

Call for Expression of Interest

Provision of Technical Consultation Support to Msingi East Africa

1. Introduction

Msingi is an independent industry development organization that supports the transformation of high potential industries in East Africa (Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, and Rwanda). Msingi identifies high-potential industries in East Africa and supports their growth through a range of initiatives such as investment in pioneer businesses, technical assistance, policy support, or development of key industry institutions.

One of Msingi's focus industries is aquaculture. Msingi believes that East Africa has a strong comparative advantage in aquaculture, with good natural water resources and climate, genetic resources, and a rapidly growing population leading to increasing demand for protein. Msingi has been working closely with industry players to support the development of the aquaculture industry since 2016.

2. Objective of this call for expression of interest

Msingi wishes to form a panel of technical experts, focused on, but not limited to, areas of expertise such as:

- Applied fish genetics
- Environmental issues in aquaculture
- Biosecurity & fish health
- Hatchery management
- Aquaculture farm management
- Aquafeed

Experts will act as a source of independent, impartial expert advice for the Msingi team, delivering knowledge, advice and smaller research assignments as needed. The nature of support from the expert can vary from request for ad hoc work or general advice to project specific support and will depend on their capabilities, expertise, availability, and engagement terms. We anticipate consultants would be engaged on a retainer basis, with the workload remaining relatively light-touch (e.g. 0.5 – 3 days/month – although this may vary based on the specific engagement agreed upon). Msingi is open to discuss this further.

This note is therefore to call for expressions of interest for retained experts to offer technical consultation support to Msingi East Africa.

3. Selection criteria

Msingi is seeking to appoint experts who best demonstrate the following attributes:

- Possess demonstrable expertise in at least one, or some, of the specialist areas (*mentioned above*).
- Possess significant experience in providing scientific or technical consultation to the aquaculture industry in any part of the world
- Preferably have some understanding of the aquaculture industry in East Africa

4. Expression of interest

If this is something that interests you/your organization, please contact the addresses below to express your interest and we will be in touch to provide additional details and advance discussions. Please include the following information in your email:

1. Name of your organization/individual
2. Curriculum Vitae
3. An overview of the basic rates offered by the consultant – at this point these rates will be treated as non-binding and can be provide as a range or presented in different ways e.g. hourly or day rates.

This request for expressions of interest will remain open until 1700Hrs East Africa Time, Friday 30th April 2021, and Msingi will accept submissions during this period. Msingi is likely to engage and select consultants within this window as Expressions of Interest are submitted.

Consultants will be selected based on discussions with individuals/organizations that best meet the criteria above.

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