

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)
REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES)

MALI
Agroforestry Technical Assistance Facility
ComaFruits “Forotigui - Djigui”¹

Agroforestry and skills development

Financing Agreement reference: Grant No. 5700155002602

Project ID No.: P-Z1-AAD-005

This Request for Expression of Interest follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) that was published in the African Development Bank Group’s Internet website on 30 November 2016.

Moringa Partnership S.A.S. has received a grant from the African Development Bank’s Fund for African Private Sector Assistance to finance the support of micro and small businesses, small-scale farmers, small producers, associations, cooperatives and other support groups that are part of a value chain of large-scale agro-forestry companies that will benefit from investments to be made by Moringa Mauritius Fund. The support includes promoting and introducing new agro-forestry techniques, development of new value chains, strengthening capabilities of producer organizations and enhancing market access.

The Agroforestry Technical Assistance Facility (ATAF) of the Moringa Partnership S.A.S intends to apply part of the grant amount for a Technical Assistance with the Moringa investee ComaFruits S.A.. The goal of this Technical Assistance project **Forotigui - Djigui** is to enable the development of a supply network of diversified farms in order to improve farmers’ livelihoods and foster sustainable rural development.

1. To define a sustainable agroforestry system for ComaFruits’ outgrower network;
2. To mitigate the main constraints to production encountered by farmers, fully exploit the commercial potential of mango production, and foster the development of a sustainable mango value chain in Mali;
3. To accompany ComaFruits’s sister company SOBEMA, in the implementation of activities to support existing recycling channels and projects.

ATAF hereby invites firms to express their interest in undertaking the implementation of Component 3 of the project to support SOBEMA defining a **waste management strategy to recycle/reuse the plastic generated** by the company’s activity by joining and supporting the local waste management system.

The specific objectives of the assignment are the following:

- Provide a clear understanding of the local waste management system, including the description of all plastic recycling channels;
- Define a clear action plan to minimise the environmental impact of the plastic produced along the company’s production process.

¹ “Farmer’s hope” in Bambara, local language

The consultant is expected to undertake the assessment of SOBEMA's waste management system to obtain insights on the waste generated across the production line and the waste disposal methods used but also to define an action plan for SOBEMA to ensure that the plastic created will be reused or recycled and structure the relevant partnerships to support the company in this objective. The action plan should also detail a clear business plan for the implementation of the measures recommended. This business plan shall consider SOBEMA financial capabilities.

For the proposed assignment, the consulting firm selected must demonstrate the following:

- Proven track record and technical expertise on solid waste management, and preferably plastic waste management;
- Knowledge on best practices and innovative approaches for sustainable solid waste management and plastic recycling strategies;
- Solid working experience and network in the Malian or West African waste management in addition to a permanent regional presence;
- Full proficiency in French and Bambara; English is a plus;
- Strong track record in carrying out financial viability assessments and developing business models;

The services requested will entail the consultant(s) to be based in Mali or travel to Mali as required. The implementation period is three months, starting July 2022. The exact project schedule will be defined together with all stakeholders of the project. The firm will be responsible for implementing the activities as listed above meeting the targets outlined in the project in close coordination with the management team of Comafruit/Sobema and Moringa.

The Agroforestry Technical Assistance Facility (ATAF) now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may constitute joint ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's "*Procurement Policy for Bank Group funded operations dated October 2015*", which is available on the Bank's website at <https://www.afdb.org/>.

Interested consultants may obtain further information via email to:

asma.chemlal@common-fund.org

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by May 20, 2022 at 17:00 and mention "ATAF – ComaFruits: Component 3 – [Consultant name]". **Firms that intend to express interest may also submit their interest electronically to the email address provided below.**

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