



Lesotho Government



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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)  
(INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)

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**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTING SERVICES TO PREPARE SPECIFICATIONS, NEGOTIATE AND DRAW AN INDEFEASIBLE RIGHTS OF USE(IRU) CONTRACT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF LESOTHO (GOL) AND THE LESOTHO ELECTRICITY COMPANY (LECC) TO SUPPORT THE COMPLETION OF A 96 KM OPTIC OVERHEAD GROUND WIRE (OPGW) FIBRE NETWORK FROM ROMA (MASERU) TO THABA-TSEKA**

**KINGDOM OF LESOTHO**

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 II 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 prepare specifications, negotiate and draw an Indefeasible Right to Use (IRU) contract between Government of Lesotho (GoL) and LECC to support the completion of 96 KM Optic Overhead Ground Wire (OPGW) fibre network from Roma to Thaba-Tseka.*
2. Summary of services required under this assignment is to;
  - (a) Develop the specifications for the OPGW between from Roma to Thaba-Tseka;
  - (b) Assist GoL to prepare an Indefeasible Rights Use (IRU) contract template that will form the basis of contracts between LECC and private operators with a subsidized rate; and
  - (c) To prepare dark-fibre lease agreement for use by prospective contracts where IRUs may not be the preferred type of contract.
3. **The Ministry of Communications, Science and Technology**, now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services.
4. Interested consultants may obtain further information and detailed Terms of Reference at the address provided below during office hours **08:30 to 16:00 GMT +2**, Mondays to Fridays **N.B detailed Terms of Reference are also available on the Government of Lesotho Website at [www.gov.ls](http://www.gov.ls)** or can be requested from the following e-mail address: [abia.malefane@gov.ls](mailto:abia.malefane@gov.ls) Cc [amar.shinde@gov.ls](mailto:amar.shinde@gov.ls)

5. Expressions of interest must be delivered by mail or electronically or hand delivered in sealed envelopes clearly marked “*Expression of Interest. Provision of consultancy services to draw specifications, negotiate and draw an Indefensible Right to Use (IRU) contract between Government of Lesotho (GoL) and LECC to support the completion of 96 KM OPGW fibre network from Roma to Thaba-Tseka*” to the address indicated below by Friday 05 March 2021 at 12:00 Noon.

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