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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (REOI)

CONSULTING SERVICES-FIRMS SELECTION.

ASSIGNMENT TITLE: CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR UNDERTAKING A FEASIBILITY STUDY AND DEVELOPING A CONCEPT DESIGN FOR A STATE-OF-THE-ART NATIONAL QUALITY CONTROL LABORATORY.

REFERENCE NO. (AS PER PROCUREMENT PLAN): NCQL/962/RFP/0003/2026-27

1. The National Quality Control Laboratory (NQCL) is a statutory body corporate established under Section 35D of the Pharmacy and Poisons Act (Cap. 244), Laws of Kenya. NQCL has secured funding and invites qualified consultants to undertake a feasibility study and develop a concept design for a state-of-the-art laboratory campus that meets internationally recognized standards for pharmaceutical quality control. The project aims to strengthen NQCL's testing capacity and support Kenya's pursuit of WHO Maturity Level 3 (ML3) for its medicines regulatory system, including the advancement of local manufacture of biologics and vaccines.
2. The detailed terms of reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: https://nqcl.go.ke(tenders) or tenders.go.ke.
3. The National Quality Control Laboratory (NQCL), invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing these services. This Request for Expressions of Interest is being conducted through national competition and is open to eligible consulting firms. Interested consultancy firm must provide information demonstrating their qualifications, including a firm profile, legal and tax status, descriptions of similar assignments and experience in comparable conditions, availability and qualifications of appropriate key staff. Consultants may associate in a joint venture or sub-consultancy arrangement to enhance their qualifications.
4. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, Mondays to Fridays from 0800 to 1700 hours (East Africa Time), excluding public holidays. P.O. Box 29726-00202 Nairobi, Kenya or via email address: procurement@nqcl.go.ke. Interested Consultants are required to continually check the National Quality Control Laboratory (NQCL) Website https://nqcl.go.ke for any additional information or clarification that may arise before the submission date.

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5. Applicants are required to bid through the official Kenya e-Government Procurement (e-GP) portal so as to be received on or before: 19th November 2026 at 10.00 Hours East African Time (EAT).
6. Expressions of Interest must be prepared in English Language.
7. The bid documents will be opened on the same day through the e-GP platform, immediately after closure. Bidders' designated representatives are invited to attend at The National Quality Control Laboratory (NQCL) boardroom.
8. Following evaluation of the EOIs, qualified firms will be shortlisted and invited to submit technical and financial proposals in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act, 2015, and the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Regulations, 2020.



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