

United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

Call for Expressions of Interest for Cooperation Partners for Agreement of Cooperation

Catalysing Low Carbon Transport in Kenya: Developing Sustainable Urban Mobility Strategies

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1. Introduction

UN-Habitat is working to promote sustainable urban mobility as an important instrument of planned urban development, improving living conditions of all, reducing poverty and protecting the environment. UN-Habitat is also implementing a component of the 'Support to Low Carbon Climate Resilient Development for Poverty Reduction in Kenya" Project. This component termed "Catalysing Low Carbon Transport in Kenya" aims, among other things at developing a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan or Strategy for selected Urban Area(s) in Kenya. Preliminary consultations have led to the identification of urban areas in Kiambu County as a potential location for developing a sample Urban Mobility Strategy or Plan. This choice has been informed also by recent developments, which has seen efforts being made towards establishing a consultative forum on transport, combining the different counties in the Nairobi Metropolitan Area (NMA) and emerging ideas to establish a Metropolitan Transport Authority for the Nairobi Metropolitan Regions. Developing a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan or Strategy in this context is expected to demonstrate how fast-urbanising smaller towns in the vicinity of larger cities can benefit from a better planned approach to improve *accessibility* of people to goods, services, places of employment, amenities and overall to urban opportunities.

2. Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP)

UN-Habitat invites Expressions of Interest from, academic or research institutions; Not-for –Profit Organizations; Governmental and Inter-Governmental organisations to develop a Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan for a selected urban area, most likely in Kiambu County. Key principles underlying the development of this plan includes:

- 1) Participatory and consensus driven approach: developed in participation with all stakeholders including, people with an emphasis of marginalized and vulnerable groups, businesses, governments (county and national including the Kenya National Transport and Safety Authority), transport service providers; road construction and maintenance agencies;
- 2) Evidence based and results orientated: The SUMP is expected to be developed on the basis of reliable available and derived data such as the current modal share of transport (walking, cycling, motor cycle, *boda- bodas* car and public transport), street features including space for walking and cycling, parking. The process of SUMP should review existing plans relating to transport improvements including ongoing initiatives supported by external agencies such as the World Bank. The SUMP objectives should provide clear indicative metrics; e.g the increase in modal share of cycling and public transport; reduction in number of serious accidents.
- 3) Implementable and Action orientated: The SUMP should provide indicative budgets for the Improvements required and time frames setting out responsibilities of actors including the responsibilities for monitoring and evaluation.

Overall, the methodology for development of SUMPs will be based on UN-Habitat's tools such as the Rapid Assessment Tool for Urban Mobility (TRAM) and the Urban Poor Accessibility Assessment Tool



The EOI should contain, but not be limited to the following:

- i. Overall experience of the organization in the area of BRT;
- ii. A short conceptual proposal on how the organisation plans to develop and implement this initiative;
- iii. The support/ contribution the organization is willing to make including, cash and in kind; (contribution in terms of staff time, office space and equipment and other support in cash and inkind should be expressed in monetary terms; in-kind contribution can include Masters level students assigned to undertake SUMP related tasks as a part of their course/ project work requirements)
- iv. Copies of statement of annual budget and annual reports of the previous 5 years;
- v. Copy of two latest audited reports, and
- vi. Governance and organizational structure; experience and qualifications of key professional staff and infrastructure facilities of the organization.

3. Budget

UN-Habitat will contribute financial resources to the tune of USD 25,000 towards this Agreement of Cooperation (only for Academic institutions, Not for Profit, Governmental and Inter-Governmental Organisations)

4. Overall Timeframe

The work outlined in this EOI is scheduled to commence by 20 January 2015 and completed within six months .

5. Submission Requirements and Guidelines

Expression of Interest must be delivered in electronic format no later than **15 January 2015** to the e-mail address given below:

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6. Contact Information

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7. Other

Please note that this EOI notice does not constitute a solicitation. UN-Habitat reserves the right to change or cancel this requirement at any time in the Expressions of Interest/or solicitation process.



Submitting a reply to an EOI does not guarantee that a Cooperation Partner will be considered for receipt of the solicitation when issued and only Cooperation Partners who are deemed qualified by UN-Habitat upon completion of evaluation of submission, will receive the final solicitation document.