

**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 fulfil 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: 2019-36-EZL Youth employment skills in The Gambia

Date of this Call for Expression of Interest (EOI): 31 May 2019

Closing Date for Receipt of EOI at ITC/PS: 30 June 2019

Terms of Reference (summary):

ITC is implementing The Gambia Youth Empowerment Project (YEP), which is a four-year project launched in 2017 that aims at supporting youth employment and entrepreneurship to address the economic root causes of irregular migration. It is funded by the European Union (EU) Emergency Trust Fund for Africa.

In addition, ITC is also implementing the Jobs, Skills and Finance (JSF) for Women and Youth in The Gambia Programme, in partnership with the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF). This programme aims to contribute in stabilizing the economic, social and security situation of the by facilitating social inclusion and employment of the youth and women, with a specific emphasis on promoting gender equality and addressing climate change.

In this regard, ITC is launching The Skills for Youth Employment (SkYE) Fund to roll-out skills development programmes for youth in The Gambia in 2019. The SkYE Fund is a results-based competitive funding model that ensures the critical importance of training youth to meet existing job needs, or in the case of self-employment, successfully meet market opportunities. In this phase, the SkYE Fund aims to equip 1, 600 Gambian youth with market-relevant technical and vocational skills in partnership with local training institutions.

The SkYE Fund is **limited to applications** from institutions, companies and associations **with a presence in The Gambia**. An information workshop on the SkYE Fund process and guidance on proposal development will be held in Banjul.

Interested technical and vocational education training (TVET) institutions, private sector companies and industry associations with a presence in The Gambia are invited to attend this workshop held in Banjul :

**on Thursday, 20th June 2019
at the Ocean Bay Hotel & Resort
Kofi Annan Street, Cape Point, Bakau, The Gambia
From 09:00 to 13:30**

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

Procurement Services
International Trade Centre
Palais des Nations
1211 Geneva 10
Switzerland
lagier@intracen.org
Website: www.intracen.org

Please indicate in your response, the reference of this EOI, your company/organization name, address, contact details (contact name, e-mail address, phone no) and UNGM vendor ID number. If not registered with ITC/UNOG or UNGM, please follow the Procedure for Registration as Potential Vendor at www.ungm.org as soon as possible (to obtain a UNGM vendor ID number).

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