

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

SOUTH AFRICA

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

**TO UNDERTAKE A COMPREHENSIVE PROGRAMME TO ENHANCE AUDIT QUALITY
ON THE CONTINENT, INCLUDING TRANSLATION AND CONTEXTUALISATION OF
PAFA'S QUALITY ASSURANCE REVIEW (QAR) GUIDANCE**

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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).

PAFA has developed the Quality Assurance Review (QAR) Guidance for PAOs and Regulators to provide a structured framework for conducting audit quality assurance reviews in line with international standards and best practices. The QAR Guidance supports consistency and comparability of audit quality across African jurisdictions, clear procedures for Audit Quality Review Teams, and implementation of IFAC's Statements of Membership Obligations (SMOs), particularly SMO 1. To further enhance audit quality on the continent, PAFA intends to implement a comprehensive programme that includes:

- Translation and contextualisation of the PAFA QAR Guidance for the French environment.
- Development of a QA Reviewer Certificate (including competency framework, curriculum, syllabus, tutor and student materials).
- Translation and contextualisation of the QA Reviewer Certificate for the French environment.
- Training of Chairpersons of QAR Commissions and QA Reviewers (both English/Portuguese-speaking and French-speaking countries).
- Development of an easy-to-use tool to aid Small and Medium Practices (SMPs) in the implementation of ISQM 1 and ISA 220.
- Translation and contextualisation of the SMP tool for the French environment.
- Online dissemination workshops for the SMP tool (English and French).

The services included under this project are to produce a high-quality French version of the PAFA Quality Assurance Review (QAR) Guidance that is technically accurate, fully contextualised for Francophone Africa, and aligned with IFAC Statements of Membership Obligations (SMOs), OHADA frameworks, and local regulatory systems.

The Consulting Firm shall:

- Deliver a technically accurate translation of the QAR Guidance from English to French.
- Contextualise the translated document for Francophone Africa PAOs and regulators, including alignment with OHADA, national legislation, and professional oversight systems.
- Maintain consistency with international auditing standards and IFAC SMO requirements.
- Develop stakeholder validation mechanisms to ensure practical applicability.
- Deliver a final publication-ready French QAR Guidance in MS Word and PDF formats.

Total Assignment Duration: 5 months

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:
- At least 10 years of experience in technical translation and/or professional guidance development.
- The Consulting Firm must demonstrate expertise in Francophone African regulatory frameworks, including OHADA.
- Evidence of successful delivery of similar translation projects including quality control process and glossary development.
- Prior experience with AfDB or other international development institutions is an advantage.

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 Bank Procurement Framework.

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

Expressions of interest must be submitted electronically through this link [Application link](#) by **30 June 2026 at 17:00 hours SAST** and mention **"Expression of Interest** for the Translation and Contextualization of PAFA's Quality Assurance Review (QAR) Guidance for Francophone African PAOs and Regulators, ensuring alignment with international standards, OHADA frameworks, and local regulatory context.

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