



"The Peoples Electricity Link"

# Rural Electrification Agency

## Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development

### REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Country: Uganda  
Name of Project: Energy for Rural Transformation Phase Three – ERT III (Uganda)  
Credit No.: 5653

Project ID.: P133312  
Procurement Reference No.: REA-ERT III/SRVCS/18-19/ 000114

**Assignment Title:**  
**INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO PROVIDE CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MONITORING AND EVALUATION DEPARTMENT IN THE RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AGENCY (REA)**

#### BACKGROUND

The Rural Electrification Agency (REA) is a Government institution formed in 2001 to facilitate the provision of electricity to rural areas in an equitable and sustainable manner. REA was established as a result of the Energy Sector Reforms which led to the enactment of the new Electricity Act, 1999.

REA was established as semi-autonomous agency to operationalize Government's rural electrification function. It is mandated to implement the electrification programme and is currently rolling out the newly approved Electricity Connections Policy that aims at increasing electricity connectivity in Uganda with a population of over 85% in rural areas.

The Government has invested a considerable amount of funds through REA to construct over 15,000 km of Medium Voltage and Low Voltage projects as well as implementation of last mile connections. The Government continues to invest in electrification so as to achieve increased access rates which stand at 20% countrywide and 10% in rural areas on all forms of energy. The Government through REA is embarking on the implementation of the Electricity Connections Policy to increase access from 20% to 60% by 2027. In line with huge investment in financing, it has become necessary to put in place a department which will oversee monitoring and evaluation of the different investments and ensure that value for the funds is achieved.

To keep abreast of the progress made, there is need to monitor and evaluate progress towards achieving the set targets to ensure that timely and corrective action is taken for the electricity sector to attain the goals above. This will require setting up a Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Department at REA.

The Individual consulting services ("the Services") for the assignment will require the individual Consultant to assist in setting up the M& E Department at REA.

The consultant's scope of work will include the following:

- a) Assess the REA/electricity sector monitoring and evaluation needs.

The consultant will assess REA's current monitoring and reporting mechanisms, gaps relating to monitoring and reporting requirements of ongoing and pipeline activities, and value addition from strengthened M&E arrangements. This will culminate into a logical framework. The logical framework should clearly articulate the inputs, outputs, outcomes and impact that need to be measured and monitored.

- b) Review lessons from other successful M&E arrangements in the electricity sector. The consultant will review successful implementation of M&E in the electricity sector (especially access) in the region and elsewhere. Based on these, the consultant will draw lessons and recommendations relevant to Uganda in terms of design, capacity and functioning of the M&E Department at REA.
- c) Specify requirements for M&E Department. Work closely with REA management and staff to establish the existing level of M&E capacity and come up with a clear articulated M&E requirements for REA. This will include staffing, software, hardware, and training needs to set up the M&E Department.

1. The Rural Electrification Agency of the Ministry of Energy and Mineral Development now invites eligible individual consultants to express their interest in provision of the Services. Interested Individual Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.
2. The short listing criteria are:-

#### A candidate should the following key qualifications and Experience:

- a) A Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering, Economics, Project Management or Monitoring and Evaluation or a related field
- b) Master's degree in Monitoring and Evaluation, Project Planning and Management or related field.
- c) Ten years work experience in the field of Monitoring and Evaluation, setting up M&E systems.
- d) He/she should have developed and implemented at least 2 similar M&E projects within the past five (05) years i.e. 2014-2018.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans

and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers January 2011 revised July 2014 ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

1. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultants Selection Method (ICS) set out in the Consultant Guidelines.
2. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, i.e. 08:00 a.m. to 16:00 p.m. (local time), Monday to Friday:-

**Rural Electrification Agency**  
**Plot 10 Windsor Loop, Kololo**  
**2nd Floor, House of Hope**  
**Tel: +256-312-318100**  
**Email: procurement@rea.or.ug**

One (01) Original and Two (02) Copies of the Expressions of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below by 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. (Local time).

**Rural Electrification Agency**  
**Attn: Procurement Specialist, ERTIII**  
**Plot 10 Windsor Loop, Kololo**  
**2nd Floor, House of Hope**  
**Kampala**  
**Email: procurement@rea.or.ug**

3. The planned procurement schedule (subject to changes) is as follows:-

Activity	Date
a. Publication of Notice of Expression of Interest	5 <sup>th</sup> October, 2018
b. Closing date for receipt of Expression of Interest	16 <sup>th</sup> October, 2018
c. Contract Award	11 <sup>th</sup> December, 2018
d. Contract Signing	27 <sup>th</sup> December, 2018

**THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**