

## **Request for Expression of Interest for Solar Street Lightening of Identified Locations Within Ilorin Metropolis and Major Local Government Areas Axis of Kwara State**

### **(1) Introduction and Background**

Kwara State is rapidly growing not only in population but also in economic activities. This growth goes hand in hand with the development of required infrastructure such as roads and street lights to facilitate movement and circulation within the State and also to other parts of the country. In addition to ensuring the security of lives and property of its citizens, development of these infrastructures will also make different businesses viable and productive hence contributing to the improvement of living standards of the citizens of Kwara State.

Whilst the State is making tremendous effort in improving road network, it is the intention of the Kwara State Government to make the streetlight sub sector developed and self-sustaining through improvement of its management especially by using the energy efficient methods.

Given the above context, the KWSG, via its Public Private Partnership (PPP) Bureau (herein “KP3 Bureau”) invites Expression of Interest from private companies for the concession and the operation and maintenance of its streetlight infrastructure (existing and new assets) via a Public Private Partnership Model.

### **(2) Current Status**

The State is evidently under-lit. Taking the Ilorin metropolis as an example, of the 26 major roads networks with streetlights assets covering 74.2 km, assets covering only 21.6 km (29.1%) are working partially or satisfactorily. Most of the areas outside the Ilorin Metropolis are worse lit.

Taking this further, a thorough environmental scan was conducted to determine the number of functioning and non-functioning poles, identify new locations where street lights are to be deployed, existing street lights poles, most effective model of sustainability of asset etc.

The outcome of the environmental scan was the development of a Street light PPP Concept Note and the conclusion for the project to be implemented through a 2-step Concession: (Finance-Build/Renovate & Operation and Management).

### **(3) Proposed Scope of Development**

KWSG’s preferred solution is a solar-powered street lighting system. The choice of solar energy for this project is based on long term outlook for the sake of the environment and the future budgetary impacts.

**(4) Next Steps**

Interested Firm(s)/Consortium (ia) should review the full EOI on the project page on the KP3 Bureau website (at [www.kwarapp.gov.ng/open-bids.html](http://www.kwarapp.gov.ng/open-bids.html)) for further details on Proposed Scope of Development and the submission requirements.

The final deadline for Step 1 submissions no later than **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> of November, 2015**.

Only complete proposals submitted by the stipulated deadline shall be evaluated.