

# **INVITATION TO BID**

Republic of Liberia MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE



#### SMALLHOLDER AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY ENHANCEMENT AND COMMERCIALIZATIION (SAPEC) PROJECT PROJECT No.: P-LR-A00-003 (Grant #: (5570155000001)

#### THE REFURBISHMENT OF THE CROP AND SOIL LABORATORIES OF THE CENTRAL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE (CARI)

### NCB NO.: LIB/SAPEC/PMU/WC/NCB/001/2017

## NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

1. This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that appeared in *Development Business*, with **Reference No. AFDB80-05/12** posted **11th May 2012.** 

2. The Government of Liberia received a grant from the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program (GAFSP) and a loan from the African Development Fund toward reducing rural poverty and household food insecurity by increasing income for smallholder farmers and rural entrepreneurs particularly women, youths and the physically challenged. The Government of Liberia intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments under the Contract for the **Refurbishment of the Crop and Soil Laboratories of the Central Agriculture Research Institute (CARI) in Suakoko, Bong County.** 

- 3. The Program Management Unit (PMU) of the Ministry of Agriculture now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified construction companies for the **Refurbishment of the Crop and Soil** Laboratories of the Central Agriculture Research Institute (CARI) in Suakoko, Bong County.
- 4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the Smallholder Agricultural Productivity Enhancement and Commercialization (SAPEC) Project (Attention: Project Coordinator, William Kawalawu, email: <u>wkawalawu@moa.gov.lr</u> with copy to <u>aboimah-porte@moa.gov.lr</u> and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below from 0900 hours 1600 hours each working day;

5. A complete set of Bidding Documents in ENGLISH may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written Application to the address below at the offices of the Smallholder Agricultural Productivity Enhancement and Commercialization (SAPEC) Project for a non-refundable fee of One Hundred United States Dollars (USD 100.00). The method of payment will be by cash at the PMU offices located at Fendell, Montserrado County, Liberia.

6. Bidding will be conducted through **National Competitive Bidding** (**NCB**) in accordance with the African Development Bank's *Rules and Procedures for Procurement of Goods and Works* (May 2008 Edition, Revised July 2012) and is open to all bidders from eligible Regional and Non-Regional member countries, as defined in the Guidelines. The provisions in the Instructions to Bidders and in the General

Conditions of Contract are the provisions of the African Development Bank Standard Bidding Document: Procurement of Goods or Procurement of Works

7. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **December 15, 2017 at the hour of 2:00 PM local time.** Electronic bidding **WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.** Late bids will be **rejected**.

8. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend in person at the address below at the **Main Conference Room of the PMU** on **December 15, 2017 at the hour of 2:00 PM local time.** 

The address referred to above is:

Attention: Project Coordinator Smallholder Agricultural Productivity Enhancement and Commercialization (SAPEC) Project Program Management Unit Ministry of Agriculture Annex Fendell, Montserrado Republic of Liberia