



Ministry of Water and Sanitation

Blantyre Water Board

Blantyre City Council

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)**

Country	:	Malawi
Name of Project	:	Malawi Water and Sanitation Project
Grant No.	:	IDA E159-MW
Assignment Title	:	Consultancy Services for Detailed Engineering Design and Construction supervision of Blantyre Water Board's New Head Office Building
Reference No.	:	MW-BWB-366345-CS-QCBS

The Government of Malawi through Blantyre Water Board (BWB) has applied for financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Malawi Water and Sanitation Project-1 (MWSP-1) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The objective of the MWSP-1 is to increase access to improved water supply and sanitation services in Blantyre metropolitan area and to enhance the operational and financial efficiency of the Blantyre Water Board. Component 3 of the MWSP-1 is supporting institutional development activities aimed at enhancing BWB's financial efficiency and governance systems, improving BCC's capacity to manage sanitation services and supporting the water sector investment planning and policy development to enhance the sustainability of urban water services. Some of the activities under these components shall include construction of Blantyre Water Board Head Office building. Blantyre Water Board (BWB) would like to engage a Consultant to prepare detailed Engineering, eco-architectural and environmentally sensitive designs; tender documents and construction supervision of modern Blantyre Water Board Head Office building.

The consulting services ("the Services") include includes preparation of detailed Engineering, eco-architectural and environmentally sensitive designs; tender documents and construction supervision of modern Blantyre Water Board Head Office building. The assignment shall be conducted in two phases: Phase 1-preparation of detailed engineering design and tender documentation and Phase 2 – construction supervision.

The assignment shall be completed within a period of Thirty-Six (36) calendar months. Phase 1 of the consultancy assignment is expected to be conducted over a period of Six (6) months. Phase 2 shall be conducted over a period of Thirty (30) calendar months which shall include a 12- months defects liability period. The assignment is expected to start in September 2023.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TORs) for the assignment can be found at the following website [https:// https://www.bwb.mw/Tenders.php](https://www.bwb.mw/Tenders.php)

The Blantyre Water Board now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- (i) Core business area in Engineering consulting
- (ii) Relevant similar experience, which should specifically include the below:
 - Experience in preparation of preliminary and detailed architectural and engineering designs, drawings and specifications for the office buildings/structures in line with relevant ISO and EDGE certified standards
 - Experience in preparation of comprehensive costing of the projects and bidding documents aligning to World Bank (IDA) requirements.
 - Experience in construction supervision of office structures/buildings
- (iii) Technical and managerial capability of the firm (Provide only the structure of the organization, general qualifications, and number of key staff. Do not provide CV of the staff). Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

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” dated November 2020 (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours *i.e., from 08:00 to 16.30 hours*

Expressions of interest clearly marked ***Consultancy Services for Detailed Engineering Design and Construction supervision of Blantyre Water Board’s New Head Office Building*** must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail or by e-mail) by **12th September 2023 at 9.00am local time.**

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