest in providing the Services. Interested companies must provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The qualifications and relevant experience of consultants should be supported by documents such as copies of contracts, certificates of good performance, etc. The absence of supporting documents is eliminatory.

The pre-selection criteria are as follows:

a) be a design office/firm operating in fields intersecting with IWRM (hydrology, sociology, law, socio-economics, environment, rural engineering, sanitation) for at least ten (10) years;
b) Have experience in the formulation and analysis of policies and laws and regulations in the field of water resources management and sanitation in West Africa.
c) Demonstrate experience in studies on the legal and institutional environment for water resources and sanitation management in West Africa and issues related to IWRM and sanitation as well as regional cooperation in the field of water and sanitation in West Africa.
d) Justify experiences in studies related to the regional IWRM and sanitation process in West Africa and in working with institutional actors in this process (States, Transboundary Basin Organizations, local authorities, civil society organizations, private sector, technical and financial partners).

The design office/Cabinet must justify the realization in the ECOWAS region of at least three (03) missions in the formulation and analysis of policies and legislative/regulatory texts in the field of water resources management and sanitation in West Africa;

e) Demonstrate the ability to provide key personnel with the following skills:
   - a thorough knowledge of the legal and institutional environment for water resources management and sanitation in West Africa, and of issues related to IWRM and sanitation as well as regional cooperation in the field of water and sanitation in West Africa.
   - knowledge of the regional IWRM and sanitation process in West Africa and experience of working with institutional actors in the process (States, Transboundary Basin Organizations, local authorities, civil society organizations, private sector, technical and financial partners);
   - Excellent ability to communicate in French and/or English and/or Portuguese, and a good knowledge of one of the other two languages.

Key experts will not be assessed at the screening stage.

The eligibility criteria, the establishment of the shortlist, as well as the selection procedure, will be in line with the ECOWAS Rules and Procedures for the use of selection based on the qualification of consultants (ECOWAS Procurement Code, revised version 2021), available on its website: *http:// www.ecowas.int* and https://wrmc-cgre.com

The minimum qualifying score is 70 points out of 100.

Interested consultants are invited to submit their expression of interest file including:

- A letter of expression of interest;
- A copy of the trade register;
- A certificate of non-bankruptcy;
- Proof of years of practice and experience;
- An indicative list of the profile of key experts to be mobilized; specifying the profiles and experiences of similar projects carried out.

Expressions of interest should be submitted electronically and clearly marked **"ECOWAS/CGRE/AMI-002/2025_R** ".

Interested consultants may obtain additional information at: **wrmc_cgre@ecowas.int** with copy to **: mdtoure@yahoo.fr; gbalex2000@yahoo.fr; sbangoura@ecowas.int; ikkamara@ecowas.int; ombacke@ecowas.int ,** Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. GMT.

Applications must be sent by email to the following address: **wrmc_cgre@ecowas.int** no later than August **26, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. (GMT).**

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