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AFRICAN COURT ON HUMAN AND PEOPLES' RIGHTS COUR AFRICAINE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME ET DES PEUPLES

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (REOI) DATABASE OF PREQUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS

INTERPRETERS

I. BACKGROUND

The African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights (AFCHPR) was established by the 1998 Protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples' Rights on the Establishment of an African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights (the Protocol). The Protocol entered into force on 25 January 2004, paving the way for the establishment of the AFCHPR. It is the continent's first judicial body responsible for the protection of human and peoples' rights on the continent. The Court's main mandate is to complement the protective mandate of the Banjul-based African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (the Commission). The seat of the Court is in Arusha, United Republic of Tanzania.

II. OBJECTIVE

In order to update its database, the Court is calling for applications from qualified freelance interpreters in Arabic, English, French, Portuguese, Spanish and Swahili who are nationals of African Union member countries.

NB: Those who have previously applied and have been notified that they have been included in the database do not need to apply again.

III. SCOPE

Freelance interpreters are invited to express interest in providing online and face-to-face services (e.g., during sessions and other meetings of the Court). They will be awarded contracts to provide interpretation services at meetings organised by the Court's Registry.

IV. MAIN TASKS

Freelance interpreters provide quality simultaneous or consecutive interpretation services, as required, at sessions and meetings organised by the Court using mainstream terminology.

V. REQUIREMENTS

- A Master's degree in Interpretation, Humanities and Languages or any other related field and a minimum of five (5) years' experience as an interpreter, preferably in an international organisation. A higher qualification in the relevant field will be an added advantage.
- Or A Bachelor's degree in Interpretation, Humanities and Languages or any other related field and have a minimum of seven (7) years' experience as an interpreter, preferably in an international organisation.
- Experience in the work of the Court and other international and/or domestic courts is an added advantage.
- A legal background or knowledge of legal terminology is an added advantage.

VI. REQUIRED SKILLS

- Ability to work *in-situ* or online.
- Ability to work under pressure at short notice.

VII. REMUNERATION

- Online interpretation (sessions and other meetings):
 USD 468 per day.
- In-situ interpretation (sessions and other meetings)
 USD 468 per day + daily per diem of the place of assignment.

The Court will cover travel costs for *in-situ* contracts in compliance with AU travel policy (one economy class return air ticket).

All payments will be made in compliance with African Union rules and procedures.

The Court reserves the right to change the above fees at any time.

VIII. EVALUATION CRITERIA

- Academic background (30 points)
- Professional experience (45 points)
- Language combination (15 points)
- Retour and ability to act as a pivot (10 points)

IX. APPLICATION PACKAGE

Applications must include:

- The completed Consultancy Form (attached), specifying the language combination(s) (e.g., EN/AR: EN/FR; EN/PT; EN/SW, etc.)¹
- Copies of diplomas, attestations, certificates, etc.
- Supporting documents and detailed information on professional experience (contracts, screenshots of e-mails relating to interpretation contracts (one for each year of experience), etc.)

NB: Applications listing academic qualifications and professional experience but submitted without copies of diplomas and certificates, contracts and/or purchase orders of such contracts will not be considered.

X. SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

Applications must mention in the subject line "Call for Applications for Entry into the African Court Interpretation Consultants' Database".

Applications should either be sent by email via: tender@african-court.org

(The maximum size of attachments is 25 MB. If the size of the attachments exceeds 25 MB, please send them all in separate emails).

For security reasons, URL Links to download attachments from cloud sources cannot be opened. Documents should be attached to the emails.

Or

by post to the following address:

The Registrar,

African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights

P.O. BOX 6274 Arusha, Tanzania

Or

be submitted directly at Headquarters of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights, TANAPA, Mwalimu Julius Nyerere Conservatory Centre, Phase II, Dodoma Road. Arusha, Tanzania.

XI. DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS

The deadline for receipt of applications is 17:00 local time (GMT+3) on 03 May 2023.

For further information, please contact us at the following email address: procurement@african-court.org

¹ English/Arabic; English/French; English/Portuguese; English/Swahili, etc.

NB: Applications shall not be considered if:

- received after the deadline;
- <u>sent through addresses different from the ones mentioned under section "X. SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS";</u>
- not supported by copies of academic credentials;
- not supported by evidence of professional experience;
- submitted without the Consultancy Form attached, duly completed and signed.

Dr. Robert Eno

Registrar of the Court

