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Monrovia, Liberia

June 17, 2022

Re: PROCUREMENT OF TOOLS, INPUTS AND FERTILIZERS COCOA SEEDS AND PLANTAIN SUCKERS AND AGRO CHEMICALS

IFAD/BCRP/GC-001/21-22 IFAD/BCRP/GC-002/21-22 IFAD/BCRP/GC-003/21-22

The *Government of Liberia* has received (or in appropriate cases "has applied for") financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and intends to apply a part of the proceeds of the financing to this purchase. The use of any IFAD financing shall be subject to IFAD's approval, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the financing agreement, as well as IFAD's rules, policies and procedures. IFAD and its officials, agents and employees shall be held harmless from and against all suits, proceedings, claims, demands, losses and liability of any kind or nature brought by any party in connection with the *Building Climate Resilience Project* (BCRP).

- 1. BCRP includes an IFAD Grant of US\$ 8.840 million. The project will work towards developing a viable and sustainable smallholder cocoa Producers and Rice Producers in Bong County.
- 2. This invitation for bids (IFB) will appeared in *Inprofile Daily* newspaper on *June 17*, 2022, and on *the Ministry of Agriculture website and the Executive Mansion website*.
- 3. The purchaser now invites sealed bids from eligible entities (bidders) for the provision of **Tools**, *Inputs*, *Fertilizers*, *Cocoa seeds*, *Plantain Suckers and Agro Chemicals*, *Nine (9) Lots* for IFAD, PIU, Ministry of Agriculture Annex PMU, with in 28 days. More details on these goods and related services are provided in the schedule of requirements in this bidding document.
- 4. This IFB is open to all eligible bidders who wish to respond. Subject to restrictions noted in the bidding document, eligible entities may associate with other bidders to enhance their capacity to successfully carry out the procurement.
- 5. The goods and related services, and the contract expected to be awarded, are divided into the following lots: Lot#1-#9).
- 6. Bidding will be conducted using the **national competitive bidding** (**NCB**) method, the evaluation procedure for which is described in this bidding document, in accordance with the IFAD Procurement Handbook which is provided at <u>www.ifad.org/project-procurement</u>.

The NCB process, as described, will include a review and verification of qualifications and past performance, including a reference check, prior to the contract award.

- 7. Please note that a pre-bid conference *[will not]* be held as described in the bid data sheet (BDS), Section III of the bidding document.
- 8. Bidders interested in submitting a bid shall purchase the bidding document against payment of a non-refundable fee of *[insert amount in local currency]*. Bidding documents can be obtained by sending an e-mail or letter, giving full contact details of the bidder, to the following point of contact. This will ensure that the bidders receive updates regarding this bidding document.

Bids must be delivered to the address and in the manner specified in the bid data sheet – instructions to bidders 23.2, no later than *July 14, 2022* at 1:00pm.

- 9. Bidders shall be aware that late bids will not be accepted under any circumstance and will be returned unopened at the written request and cost of the bidder. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security or bid-securing declaration (as required) in the manner and amount specified in the bid data sheet.
- 10. Please note that electronic bids *shall not* be accepted.

Yours sincerely,

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