



**WORLD BANK/IFAD PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION UNIT  
MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA  
Rural Economic Transformation Project (RETRAP)  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor LIBSUCO Building Japan Freeway (Formerly Somalia Drive),  
Gardnersville – Monrovia, Liberia**

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## **Request for Expression of Interest**

**Credit No./Project No.:** P175263

**Name of Assignment: Recruitment of Individual Consultant: Agribusiness Specialist**

**Ref:** LR-PMU-MOA-420597-CS-INDV

**Location of Assignment: Program Management Unit of the Ministry of Agriculture,  
Somalia Drive, Gardnersville, Monrovia, Liberia**

**Contract Duration: 12 months with option to extend based on satisfactory  
performance**

**Reports to: National Program Coordinator**

### **Recruitment: National Background**

The Government of Liberia, through the Ministry of Agriculture, has received a support from the World Bank, for the Rural Economic Transformation Project (RETRAP). The RETRAP seeks to increase income of rural poor households through sustainable agricultural livelihood enhancements and improved rural access and agricultural marketing infrastructure services. As its focus, the project will support the value chains of cassava, rice, rubber, Poultry & Pig husbandry Vegetables. The project will be implemented in all of the 15 counties.

### **Scope of Services**

The consultant will seek to actualize the commercialization objective of RETRAP with particular focus on value chains and agribusiness development, providing support to the identification and /or development of investment operations and related support policies.

The Ministry of Agriculture now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in performing the Services. Interested Individual Consultants should provide **updated Curriculum Vitae (CV) and relevant documents** indicating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The shortlisting criteria include the following:

- ✓ Advanced University degree in Agribusiness Management, Business Administration, Agricultural Economics, Economic Policy Management,

- ✓ Agricultural Development, Development Economics with a specialization in Agriculture, or closely related field.
- ✓ A minimum of ten (10) years of relevant experience related to agriculture and rural development, preferably related to agricultural enterprise development.
- ✓ Demonstrable successful experience in farmer mobilization and linking small holder farmers to substantive markets.
- ✓ Practical experience in farming is a strong advantage
- ✓ Relevant experience in conducting agricultural/rural sector subsector analytical studies, and /or in planning, design, supervision of agricultural and rural investment operations, including elaboration of agribusiness investment feasibility studies, food chain analyses/agricultural market studies in developing countries.
  
- ✓ Experience working with multilateral donor agencies (African Development Bank, World Bank, USAID, etc).
  
- ✓ Experience with international development market-oriented programs is desirable.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following websites:

- a) [www.emansion.gov.lr](http://www.emansion.gov.lr)
- b) [https://vacancies & Career Opportunities | Ministry of Agriculture \(www.moa.gov.lr\)](https://vacancies & Career Opportunities | Ministry of Agriculture (www.moa.gov.lr))

The attention of interested individual Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” dated July 2016, revised November 2017, and August 2018, setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest. Please refer to *paragraph 3.17 of the Procurement Regulations* on conflict of interest related to this assignment which is available on the Bank’s website at <http://projects-beta.worldbank.org/en/projects-operations/products-and-services/brief/procurement-new-framework>

An Individual Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Individual Consultant Selection (ICS)** method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Expressions of interest must be submitted electronically in a format that cannot be altered (pdf format is preferred) to the email address below by e-mail by **13<sup>th</sup> May 2024 @ 5:00pm local time.**

**Note:** All Expression of Interests MUST include at least three (3) references with their names, telephone numbers and email addresses; curriculum vitae(cv) with copy of educational credentials (**NOTARIZED**) be submitted to the below email address:

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 National Program Coordinator)  
 Project Implementation Unit (PIU)  
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