**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

**(CONSULTING SERVICES)**

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**EOI NO. E/02/24/25**

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO SOLICIT SUITABLE CONSULTANTS TO DEVELOP A BANKABLE BUSINESS PLAN FOR GREAT FISH RIVER NATURE RESERVE**

The Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency (ECPTA), established and mandated in terms of the Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency Act (2 of 2010), is responsible for the management of certain protected areas in the Eastern Cape. This procurement is financed by P174097: South Africa Wildlife Conservation Bond Operation and the World Bank Procurement Regulation will be applicable.

The **ECPTA** invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required knowledge and experience to perform the Services. Interested firms must comply with the set of compliance requirements listed below. The compliance requirements stated below are project specific.Failure to meet any of the compliance requirements will lead to immediate disqualification of the bid.

**TABLE 1: SUITABILITY CRITERIA**

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| NO. | Suitability requirements  |
|  | **Company Profile** Interested firms must submit a company profile describing the organisation, its primary business activity, work done/experience (particularly in developing commercialisation strategies, business development strategies/ plans and its clientele. The firms must demonstrate that:1. Their core business area shall be relevant to the assignment.
2. Must have strong technical, managerial, and financial status and must have a track record in the consulting industry.
3. Team Composition
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The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” July 2016 [*November 2020}* (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

Terms of Reference for the assignment are attached to this request and will be made available from Friday **07 June 2024** “**FREE OF CHARGE**”. Documents can be downloaded from the ECPTA website: [www.visiteasterncape.co.za/corporate/procurement/mini-bids](http://www.visiteasterncape.co.za/corporate/procurement/mini-bids)

Sealed Quotations endorsed on the envelope with the Tenderer’s name and the Quotation Number shall be deposited in the formal Tender Box situated in the ECPTA offices at 17-25 Oxford Street, Corner of Fleet and Oxford Street, East London CBD, East London or posted so as to reach The Chief Executive Officer, P.O. Box 11235, Southernwood, East London, 5213 in sufficient time for it to be placed in the Tender Box before the closing time of **11h00** on the closing date i.e. **2nd of July 2024**.

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