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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

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Title of the EOI:

Construction of Durable Houses at Magalacad IDP Relocation Site Somali Region Ethiopia

Date of this EOI: 17 October 2025**Closing Date for Receipt of EOI:** 26 October 2025**EOI Number:** EOIUNON23916**Beneficiary Country/Territory:** Ethiopia**Commodity/Service category:** Professional Services**Address EOI response by fax or e-mail to the Attention of:** Gladys Murangi**Fax Number:****E-mail Address:** gladys.murangi@un.org; unon-procurement-rfx@un.org**UNSPSC Code:**

72101513 - Offsite construction service
22101900 - Building construction machinery and accessories
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DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

United Nations Office at Nairobi (hereinafter referred to as UNON) on behalf of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT) Kenya invites qualified interested and qualified firms to submit Expressions of Interest (EOI) to participate in the upcoming procurement process for the Construction of Durable Houses at Magalacad IDP relocation site, Somali Region, Ethiopia.

UN-Habitat Ethiopia is looking for interested building contractors registered in Ethiopia from Grade 6 and above who hold certification in pre-cast jute reinforced concrete technology as (a) Authorized Agent Engineers or (b) Authorized Agent Professionals in construction, particularly in the housing domain to support UN-Habitat's initiative to achieve durable solutions for displacement-affected communities through durable housing.

Project background:

In line with its mandate, UN Habitat has been supporting member states including Ethiopia in developing planned human settlements, increased access to public spaces and adequate housing, infrastructure and basic services. UN-Habitat Ethiopia, in a joint project with IOM, FAO, and the regional governments of Somali and Oromia regions, through joint funding from the Government of Sweden and the Swiss Development Cooperation (SDC), is implementing a project titled "Strengthening Resilience of Disaster-Affected Communities Through Durable Solutions in Oromia and Somali Regions of Ethiopia". Among other objectives, the project aims to strengthen resilience among displaced and disaster-affected communities through sustainable, long-term solutions, focusing on providing access to durable housing, land, and property rights. Housing units that are sustainable and made from environmentally friendly materials provide adequate protection against external weather elements promoting well-being and allow displacement affected communities' resilience to rebuild their lives and adapt to circumstances.

The emergence of prefabricated and innovative housing construction techniques, such as using precast jute-reinforced concrete panels (an innovative system integrating jute fibres with concrete for added strength and sustainability) has been formally endorsed by the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Ministry of Urban and Infrastructure (MUI) and complies with the Ethiopian Construction Design Standard (ECDS), ensuring structural integrity and safety. Due to its adaptability, the approach is recommended to be implemented in any region or city across Ethiopia, offering a cost-effective, sustainable, and rapid solution to the country's chronic housing demand. Leveraging locally available materials like jute, the technology also promotes environmentally friendly construction practices, aligning with Ethiopia's broader urban development and infrastructure goals while creating job opportunities for many.

Through this project, UN Habitat will contribute towards achieving SDG 11, targeting SDG 11. 1: Safe adequate and affordable housing, and SDG 11.3: Integrated and sustainable human settlement planning. This project aims to:

1. Build durable, comfortable and quality houses
2. Promote community engagement and skills development
3. Support sustainable living and climate change mitigation
4. Establish a model for future housing constructions using innovative materials and techniques.



SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

Interested vendors must possess the necessary technical expertise and capacity to provide the required services, as only suitably qualified vendors will be invited to participate.

Vendors are required to complete the attached self-declaration form ([Annex A](#)) and return the form via email to unon-procurement-rfx@un.org with a copy to gladys.murangi@un.org

Vendors expressing interest must be registered with the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) at minimum of Basic Registration Level. Vendors not registered in UNGM will not be eligible to participate in the tender exercise at a later stage.

An expression of Interest does not guarantee participation in the request for proposal as only suitably qualified vendors will be invited to participate

IMPORTANT:

Please note that this EOI is not an invitation for submission of tenders. Its purpose is to identify companies that would be interested and eligible to participate in the solicitation when issued. UNON will examine the outcome of this request for EOI and will consider those companies that have expressed their interest. UNON reserves the right to change or cancel the requirement at any time during the EOI and/or solicitation process. Thus, submitting a reply to this Request for EOI does not automatically guarantee your company will be considered for receipt of the solicitation when issued.

