



18th October, 2016

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR
MAPPING OF STAKEHOLDERS ON EMPLOYMENT CREATION IN THE AGRO-PROCESSING IN
NIGERIA**

1.0 BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

The Partnership for African Social and Governance Research (PASGR) with the support from Platform for Inclusive Development (INCLUDE) and other partners have come together to establish “Utafiti Sera” as a ‘process’, ‘space’, ‘platform’, ‘forum’ and a ‘vehicle’ to undertake a series of activities to inform and influence policies and programmes on employment creation in the context of inclusive growth in Nigeria. To achieve this objective, PASGR is partnering with the National Institute for Legislative Studies (NILS), National Assembly, Abuja.

The National Institute for Legislative Studies (NILS) is an organ of the National Assembly established by an Act of Parliament in 2011. It promotes and reinforces the constitutionally assigned roles and functions of parliamentary institutions through research, advocacy, teaching, networking and other related activities. This project will play a crucial role in bringing together practitioners, policy makers and researchers to build collaborative partnerships that will ensure that there are appropriate policy actions and uptake that will benefit different social groups in the country.

2.0 OBJECTIVE OF THE CONSULTANCY

- i. To identify and assess key stakeholders (institutions and individuals) with power, interest, motivation and capacity to influence employment creation policies and programmes in the context of agriculture and agro-industries in Nigeria.

3.0 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Terms of Reference of the Consultants

- i. Identify and assess key stakeholders with power, interest, motivation and capacity to influence employment creation policies and programmes in the context of agriculture and agro-industries in Nigeria;
- ii. Hold individual meetings with selected key stakeholders to brief them about Utafiti Sera and seek their availability to participate in a forum in November 2016;
- iii. Provide feedback on the draft agenda for the forum tentatively scheduled November 29, 2016 in Abuja, Nigeria. Make suggestions of potential individuals who may present during the first forum and advise on areas of focus of their presentations; and,
- iv. Participate in the forum and facilitate some sessions.

4.0 PROFILE OF THE CONSULTANT

- Advanced university degree (preferably a PhD) in Economics, Sociology, Political Science Social Science, and with demonstrable experience in policy research.
- 6 years of functionally-related professional experience.
- Technical knowledge and expertise in regard to conducting research on employment creation.
- Demonstrated capacity in providing advisory services at senior levels, with counterparts predominantly at strategic/management level;
- Demonstrated proven track record in undertaking similar work within stipulated timeframe.
- Excellent communication and influencing skills to effectively engage and coordinate with a wide range of stakeholders;
- Considerable cultural and political sensitivity and ability to meet deadlines.

5.0 SUBMISSION AND SELECTION PROCEDURE

5.1 The National Institute for Legislative Studies now invites qualified individual consultants to express their interest and provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services. To apply, please send your expression of interest with an updated and detailed CV addressed to the National Institute for Legislative Studies: adeyemi.fajingbesi@nils.gov.ng or drop 3 hard copies at the National Institute for Legislative Studies, 14/18 Danube Street Maitama, Abuja, not later than 10th November 2016.

5.2 The candidates will be selected in accordance with the procedure for the selection of individual consultants as set out in the Institute's Procurement procedures. Following this Request for Expression of Interest, a shortlist of qualified consultants will be prepared and the best qualified consultants will be invited for contract negotiations.

Signed:
MANAGEMENT