

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE (IITA)
TECHNOLOGIES FOR AFRICAN AGRICULTURAL TRANSFORMATION (TAAT)
FALL ARMYWORM (FAW) ENABLER

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANCY SERVICES

SECTOR: Agriculture

CONSULTANCY SERVICES: Technology Transfer Officer

Financing Agreement reference: P- Z1-A00-016

Project ID No.: 2100155036067

This request for expression of interest follows the General Procurement Notice for this project that appeared on the African Development Bank Group's Internet Website(www.afdb.org) 16th August, 2018

The International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) is implementing the Fall Armyworm (FAW) enabler Compact, financed through a grant from the African Development Bank toward the cost of the Technologies for African Agricultural Transformation (TAAT) Program and intends to apply part of the proceeds for this grant to facilitate payments under the contracts for individual consultant for position of Technology Transfer Officer.

The Consultant is expected to communicate strategies for FAW management to the Zambian national program and other local delivery actors using various communication channels; Assist in the development of FAW training and awareness materials and their dissemination to public and private sector national partners, and farmers; Facilitate the training of national partners and farmers on the identification of FAW, FAW field assessments and scouting, and responsible use of plant protection products; Be responsible for setting up and maintaining trials and demonstration plots of proven/promising FAW management technologies and organizing Field Days to showcase performance of such technologies; Participate in scaling up and deployment of proven FAW management technologies and be responsible for follow-ups to assess on-farm performance of such technologies; Participate in monitoring and evaluation (M&E) of the FAW Compact so as to assess progress made towards set targets and goals; Document farmers' initiatives in managing FAW and other evident natural pest regulatory processes for inclusion into the R4D agenda for FAW.

The desired consultant is expected to possess a B.Sc. degree Agriculture, Biological Sciences or related discipline with at least four (4) years of professional work experience in agricultural technology transfer, integrated pest management, or a closely related role. Demonstrable knowledge of FAW biology and ecology, surveillance or monitoring programs, management technologies, set-up and management of FAW trials (on-station and on-farm), farmer and extension worker training on FAW; Work experience with public and private institutions, strategic stakeholders and local delivery actors on FAW-related activities (e.g. farmer training, determination of incidence, assessment of performance of technologies under evaluation or under limited deployment, M&E data collection, etc.); Excellent written and verbal communication skills in English and fluent in one or more of Zambia's national languages; Ability to work in a multi-disciplinary, multi-institutional, and multi-cultural environment.

IITA now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested individual consultants must provide comprehensive curriculum vitae information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services including a description of similar assignments done and experience in similar conditions.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the *Bank's October 2015 edition of the Bank's Procurement Policy framework 1*. The assignment shall be for the life of the Project but shall be for a duration of one (1) year in the first instance and is expected to start on 1st November 2019.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours (0800-1630hrs)².

Expressions of interest should be delivered to the address below by 11th October 2019.

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¹ Consult the Bank's Rules and Procedures for the eligibility requirements

² For example, 0900 to 1700 hours