



## SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)

Procurement Name: **Recruitment of an Individual Consultant, Procurement Specialist to support the MCA-Benin II Procurement Direction**

Project Name: Millennium Challenge Account-Benin II (MCA-Benin II)  
Type of Notice: Request for Qualifications - Individual Consultant (IC)

### General Information

Country: Benin

City/Locality: Cotonou

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## Main Text:

1. The Government of Benin (the "Government") and the United States of America, through the Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC"), have entered into a Millennium Challenge Account Compact of approximately US \$ 375 million ("MCC Funding") to promote poverty reduction and economic growth in Benin (the "Compact"). The Government, acting through MCA-Benin II (the "MCA Entity"), intends to use part of the MCC Funding to eligible payments under the contract for which this Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") is launched. Any payments made by the MCA Entity in accordance with the proposed contract will be subject, in all respects, to the terms of the Compact and related documents, including restrictions on the use of the MCC Funding and disbursement conditions of the MCC Funding. No party other than the Government and the MCA Entity will obtain any right under the Compact or have any right in relation to the amounts of the MCC Funding.
2. The Benin power program consists of four (4) projects: (i) Policy Reform and Institutional Strengthening Project; (ii) Electricity Generation Project; (iii) Electricity Distribution Project; and (iv) Off-grid Electricity Access Project. The objective of the programme is to increase the productivity and production for businesses, generate more economic opportunities for households and improve the capacity to provide public and social services by improving the quantity and quality of power supply. The Compact will be executed during for a period of five years after the entry into force that intervened on June 22, 2017.

MCA-Benin II now invites eligible individual consultants to submit a letter of motivation, a Curriculum Vitae (CV) and a financial proposal for the provision of individual consultant services as a Procurement Specialist to support the MCA-Benin II Procurement Direction.

3. The contract term is **six (06) calendar months**.
4. The qualifications required from the Consultant are indicated in the Terms of Reference contained in the Request for Qualifications documents. They include among other the following:
  - have at least a BAC + 5 degree in public procurement, public administration, finance, civil engineering, law or equivalent diploma;
  - minimum of ten (10) years of professional experience in the development, management and administration of public procurement in systems/institutions using international procurement standards;
  - evidence of two proven specific experiences of three years each acquired with International Financial Institutions or external aid organizations, such as the World Bank or the European Union;
  - minimum of three years specific experience as a Procurement Specialist in the framework of Projects / Programs funded by the Government of the United States of America and a good command of the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) procurement procedures; knowledge of the contracts of the International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC) or good practical skills with major works contracts;
  - have specific experience in the implementation of procurement in the electricity sector;
  - have practical work skills with Microsoft Office applications (Word, Excel PowerPoint, Ms Project);
  - have organizational and time management skills;

- be responsible, have a flexible attitude and be able to work with minimum supervision;
  - demonstrate through the CV, successful completion of major Projects / Programs on time and within the budget;
  - have excellent written and oral communication skills in French; working knowledge of English is highly desirable.
5. This RFQ is open to all eligible Individual Consultants, as defined in the MCC Program Procurement Guidelines (PPG), available on the MCC website ([www.mcc.gov](http://www.mcc.gov)), who wish to participate. The Individual consultants cannot associate in groups or subcontract the services.
  6. This RFQ follows the Compact General Procurement Notice No. 4, published on dgMarket on **April 12, 2019**, in the UN Development Business Online ("UNDB") on **April 16, 2019**, on the MCA Entity website - [www.mcabenin2.bj](http://www.mcabenin2.bj) - on **April 15, 2019** and in the local newspapers "La Nation" and "Le Matinal" of **April 18 and 25, 2019**.
  7. The Consultant shall be selected through the Individual Consultant selection procedures as specified in the MCC PPG (P.1. B.3.8.).
  8. Interested consultants should express their interest by sending a message (with the subject line: "**Recruitment of an Individual Consultant, Procurement Specialist to support the MCA-Benin II Procurement Direction**") to the email address of the Procurement Agent: [info-benin@charleskendall.com](mailto:info-benin@charleskendall.com) and by communicating all full contact details.
  9. The Qualification documents must be submitted by e-mail as indicated in the letter of invitation.
  10. The deadline for receipt of Qualification Documents is **May 14, 2019** at **10:00** local time in Cotonou, Benin.

**Acting National Coordinator**



The image shows a handwritten signature in blue ink over a circular official stamp. The stamp contains the text "CHALLENGE ACCOUNT BENIN II" around the perimeter and "Le Coordonnateur National" in the center.

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