## Request for Participation in Early Market Engagement for Procurement of Works (4 Lots—2 each for the transmission lines, and substations)

Employer: Tanzania National Electricity Company (TANESCO), TANZANIA

**Project:** Uganda-Tanzania Transmission Interconnector Project (UTIP)

Cost Estimates: USD 398. Million

Country: United Republic of Tanzania

Project No.:P171243

The Government of the United Republic of Tanzania has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the UTIP and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments for construction of transmission lines and substations once the financing agreement for this loan is signed with the World Bank and the loan becomes effective. The required work has been divided into four lots—2 each for the construction of transmission lines, and substations. Details are provided in the questionnaire attached with this request for participation.

TANESCO now invites large EPC firms specializing in transmission and substation works, regional or local contractors with relevant experience, joint ventures-international + local firms) to participate in this Early Market Engagement (EME).

The ultimate objective of this EME is to: (1) obtain an understanding of the market's capacity, technical capability, and prevailing trends within the engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) sector; (2) engage with qualified and interested suppliers, contractors, and service providers to discuss project requirements and clarify the anticipated bidding, evaluation, and contracting processes in order to promote transparency and fair competition; (3) gather feedback on proposed technical, commercial, and performance criteria to ensure their relevance, practicality, and alignment with industry best practices; and (4) assess the overall supplier qualification landscape to determine market readiness and the ability to deliver safe, high-quality, and sustainable transmission and substation infrastructure.

The workshop is scheduled to take place in Dar es Salaam on 14<sup>th</sup> January,2026 the venue will be communicated later to those who will confirm their participation.

As part of EME, interested EPC firms, and other contractors are requested to submit their intention for the event and submit filled out questionnaire through below email <a href="mailto:invest@tanesco.co.tz">invest@tanesco.co.tz</a>

The link for registration will be shared at the appropriate time with attendees who are ready to join.

Please note that responses to the questions will be shared only internally with the project implementation team and will not be made public or available to your competitor companies.

The consultant will host and manage a meeting with the suppliers and contractors wherein the representative of contractors could attend either physically or, if that is not feasible, virtually. A meeting link will be shared with the contractors for virtual participation. For the physical option the Consultant will organize the meeting in Dar es Salaam and facilitate the logistics as necessary.

Bidding for the selection of contractors will be conducted through International Competitive Procurement (ICB) using a Request for Bids (RFB) procedure (without pre-qualification) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" ("September 2025 Procurement Regulations") and will be open to all eligible Bidders as defined in these Procurement Regulations.

The procurement process for the aforementioned works is expected to start in financial 2025/2026