

FINANCIAL SERVICES REGISTRY, CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FROM QUALIFIED FIRMS FOR

THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A FIELD BASED REGISTRATION OF ALL FINANCIAL ACCESS POINTS IN TANZANIA

BACKGROUND

The Financial Sector Deepening Trust of Tanzania (FSDT), on behalf of the Financial Services Registry, wishes to appoint a company to conduct the registration of financial access points in Tanzania.

FSDT, Bank of Tanzania and Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation have conducted two census mapping exercises in Tanzania in 2012 and 2013/14. These collected the location (GPS coordinates) and basic supplementary data about all financial service points in Tanzania. Valuable market data for the regulator and Financial Service Providers was generated and used in decision making. Consequently, this has led to an increased demand for spatial data by the market.

In order to meet this demand, FSDT in collaboration with the Bank of Tanzania (BoT) will conduct a third round of registration of all financial access points in Tanzania. The process entails the field teams visiting the financial access points to:

- Capture their GPS locations and supplementary data using a smartphone based application (the App). The App will be provided
- Issue a unique ID to every financial service location

Other than the previous two rounds, the current will cater for a sustainable ongoing registration procedure once the initial mass registration has been completed.

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Service locations to be captured are likely to include:

- Commercial Banks
- Community Banks
- Standalone ATMs
- Bank Agents
- Mobile Money Agents
- Microfinance Institutions
- Microfinance Banks

- SACCOS
- Insurance
- Point of Sale (POS) Devices
- Merchants
- Money Transfer Operators

SPECIFICATION OF REGISTRATION EXERCISE

To conduct the registration exercise, the vendor will be required to register all financial access points as described above. The registration will be done using a smartphone based data collection tool.

The data captured during this project will form the basis of a national registry of financial access points, which will:

- Provide information to the general public on the location of their nearest financial service
- Provide information to policy makers and regulators for decision making and setting policy
- Provide information to Financial Service Providers

Due to the above mentioned factors it is critical that a top quality and highly experienced fieldwork team undertakes the registration exercise.

The project is a Bank of Tanzania initiative, which will in its initial phase be supported by the FSDT, during project implementation a close collaboration with Financial Service Providers and other relevant stakeholders is required. Only firms with demonstrated capacity experience in conducting large scale, preferably national, data collection or registration exercises will be considered for this important assignment. Those firms which do not have experience in conducting a large scale data collection or registration exercises using smartphones or tablets to collect data need not apply.

Successful firms are expected to:

- demonstrate previous experience in census like surveys, on national scale
- demonstrate personal and technological capacity to facilitate a team on national scale
- have established internal quality control procedures to ensure exhaustive coverage of each area to be surveyed

Potential bidders are required to submit a capacity statement, CVs of all key personal to be engaged in the project and references of previous projects.

Interested firms should send an expression of interest along with a capability statement by 16:00 hrs on 14th March 2018 electronically to <u>procurement@fsdt.or.tz</u> Expressions of Interest sent electronically but failing to arrive by the deadline will require proof of date and time sent to be considered.

Short-listing will take place by 28th March 2018 All shortlisted firms will be issued with a formal invitation to tender, setting out the full terms of reference, the basis on which the contract will be awarded and other details. Those who didn't meet the criteria will not be contacted.