

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT**

<b>Procurement Name:</b>	<b>Monitoring Data Collection</b>
<b>Project Name:</b>	<b>Millennium Challenge Account Benin II (MCA-Benin II)</b>
<b>Procurement Method:</b>	<b>Sole Source Selection</b>
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<b>City/Locality:</b>	Cotonou
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<b>Procurement Code:</b>	79330000 Statistical Services 79311000 Survey Services 72316000 Data Analysis

1. The Millennium Challenge Corporation ("MCC") and the government of Benin (the "Government" or "GoB") have entered into a Millennium Challenge Compact for Millennium Challenge Account assistance to help facilitate poverty reduction through economic growth in Benin (the "Compact") in the amount of three hundred seventy-five million (375 000 000) United States Dollars, ("MCC Funding").
2. MCC's funding is appropriated by the U.S. Congress and obligated to the compact up-front, with no incremental or partial funding. So, when a contract is signed with an

MCA Entity, money is already available to the MCA Entity and, for most contracts, invoices are paid directly to Contractors/Consultants/Suppliers by the US Treasury.

3. 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 program 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 Program will be executed over a period of five (5) years upon the Compact Entry into Force (EIF). The Power Compact of Benin entered into force on June 22, 2017. To face the challenges of the COVID pandemic, the Compact has been extended until June 22, 2023.
4. MCA-Benin II hereby gives notice of their intent to award a contract to the Benin National Institute of Statistics and Demography (INStAD), Airport Road, 01 BP 323, Cotonou, Benin, on a sole source basis utilizing the MCC Program Procurement Guidelines (PPG) procedures. In accordance with Clause P1.B.3.15, Sole Source Selection (SSS) is contracting without competition and may be an appropriate method under the circumstances set forth below:

“Sole source selection may be appropriate only if it presents a clear advantage over competition: (a) for tasks that represent a natural continuation of previous work carried out by the firm or individual (see paragraph P1.B.3.16), (b) in emergency cases, such as in response to disasters and for consulting services required during the period of time immediately following the emergency, or (c) when only one firm or individual is qualified or has an experience of exceptional worth for the assignment. Lack of time to conduct a competitive procurement is not an acceptable justification to use SSS.”

5. MCA-Bénin II has determined that the tasks represent a natural continuation of previous work carried out by INStAD and that INStAD is the only firm qualified for the assignment. Moreover, MCA-Benin II estimates that INStAD has experience of exceptional worth for the assignment and no other supplies or services will satisfy MCA Benin II’s requirements from any other supplier for the reasons stated below.
6. Created by Order No. 73-72 of October 16, 1973, as amended by Decree No. 97-168 of April 7, 1997, the National Institute of Statistics of Benin (INSAE) is a public establishment of a social and scientific nature. Decree No. 2021 – 523 of October 13, 2021 modified the statutes of the Institute, now called the National Institute for Statistics and Demography (INStAD). It is governed by the provisions of the aforementioned Decree, Law No. 2020-20 of September 2, 2020, on the creation, organization and operation of public enterprises in the Republic of Benin and the Uniform Act of OHADA relating to the right of commercial companies and the economic interest grouping. The National Institute of Statistics and Demography is responsible for coordinating all development, production, use, dissemination and archiving activities of official statistics in Benin.
7. INStAD has conducted several surveys and studies to the satisfaction of MCA-Benin II and MCC, and already has pertinent data on the Beninese Electricity Company (Société

Bénoise d'Énergie Électrique (SBEE)), which is the sole supplier of electrical energy in Benin. This includes:

- ✓ Integrated Modular Survey on Households Living Conditions;
- ✓ General Census of Enterprises;
- ✓ Willingness To Pay Surveys in the Energy Sector;
- ✓ SBEE Staff Satisfaction Survey;
- ✓ Baseline data collection for the MCA-Benin II Monitoring and Evaluation Plan.

INStAD is the main statistical authority in the national statistical system and the main producer of official statistics in Benin and has the required human resources skills to carry out this assignment.

As part of the work to refine the Monitoring and Evaluation Plan of the MCA-Benin II Program, MCA-Benin II carried out two baseline studies, namely: (i) Survey of SBEE staff and (ii) Survey to collect baseline data on the indicators retained in the program monitoring-evaluation plan.

These two studies conducted by INSAE/INStAD made it possible to define the reference values for the indicators concerned.

The current study aims at collecting follow-up data on the indicators included in the two baseline studies.

8. The Contract to be awarded includes the services listed below, to be delivered within a period of eight (08) months, for an amount of circa USD 320,000 (1 USD=550 FCFA), subject to final contract negotiations between INStAD and MCA-Benin II.

The mission has two parts, namely:

- (i) Production of data and indicators from administrative sources;
- (ii) Production of data and indicators by survey.

#### (i) Data from administrative sources

The Consultant will visit the thirty-nine (39) SBEE's executing agencies producing the said data to:

- Identify primary sources of data;
- Appreciate the existence of primary data sources which can be registers, files, documents, databases, etc.
- Assess the quality and completeness of the primary or secondary data available and give an opinion on their usability for the calculation of the values achieved by the performance indicators;
- Propose and validate the methodology for collecting and calculating the reference values of the indicators;
- Collect the required data, build a database to calculate the values achieved by the targeted indicators;
- Make recommendations for improving the environment of indicators and their systematic production.

(ii) Survey data

The consultant will conduct a survey to collect and calculate the values reached by the indicators, whose data cannot be obtained administratively. To this end, the consultant will propose an appropriate technical and methodological approach for carrying out this survey.

The consultant will also conduct a survey to collect and calculate data based on the values reached by Energy efficiency indicators from twenty (20) public entities and ten (10) industrial firms, audited by MCA-Bénin II.

9. This notice is not an invitation to submit proposals. Interested Consultants shall submit a response by e-mail to the contact below by **May, 04, 2022**:

Procurement Agent of MCA-Benin II,  
[info-benin@charleskendall.com](mailto:info-benin@charleskendall.com)

10. The Consultant shall support his response with clear and convincing evidence to clearly be able to provide the services outlined in this notice. Any responses received will only be considered for the purpose of determining whether to conduct a competitive procurement in lieu of the Sole Source Selection procedure described in this notice, and such determination shall be made at the sole discretion of MCA-Benin II.
11. The Consultant must have at least three (03) prior experiences of data collection from administrative sources in Africa, preferably two (02) in Benin and must have carried out at least three (03) similar surveys in Africa, as called for in this Notice.
12. All responses must be accompanied by the full contact details.



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