NOTE

Information on tendering for the UN Procurement System is **available free of charge** at the following address: <https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice>

Only the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) has been authorised to collect a nominal fee from vendors that wish to receive automatically Procurement Notices or Requests for Expression Of Interest. Vendors interested in this Tender Alert Service are invited to subscribe on <http://www.ungm.org>

Vendors interested in participating in the planned solicitation process should submit the Vendor Response Form of this EOI electronically (through the link available on the next page) before the closing date set forth above.



VENDOR RESPONSE

NOTICE

- Companies can only participate in solicitations of the UN Secretariat after completing their registration (free of charge) at the United Nations Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org).
- As you express interest in the planned solicitation by submitting this response form, please verify that your company is registered under its **full legal** name on the United Nations Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org) and that your application has been submitted to the **UN Secretariat**.
- While companies can participate in solicitations after completion of registration at Basic Level, we strongly recommend all companies to register at least at **Level 1** under the United Nations Secretariat prior to participating in any solicitations.
- Companies are reminded of the restrictions of employment of former UN personnel that were involved in the procurement process during their last three years of service as per ST/SGB/2006/15, including (a) employing those personnel for one year after separation of service and (b) allowing those personnel to communicate with, or appear before, active UN personnel for matters related to the procurement process for two years after separation of service. Violation of the provisions of ST/SGB/2006/15 may lead to suspension of the registration of the company as a UN vendor.

PLEASE NOTE: You should express your interest to this EOI electronically at:

<https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice/281784>

In case you have difficulties submitting your interest electronically, please contact gladys.murangi@un.org; unon-procurement-rfx@un.org directly for instructions.



EOI INSTRUCTIONS

1) Registering as a Vendor with the United Nations

Vendors interested in fulfilling the requirement described above must be registered at the UN Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org) with the UN Secretariat in order to be eligible to participate in any solicitation. Information on the registration process can be found at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors>.

Prerequisites for Eligibility

In order to be eligible for UN registration, you must declare that:

- A. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not listed in, or associated with a company or individual listed in:
 - I. the Compendium of United Nations Security Council Sanctions Lists (<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/un-sc-consolidated-list>), or
 - II. the IIC Oil for Food List website or, if listed on either, this has been disclosed to the United Nations Procurement Division in writing.
- B. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not currently removed or suspended by the United Nations or any other UN organisation (including the World Bank);
- C. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not under formal investigation, nor have been sanctioned within the preceding three (3) years, by any national authority of a United Nations Member State for engaging or having engaged in proscribed practices, including but not limited to: corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice;
- D. Your company has not declared bankruptcy, are not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against your company that could impair your company's operations in the foreseeable future;
- E. Your company does not employ, or anticipate employing, any person(s) who is, or has been a UN staff member within the last year, if said UN staff member has or had prior professional dealings with the Vendor in his/her capacity as UN staff member within the last three years of service with the UN (in accordance with UN post-employment restrictions published in ST/SGB/2006/15).
- F. Your company undertakes not to engage in proscribed practices (including but not limited to: corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice), with the UN or any other party, and to conduct business in a manner that averts any financial, operational, reputational or other undue risk to the UN.

For Registered Vendors: Vendors already registered at the UN Global Marketplace with the UN Secretariat must ensure that the information and documentation (e.g. financial statements, address, contact name, etc.) provided in connection with their registration are up to date in UNGM. Please verify and ensure that your company is registered under its full legal name.

For Vendors Interested in Registration: Vendors not yet registered should apply for registration on the United Nations Global Marketplace (<http://www.ungm.org>); information on the registration process can be found at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors>. Vendors must complete the registration process prior to the closing date of the REOI. Vendors who have not completed the UNGM registration process with the UN Secretariat before the closing date of the REOI are not considered eligible to participate in solicitations of the UN Secretariat. We strongly recommend all companies to register at least at Level 1 under the UN Secretariat prior to participating in any solicitations.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Any false, incomplete or defective vendor registration may result in the rejection of the application or cancellation of an already existing registration.

2) EOI Process

Vendors interested in participating in the planned solicitation process should forward their expression of interest (EOI) to United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON) by the closing date set forth in this EOI. *Due to the high volume of communications UNON is not in a position to issue confirmation of receipt of EOIs.*

Please note that no further details of the planned solicitation can be made available to the vendors prior to issuance of the solicitation documents.

This EOI is issued subject to the conditions contained in the EOI introductory page available at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/eoi>.

