

## INTERNATIONAL TRADE CENTRE (ITC)

### Major Upcoming Business Opportunity Notice

### CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

**Important:** The purpose of this call for EOI is to identify appropriate suppliers who can potentially fulfill the requirements. The present call for EOI does not constitute an invitation to tender. Only suppliers deemed qualified by ITC will receive the invitation to tender.

**Reference:** EOI PS/2018-43/HW Agribusiness traineeship  
**Date of this Call for Expression of Interest (EOI):** 1 October 2018  
**Closing Date for Receipt of EOI at ITC/PS:** 15 October 2018

#### Terms of Reference (summary):

The Youth Empowerment Project (YEP) seeks a service provider that can offer on-the-job training programmes in agricultural and/or horticultural production, agro-processing, agro-product marketing, and pest control for young Gambians. The service provider should be an enterprise in the agribusiness sector, active in the aforementioned training areas or in closely related activities.

YEP seeks a service provider active in the agribusiness sector of The Gambia. The service provider will provide a traineeship to 190 persons with duration of 4-12 weeks (full time). Specifically, the service provider should deliver the following:

- Training on agricultural and/or horticultural production for 50 youth in two or three cohorts;
- Training on agro-processing for 50 youth in two or three cohorts;
- Training on agro-product marketing for 50 youth in two or three cohorts;
- Training on pest control for 40 youth in two or three cohorts.
- The traineeship programme should focus on acquiring skills through a hands-on approach. Expected activities to be carried out under the traineeship programme include, but are not limited to:
  - Hands-on training in the following areas of training: agricultural and/or horticultural production, agro-processing, agro-product marketing, and pest control;
  - Hands-on training in using tools and machines relevant to the area of training (in particular cottage industry type of machines, which youth entrepreneurs could use in small-scale businesses);
  - Sensitization on business opportunities, how to generate revenue, and how manage and grow a small company/start-up in the agribusiness sector.
  - Mentoring/coaching programme to support trainees in the transition into self-employment or employment after completion of the on-the-job training;
  - Communication materials on the results of the programme (e.g. press release, video, brochure) and statements from trainees.
  - Marketing of the programme among youth.

ITC Procurement Services invites interested companies to forward their Expression of Interest (EOI) by fax or by email before the closing date to:

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Website: [www.intracen.org](http://www.intracen.org)

Please indicate your vendor ID number and the reference of this EOI in your response. If not registered with ITC/UNOG or UNGM, please follow the Procedure for Registration as Potential Vendor at [www.ungm.org](http://www.ungm.org) as soon as possible.

ITC reserves the right to change or cancel this requirement at any time during the EOI and/or solicitation process.

Please note that only those companies considered qualified by ITC for this project will be invited to participate in this procurement exercise. For any further information on ITC, please consult our website: [www.intracen.org](http://www.intracen.org)