



**Lesotho Government**



**African Development Bank**

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST  
(CONSULTING SERVICES, FIRM SELECTION)**

**KINGDOM OF LESOTHO  
e-GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PHASE I PROJECT**

Date: 08 July 2021  
Loan/ Grant No: 2100155025917  
**IFP No.: e-GOV-AfDB-0040**

1. The Government of Lesotho (GoL) has received financing from the African Development Fund (ADF) for the implementation of the Lesotho e-Government Infrastructure Phase I Project and it is intended that part of the proceeds of this financing will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for provision of consultancy services to Operationalisation of Mohale's Hoek Data Centre and Integration of the Three Government Data Centres
2. The services included under this project are:
  - a) Assessment of the three Government Data Centres for interoperability and Consolidation.
  - b) provide cost effective, value-added and an optimal network and security design for the three government data centres.
  - c) provide guidelines to ensure compliance with best practice, legal and regulatory requirements.
  - d) Defining a short, mid to long term Strategy for Government Data Center Governance and Management including consideration for Public Private Partnership in compliance with legal and regulatory requirements.
  - e) configuration and commissioning of the Mohale's Hoek data centre equipment (core switch, distribution switch, firewalls, etc.)
3. **The Ministry of Communications, Science and Technology** 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.
4. Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's Procurement Policy and Methodology

for the African Development Bank Group Funded Operations, dated October 2015, which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>.

5. Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours **08:30 to 16:00 GMT +2**, Mondays to Fridays.
6. Expressions of interest must be delivered by mail or electronically or physically in sealed envelopes clearly marked "*Expression of Interest - Provision of consultancy services for Operationalisation of Mohale's Hoek Data Centre and Integration of the Three Government Data Centres*" to the address indicated below by Friday 16 July 2021 at 12:00 Noon.

Tender Box,

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