



Somalia Stability Fund

PRE-QUALIFICATION OF CONSTRUCTION FIRMS IN SOMALIA

PRE-QUALIFICATION TERMS OF REFERENCE

Client: Adam Smith International Africa Limited as the implementing agency of the Somalia Stability Fund (SSF III)

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Terms of Reference

ABOUT SSF III

The Somalia Stability Fund Phase 3 (SSFIII) takes forward the multi-donor agreement at the 2012 London conference on Somalia to “integrate political, security and development interventions, and respond quickly to emerging opportunities.” The fund was designed as a flexible, politically informed, and responsive procurement facility. The SSF III, launched in March 2023, aims to support inclusive political dialogue, address grievances, strengthen local governance, and enhance accountability between citizens and the state, working collaboratively with Somali authorities, civil society, and international partners is crucial for the success of the project.

PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

SSF III plans to prequalify eligible construction firms across all the Federal Members State for diverse projects. The prequalification process will enable SSF III to develop a database of prequalified contractors across all Federal Member State for future diverse infrastructure needs. SSF III plans to engage prequalified firms over a three (3) year period and will conduct a closed bidding process with these pre-qualified contractors across all states in Somalia.

SCOPE OF WORK

The Fund will run a procurement that prequalifies potential contractors to undertake diverse construction works. This opportunity cuts across all Federal Member States for diverse projects as follows: -

- a. Buildings (more than one storey): PQ/LOT1
- b. Roads: PQ/LOT2
- c. Solar projects: PQ/LOT3
- d. Borehole/ water pan projects: PQ/LOT4

Pre-qualification Phase: In this stage, the Fund will conduct a pre-qualification to identify potential contractors. Once this process is complete, successful candidates will be allowed to bid on subsequent construction works. Only pre-qualified contractors will be able to bid on upcoming construction works. Gaining pre-qualification **DOES NOT** guarantee that firms will be awarded contractors. Local firms are encouraged to apply. Applications must be submitted by individual firms.

Geography: SSF III anticipates utilising the prequalification database across Somalia. To ensure that firms have the relevant geographic experience, bidders should provide information on where in Somalia they have previously implemented and the technical areas most suited for their organization.

Technical Areas: These are the technical areas under which SSF III will issue diverse construction works to meet respective community needs. Bidders are requested to provide past performance information (e.g., contract and completion certificate) to indicate their ability to do work in any of these areas. Bidders may choose multiple technical areas as highlighted below:

- **Buildings:** Previous experience in construction of infrastructure for at least 2 storey buildings, meeting halls and market infrastructures.
- **Roads:** Previous experience in construction of murram roads, concrete roads, paving block roads and asphalt roads
- **Solar Project:** Previous experience in installation of solar mini grid systems, solar water pumps and solar light installation.
- **Borehole/water pan:** Previous experience in drilling and development of borehole projects. Previous experience in water pan construction.

Eligibility and Evaluation Criteria

SSFIII seeks organisations who have demonstrated technical experience implementing in Somalia in the specified technical areas. They must demonstrate organizational capacity and capability to manage high-quality activities.

NOTE: Eligible bidders must meet the following minimum requirements to be considered:

- Provide certified copies of registration (FGS or FMS level)
- Provide a valid certified copy of tax compliance (federal and/or state level)
- Certified audited financial statements for the last three (3) years
- Previous working experience in Somalia in construction works

All applications will be evaluated based on the criteria listed below.

#	Technical Evaluation Requirement
1	Contractual Experience: Applicants must show proof of successfully executed contracts/agreements valued at over USD 250,000.
2	Relevant Technical Experience: Demonstrated experience within the past seven (7) years in any of the specified technical areas and geographic locations within Somalia. Applicants must submit copies of contracts and final reports of three different projects that they deem suitable as evidence when bidding for any of the technical areas. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Copies of three (3) different contract/agreement and, ○ Three (3) different completion certificates
4	References: A minimum of three (3) relevant references is required