**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**
**(CONSULTING SERVICES_FIRM)**

**SOUTH AFRICA**
STRENGTHENING PAFA AND PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT RESILIENCE IN AFRICA (SPRA) PROJECT

THE STATUS OF PAO AND PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (PFM) INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN 24 TARGET COUNTRIES

Public Financial Management (PFM)

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The Pan African Federation of Accountants (PAFA) has received financing from the African Development Bank toward the cost of the Strengthening PAFA And Public Financial Management Resilience in Africa (SPRA) Project and intends to apply part of the agreed amount for this grant to payments under the contract for Consulting Services (Firm).

The services included under this project are to undertake a Study on the Status of PAO and Public Financial Management (PFM) Institutional Development in 24 Targeted Countries using the Confederation of Asian and Pacific Accountants (CAPA) Maturity ModelTM, with extended assessment of PFM engagement, gender mainstreaming, and additional PAO development dimensions and to reassess six countries in 2028 to determine progress. The assignment will be completed in two phases:

- Baseline Assessment (2026): Six (6) months, including inception, data collection, analysis, validation, and finalisation.
- Follow-Up Assessment (2028): Three (3) months, including reassessment, analysis, and reporting.

PAFA now invites eligible Consulting Firms to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested firms must provide a statement of capability and relevant experience indicating that they are qualified to perform the services.(i) information detailing the company's existence and areas of expertise (ii) list of similar assignments and experience in similar conditions, (iii) list of overall permanent and temporary staff in fields related to the assignment (iv) evidence of past performance (v) any other relevant information to support the application.

- Consultants may constitute joint-ventures to enhance their chances of qualification.

The Consulting Firm must demonstrate:

- Experience conducting institutional diagnostics, baseline studies, or capacity assessments in the accountancy or governance sector.
- Experience applying the CAPA Maturity Model or comparable diagnostic frameworks.

- Proven experience working with PAOs, including understanding of PAO roles, governance, education pathways, quality assurance, ethics, investigation & discipline, and public interest responsibilities.
- Experience working in multiple African countries, with strong preference for experience in TSF-eligible and francophone countries.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's ***"Procurement Framework for Bank Group Funded Operations"*** dated 2015, which is available on the Bank's website at: https://www.afdb.org/en/projects-and-operations/procurement/new-procurement-policy.
A Consultant will be selected under the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method as set out in the AfDB Procurement Framework.

Interested consultants may obtain further information and detailed Terms of Reference at the address or website below.

Expressions of Interest must be submitted electronically through this link Application link
by **14 April 2026 at 17:00 hours SAST** and mention "**Expression of Interest for The Status of PAO and Public Financial Management (PFM) Institutional Development In 24 Target Countries"**.

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