



ZAMBEZI WATERCOURSE COMMISSION

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES - FIRM SELECTION – MULTINATIONAL)

ASSESSING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SADC WATER, ENERGY AND FOOD (WEF) NEXUS GUIDELINES IN THE ZAMBEZI WATERCOURSE CONSULTANCY SERVICES

For Programme for Integrated Development and Adaptation to Climate Change (PIDACC) – Zambezi Regional Project

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The Zambezi Watercourse Commission (ZAMCOM) has received a grant from the African Development Fund (ADF) towards the costs of the Regional (ZAMCOM) Project of the Programme for Integrated Development and Adaptation to Climate Change in the Zambezi Basin (PIDACC Zambezi) and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this grant to payments under the contract for consultancy services to improve and strengthen the regional adaptation and mitigation to climate change through the establishment of an integrated landscape management approach.

PIDACC Zambezi's development objective is to strengthen regional cooperation in building the resilience of the Zambezi River Basin communities to climatic and economic shocks, through promoting inclusive, transformative investments, job creation and ecosystem-based solutions.

The objective of this assignment is to assess the extent, effectiveness, and outcomes of the implementation of the SADC Water-Energy-Food (WEF) Nexus Operational Guidelines in the Zambezi Watercourse, with a view to identifying gaps, challenges, best practices, and opportunities for improved integrated resource management and policy coherence across the riparian states.

The specific tasks to be carried out by the Consultant in the Zambezi Watercourse Riparian States shall include the following.

- i) Evaluate the current status of WEF Nexus mainstreaming in national and regional policies, strategies, and plans of Zambezi River Basin countries.
- ii) Assess institutional coordination and governance mechanisms for integrated WEF Nexus implementation at national and transboundary levels.

- iii) Identify and document WEF Nexus-related programs and projects implemented in the Zambezi basin, their alignment with the SADC WEF Nexus guidelines, and their effectiveness.
- iv) Analyze capacity needs, financing mechanisms, and stakeholder participation in Nexus implementation, including the role of River Basin Organizations (RBOs), government institutions, private sector, and civil society.
- v) Identify barriers, challenges, and enabling factors that affect the adoption and implementation of the WEF Nexus approach in the basin.
- vi) Propose recommendations and action points to enhance the effective application of the WEF Nexus guidelines in the Zambezi Watercourse.
- vii) Propose two pilots community level initiatives

The duration of the assignment is 6 months.

ZAMCOM now invites eligible firms to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Firms may constitute joint ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

Eligibility criteria, the establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's ***as specified in the Bank's Procurement Framework, dated 2015***, which is available on the Bank's website at <https://www.afdb.org/en/projects-and-operations/procurement/new-procurement-policy>.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the ***Consultant Qualification Selection (CQS) method*** set out in the said Policy.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during working days and office hours (0800 hours – 1630 hours CAT),

Expressions of interest addressed to the **Executive Secretary** must be submitted electronically by **E-mail: procurement@pidacc.zambezicommission.org, on or before 1630 hours CAT on 18 December 2025**, quoting, "EOI WEFE Guidelines, Ref: PIDACC-CS10-2025". The format of the e-mailed documents shall be in PDF.

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