GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

NILE BASIN INITIATIVE (NBI) – NILE EQUATORIAL LAKES SUBSIDIARY ACTION PROGRAM (NELSAP)

MULTINATIONAL LAKES EDWARD AND ALBERT INTEGRATED FISHERIES AND WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PROJECT (LEAF II)

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1. The Nile Equatorial Lakes Equatorial Lakes Subsidiary Action Program (NELSAP) in Rwanda, through the Nile Basin Initiative (NBI), has received an US\$ 8.1 million Grant from the Global Environment Facility (GEF) with the African Development Bank (AfDB) and the African Development (ADF) as the GEF executing agencies. The Grant is to finance the *Multinational Lakes Edward and Albert Integrated Fisheries and Water Resources Management Project* (*LEAF II*), which is a transboundary project shared between the Democratic Republic of Congo and the Republic of Uganda, with a 5-year implementation period from July 2016 – June 2021. The AfDB/ADF is also financing the national components of the project through a UA 6 million grant to DR Congo and a UA 5 million loan to Uganda. The project's regional coordination office is located at the NELSAP Coordination Unit in Kigali (Rwanda), with national project offices in Fort Portal (Uganda), and Bunia and Butembo (DR Congo).

2. The principal objective of this project is to *sustainably utilize the fisheries and allied natural resources of the Lakes Edward and Albert Basin through harmonized legal framework and policies.* The project aims to address major environmental threats to the transboundary Lakes Edward and Albert ecosystems, with a sector goal of poverty reduction and sustainable livelihoods for men and women (in the local fishing communities) and global environmental benefits in sustainable management of the natural resources.

- 3. The project has the following components:
 - (a). *Component 1: Fisheries resources development and management* to address impediments to achieving sustainable fisheries management of the two lakes.
 - (b). *Component 2: Integrated water resources management* to address the interlinked challenges of poverty and a deteriorating natural resource base in the lakes basin, and improve the productive potential and resilience of natural resources and communities.
 - (c). *Component 3: Project management and coordination* to strengthen and formalize coordination capacities of NELSAP and the participating agencies in Uganda and DRC.

4. Procurement of goods and/or works will be in accordance with the Bank's Rules of Procedure for the Procurement of Goods and Works *May 2008 Edition, Revised July 2012*. Acquisition of the services of Consultants will follow the Bank's Rules of Procedure for the Use of Consultants *May 2008 Edition, Revised July 2012*. Bidding documents for the different procurements are expected to be available during different times from January 2017.

Interested bidders may obtain further information, and should confirm their interest, by contacting:

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