



# COMMON MARKET FOR EASTERN AND SOUTHERN AFRICA (COMESA)

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

### FOR

### CONSULTANCY SERVICE TO DEVELOP THE COMESA AFLATOXIN CONTROL ACTION PLAN

#### Expression of Interest: CS/SPS-30.10/1

COMESA has received a grant from the Partnership for Aflatoxin Control in Africa (PACA) through Meridian Institute towards the cost of Regional Workshop on the Aflatoxin Challenge in Eastern and Southern Africa (conducting in March 2014 in Lilongwe Malawi) and developing a Comprehensive Regional Aflatoxin Mitigation Plan. COMESA intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this grant to eligible payments under the contract for Consultancy Services **by individual Consultants** to develop a Regional Aflatoxin Control Action Plan.

COMESA is now seeking the services of **TWO Experts** (1 Food Safety Expert , and 1 Strategic Planning and Programme Development Expert) to carry out the following tasks for a duration of 20 man days by each consultant;

- (i) Develop a strategic action plan that reflects the input received from participants at the "*Aflatoxin Challenge in Eastern and Southern Africa Workshop*"
- (ii) Prepare first draft action plan and three year implementation roadmap integrating priorities, goals and strategic actions for aflatoxin research, prevention and control in the areas of agriculture, health, and trade, with particular focus on trade.
- (iii) Circulate to COMESA and PACA Secretariats for review and comment.
- (iv) Incorporate comments and circulate revised draft to key stakeholders.
- (v) Facilitate stakeholder consultations.
- (vi) Participate in a joint review meeting/call with the PACA Secretariat and COMESA to discuss the draft Action plan.
- (vii) Work with COMESA to develop a project proposal based on the key priorities.

#### Deliverables

- (i) The regional action plan and mid-term implementation roadmap document
- (ii) The notes on stakeholder consultations
- (iii) The project proposal document

The consultants will be home based although there may be a requirement to travel to the COMESA Secretariat where necessary.

The Consultants must have the following minimum academic qualifications:

**Expert 1: Food Safety**

- Minimum Master's Degree in Food Science or related field
- At least 8 years' experience in Food safety Development Work in Africa

**Expert 2: Strategic Planning and Programme Development**

- Minimum Master's Degree in relevant field
- At least 8 years experience in working with multiple constituencies to facilitate development of complex strategies and action plans (i.e., continent-wide, regional, country) in Africa.

CVs complete with a cover letter and copies of academic qualifications should be submitted to the address below on or before 13th November 2015 clearly specifying the position applied for:

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