

**University Of Abuja**  
**(Office of the Registrar)**  
**P.M.B, 117, Abuja – Nigeria**

**Expression of Interest for the Selection of a Transaction Advisor for Public Private Partnership (PPP) Projects in the University of Abuja**

**1.0 Introduction**

The University of Abuja requests for Expression of Interest (EIO) from interested firms for the selection of a Transaction Advisor for the development of PPP projects.

The University is desirous to assess the strategic fit, achievability, value for money and affordability for the procurement of investors to finance, maintain and operate projects on its main campus. The procurement shall follow the National Policy on Public Private Partnership (PPP) published by the Infrastructure Concession Regulatory Commission (ICRC).

The University now seeks Transaction Advisors to provide a broad scope of advisory services to assist in the procurement of the PPP arrangement. The University, therefore, invites qualified Transaction Advisors to express interest in providing such services.

**2.0 Towns of Reference**

**The services to be provided include but not limited to the following:**

Completion of project preparation, including PPP transaction structuring;

**Market sounding to confirm decisions on scope, structuring and timing of transaction;**

- Financial analysis and modeling;
- Upgrade the feasibility studies and any other report to Outline Business Case (OBC) in line with the National Policy on PPP;
- Assistance in designing and managing the procurement and evaluation process and support to University Project Delivery Team (PDT) during the process;
- Analysis of enabling legal frame work;
- Readiness for market assessment;
- Preparation of information memorandum and tender documentation;
- Support marketing;
- Organization and preparation, where necessary of supporting documentation to be made available to Bidders (including technical analysis);
- Assistance in negotiation with one or more parties prior to contract award; and
- Management of other advisory inputs and overall management of the advisory team to ensure a successful transaction

Transaction Advisers may consist of a single firm or a consortium of firms with the financial legal, technical, PPP and other specialist expertise required to successfully bring the transaction to a financial close. In the case of a consortium, the consortium members must jointly submit the required information and must also clearly identify one of the firms comprising the consortium as the lead Transaction Adviser. The lead Transaction Adviser will have primary responsibility for liaising with University of Abuja Project Delivery Team (PDT) and ICRC and for managing the consortium's advisory inputs as a whole.

Firms comprising the consortium with specialized expertise in the finance legal and technical fields should be identified, respectively as the Finance Transaction Advisor, Legal transaction Adviser, and Technical Transaction Advisor. Preference will be accorded to local firms.

### **3.0 Information Required for Expressions Interest (EOI)**

**Expressions of Interest (EOIs) from prospective Advisor should specify the following information as the basis for Pre-qualification;**

- Certificate of incorporation;
- Profile of firm/consortium including ownership structure and role of each corporate entity with full contact details including email of lead firms;
- CV and copies of credentials of key personnel;
- Details and evidence of experience advising government agencies in the structuring of PPP transactions;
- Evidence of successful closing of PPP concessions particularly in the Education Sector;
- Financial Capacity Profile of the firm and Evidence of current Tax Clearance;
- Current PENCOT Compliance Certificate;
- Evidence of current ITF contributions;
- Submission of three (3) years Audited Accounts;
- Evidence of Registration in the National Database of Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers with the BPP;
- A sworn affidavit certifying that the documents submitted are not only genuine but correct, none of the company Director(s) have been convicted by any law court, the company is not bankrupt, and none of the officers of the University of Abuja or Bureau for Public Procurement (BPP) is a former or present Director of the company.

### **4.0 Submission of Documents**

Expressions of Interest must be submitted in two (2) copies (one original and one copy) in a sealed envelope clearly marked “**Expression of Interest for the Selection of Transaction Advisor**” and shall be deposited in the Tender Box located in the Reception Hall of the Senate

Building, Main Campus, Airport Road, Abuja **on or before 12 pm on Monday 18th of April 2016.**

### **5.0 Opening of Documents**

All EOIs will be opened immediately after the deadline at the Reception Hall of the Senate Building, Main Campus, Airport Road, Abuja at 12 pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> of April 2016 in the presence of all the interested firms in attendance.

### **6.0 Important Notice**

- Only shortlisted firms will be invited for further consideration.
- Late submissions shall be rejected.
- This advertisement shall not be construed as a commitment on the part of University to appoint any consultant nor shall it entitle any consultant submitting documents to claim any indemnity from the University.
- The University reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and take final decision on any of the document received in your proposals.
- Interested applicants may obtain further information from the Procurement Unit, C/O C127 Senate Building, University of Abuja, Main Campus, Abuja from 9.00am to 3.00 pm, Monday through Friday (except public holidays).
- Expression of interest through email or fax shall not be entertained.

**Signed**

**Mrs. Rifkatu Hoshen Swanta**

**Registrar**