MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND NATIONAL PLANNING
National Authorising Office of the European Development Fund

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CVs)
(Consulting Services – Individual Consultant Selection)

Country:	**Zambia**
Project:	**Irrigated and Sustainable Agriculture for Transformation (ISAT) Project**
Grant No.:	**IDA E7360 & TF-D2069**
Project ID:	**P514111**

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The Government of the Republic of Zambia, through the Ministry of Finance and National Planning (MoFNP), with the Ministry of Agriculture (MoA), has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of implementing the **"Irrigated and Sustainable Agriculture for Transformation (ISAT) Project"** and intends to apply part of the proceeds for recruitment of" **Individual Consultants" for the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) to support the project implementation phase.**

PROJECT BACKGROUND AND INFORMATION

The Government of Zambia has prioritized agricultural transformation as a key driver of economic growth, food and nutrition security, job creation, and climate resilience under the Eighth National Development Plan (8NDP)**,** the National Agriculture Policy (NAP**)**, and the Comprehensive Agriculture Transformation Support Program (CATSP)**.** Within this agenda, irrigation development is recognized as a strategic intervention for boosting agricultural productivity, reducing vulnerability to climate variability, and promoting sustainable, market-oriented agriculture. In this regard, the Government of Republic of Zambia (GRZ) has accessed funding from the International Development Association (IDA) to finance the Irrigated and Sustainable Agriculture for Transformation (ISAT) Project.

The project development objective of Irrigated and Sustainable Agriculture for Transformation (ISAT) is "to increase access to irrigation, enhance integration into agriculture value chains and climate resilience in Zambia"

IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS

The Ministry of Agriculture will have overall oversight of project implementation. The Ministry of Finance through the National Authorizing Office of the European Development Fund (NAO) will oversee fiduciary aspects such as procurement and financial management. The Department for Project Management and Monitoring (DPMM) within the MoA as the designated lead implementation unit will assume overall responsibility for coordinating implementation, management and monitoring of project activities.

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The MoA, through the National Authorising Office of the European Development Fund (NAO), now invites suitably qualified and experienced individuals ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing Services for the 8 positions covered in this REOI (CVs),

THE INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS' POSITIONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(i) Project Coordinator
(ii) Geo-Spatial/M&E Specialist.
(iii) Agribusiness/Value Chain Specialist.
(iv) Irrigation Engineer.
(v) Environmental Safeguards Specialist.
(vi) Social Safeguards Specialist.
(vii) Extension Services Expert.
(viii) Digital & ICT Specialist.

CONTRACT DURATION

The appointments under this project shall be for an initial period of three (3) years and may be renewed subject to satisfactory performance and the availability of funds.

SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST – CVs BY INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS

Interested candidates are requested to submit their applications/expressions of interest and Curriculum Vitae (CV), demonstrating relevant qualifications and experience.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" February 2025 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

The Consultants will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultant Selection method set out in the Procurement Regulations (World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" February 2025) using Open National Market Approach.

DETAILED TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR) AND CV TEMPLATE CAN BE FOUND AT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE:

https://nao.gov.zm/ or obtained from the NAO at the address provided below. Candidates are also free to use other comparable formats of CVs

Submission of Expressions of Interest (CVs) and accompanying copies of relevant documents must be delivered to the address below (either in hard copy or by email) **not later than 17:00 hrs Zambian time, Thursday, 10th December 2026.**

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