



**Call for Expression of Interest for the recruitment of a team of consultants  
for the scoping study and identification of research priorities for the non  
staple crops in West and Central Africa**

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**Recruitment of a team of consultants for the above mentioned study**  
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1. The West and Central African Council for Agricultural Research and Development (CORAF/WECARD) is implementing the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP) Pillar 4 which constitutes NEPAD's strategy for revitalizing, expanding, and reforming Africa's agricultural research, technology dissemination and adoption efforts. In this context CORAF/WECARD's objective is crafted as a broad-based agricultural productivity, competitiveness and markets sustainably improved for target groups in West and Central Africa (WCA).
2. CORAF/WECARD benefited from DFID's funding support for strengthening NARS' capacity in West and Central Africa. CORAF/WECARD is using part of this subvention to pay for the contract for recruiting a team of consultants for the scoping study and identification of research priorities for the non staple crops (industrial crops, cash crops and emerging crops).
3. The objective of the consultancy is to conduct a scoping study for the non staple crops (industrial crops, cash crops and emerging crops) in WCA to identify research priorities.
4. The Executive Director of CORAF/WECARD invites international and/or national individual consultants to express their interest in providing the services described above.
5. Individual consultants interested in this call must provide information justifying their capacity to carry out the services (brochures, references pertaining to the implementation of contracts of a similar nature and cost, CV, experience in similar studies, availability).
6. The team of consultants should be composed of the following expertise:
  - An agro-economist with a PhD or a Doctorate degree or an equivalent degree with 10 years of working experience in the domain.
  - An agronomist with a PhD or a Doctorate degree or an equivalent degree with at least 5 years of working experience in the domain.

- A specialist in horticulture with a PhD or a Doctorate degree or an equivalent degree with 5 years of working experience in the domain.

The consultants should present the following qualifications:

- Demonstrate an experience in the area of research program evaluation
- Show a very solid experience in agricultural research needs assessment and prioritization
- Have a good working knowledge of the West and Central Africa sub-region

The consultants will be selected based on the procedures defined in the Guidelines “Selection and Employment of consultants by the lenders of the World Bank”, of May, 2004, revised in October 2006, and May 2010

[www.worldbank.org/wbsite/externa/projects/procurement](http://www.worldbank.org/wbsite/externa/projects/procurement)

7. Interested consultants who meet these requirements can obtain additional information from Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm at the following address:

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8. Expression of Interests written in French and/or English in A4 format should be sent by post or by e-mail at the following address [secoraf@coraf.org](mailto:secoraf@coraf.org) with copies to [ousmane.ndoye@coraf.org](mailto:ousmane.ndoye@coraf.org) and [bouso.diop@coraf.org](mailto:bouso.diop@coraf.org) not later than 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2011 at 5:00 pm, GMT.

*The Executive Director*