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WATER SECTOR TRUST FUND, KENYA

Water and Livelihoods Programme in Refugee, Host and Other Vulnerable Communities of Kenya

CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

SUPPORT TO WATER AND PUBLIC SANITATION PROJECTS IN TURKANA WEST

The Water Sector Trust Fund (WSTF) was established under the Water Act, 2016, as a water sector financing institution with the mandate to provide conditional and unconditional grants to counties, and assist in financing the development and management of water services in marginalised or underserved areas. Previously, the WSTF was known as the Water Services Trust Fund, a state corporation established under the Water Act, 2002.

WSTF has received funds from Government of Denmark through DANIDA under the '*Water and Livelihoods Programme in Refugee, Host and Other Vulnerable Communities of Kenya*.' The expected outcome is: 'Enhanced water resources management and investments in Turkana West and selected ASAL counties for improved and sustained access by communities and households to water and sanitation for their domestic and productive needs.'

The funds under this grant are to support **eligible entities**, which may be NGOs, CBOs, Companies, County Government, Water Service Providers, Water Service Boards, or a consortium of these entities, to implement water supply, sanitation and water resources management activities in Turkana West, that will benefit host communities as well as refugees.

Eligibility Requirements

To qualify for this funding, the applicant must meet the following minimum requirements:

- Be duly registered under the act pertaining to the type of organisation,
- Have duly audited records for the last three years,
- The applicant or in the case of a consortium at least one partner, must have significant experience in project (or similar) area, its social, political and environmental contexts,
- Have consulted with relevant County Authorities before submission,
- If applicant is an NGO, it must be registered by the NGO registration board,
- The (lead) applicant must demonstrate current 'Tax compliance' with the Kenya Revenue Authority,
- The applicant/s should not have outstanding issues with WSTF or any other Government of Kenya (National or County) Institutions.

Purpose of the Funding

The funding is intended for implementation of water and / or public sanitation projects aimed at achieving the following key objectives:

- a) Improvement of water resources in the area,
- b) Improvement and/or development of water infrastructure in the area,
- c) Improvement and/or development of public sanitation,
- d) Benefit resident and pastoralist host communities as well as refugees in camps and refugee settlements,
- e) Build capacity of local institutions, NGO's, CBO's and communities active in the water sector.

Funding Thresholds and Ceilings

The WSTF has set the following maximum funding ceiling of: Kshs 100 million shillings, per project including all administrative and management costs. Any organisation can participate in up to two (2) proposals, but only in one as a lead partner.

Application Procedure

First stage is an Expression of Interest/Concept Note: Applicants should access concept note format from **WSTF** website: www.waterfund.go.ke/downloads. The EOIs using the dully filled concept note shall be submitted in one hard copy and the envelope clearly marked '**WSTF Turkana West Programme**' and one soft copy in pdf to email (proposals@waterfund.go.ke) or a soft copy on a CD-ROM to the address below

The Chief Executive Officer, Water Sector Trust Fund,
CIC Plaza 1st floor, Mara road, Upper Hill
P.O. Box 49699-00100
Nairobi.

Closing Date

Only EOIs/Concepts that will be received by the Water Sector Trust Fund on or before **before 4th July 2018 at 5:00 PM EAT** shall be considered for full proposal submission. Only shortlisted applicants shall be contacted and canvassing will result to automatic disqualification.