



RESERVE BANK OF MALAWI

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

ENGAGEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION CONSULTANT(S) TO ASSIST IN THE TECHNICAL AUDIT OF PHASE II OF THE MZUZU BRANCH PROJECT OF THE RESERVE BANK OF MALAWI.

The Internal Audit Department of the Reserve Bank of Malawi (the Bank), in line with its mandate to provide assurance services to the Board and Management of the Bank, intends to undertake a Second Technical Audit of the Mzuzu Branch Building Phase II (the Project). Due to the specialized technical nature of the assignment, it was resolved to solicit the services of Construction Consultants within the SADC region to assist in the exercise.

The Bank therefore invites Expression of Interest (EOI) from Construction Consultants to assist in conducting an independent technical audit on the Project. Consultants will be expected to work hand in hand with the Bank's Internal Audit team during the execution of the assignment.

OBJECTIVE

The main objectives of the assignment are:

- To provide an independent and professional opinion on all issues regarding the implementation of Phase II of the Project
- Review of technical solutions provided by the Structural Engineer to the problems encountered in Phase I of the Project and the implementation of the solutions.

SCOPE OF THE SERVICES

The Consultant(s) shall provide the following services:

- Make independent professional and technical reviews of solutions provided on the identified issues and problems on the Project, a list of which will be provided by the Bank.
- Conduct an independent architectural and structural technical examination on the Project's designs and the existing structure.
- Determine if the planning, designing, costing and execution of the Project is progressing in line with the contract terms, relevant laws & regulations, construction standards and best practices prevalent in the construction industry.
- Assess if quality of the work done is up to acceptable standard.
- Review implementation of recommendations from Technical Audit Report on Construction of Phase 1 of the Project.
- Work hand in hand with the Bank's Internal Audit team during the execution of the assignment.

- Arrange progress meetings where necessary and communicate issues that need immediate attention to the Bank's Internal Audit.

DURATION

The assignment is expected to be completed within eight weeks including report writing.

ELIGIBILITY

The Consultant shall be a multi-disciplinary team comprising Architectural, Structural & Civil Engineering, and Electrical Engineering and Quantity Surveying and shall have at least seven (7) years experience with a proven track record and well qualified and experience personnel in the relevant fields.

A lead Consultant in each team will not be a sub-consultant in another team.

The Consultant who is directly or indirectly involved in the construction of Phase II of the Project is not eligible to apply.

Expression of Interest will be evaluated in accordance with the Malawi Public Procurement Act, 2003. Participation is open to all eligible countries.

Expression of Interest in sealed envelopes and properly marked, “**EOI Technical Audit Review of Mzuzu Branch Project** ” should be sent to following address:

**The Chairperson,
RBM Internal Procurement Committee,
Convention Drive; Plot No. 16/1
P. O. Box 30063,
Capital City
Lilongwe 3,
Malawi.**

Or

Should be deposited in the Tender Box marked ‘**EOI Technical Audit Review of Mzuzu Branch Project**’ placed at the Bank’s reception at Head Office, **Lilongwe**

The deadline for submission of EOI is 19 August, 2011 at 15:00 hours and shall coincide with the time of opening of the EOIs in the Bank’s Auditorium in Lilongwe. Late submissions will not be accepted. The Bank is not bound to accept any EOI. Interested bidders are invited to attend the opening ceremony.