

Ambasáid na hÉireann Embassy of Ireland

Call for expression of interest

1.0 Introduction

The Embassy of Ireland intends to hire a consultant to support the Embassy to effectively implement its management processes that would facilitate Managing for Sustainable Development Results (MfSDR) Approach. The MfSDR approach is expected to facilitate implementation of its Mission Strategy and to "to deliver and communicate development results". The main objective of this assignment is to review and develop an Accountability or Results Framework for the Mission Strategy. In addition, the consultant is expected to strengthen Irish Embassy's capacity in implementing Managing for Sustainable Development Results approach and recommend opportunities to improve our practice.

2.0 Brief Background

The Government of Ireland, through the Embassy of Ireland (EoI), has been supporting the government of Malawi to end poverty, vulnerability and inequality since 2007. The Embassy in 2021 developed a six-year Mission Strategy (2021-2026) to guide and provide high level direction in strategic planning and programming in support of the Malawi2063 and UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The Mission Strategy is to large extent engrained in Ireland's International Development Policy, *A Better World*, that focuses our efforts on four policy priorities: (i) gender equality; (ii) reducing humanitarian need; (iii) climate action; and (iv) strengthening governance.

3.0 Mission Strategy and Development Results

The International Policy supports the Lilongwe missions' efforts to be more result oriented and deliver on SDGs and development outcomes. Further, the Policy urges that, "now more than ever the Missions need to ensure that every cent of overseas aid results in changes for the better in the lives of poor people and poor communities". To ensure that aid is working well, the Embassy applies the "*Managing for Sustainable Development Results*" (MfSDR) approach.

While we recognise that development is a complex undertaking, it is expected that through utilisation of the MfSDR Approach, the Embassy will contribute better to Malawi's efforts in accelerating economic and development transformation towards resilient, inclusive, accountable nation while <u>advancing Ireland's shared values and interests in Malawi.</u>

It is against this background that the Embassy of Ireland is seeking the services of a consultant(s) to design a robust Accountability/Results Framework for the Mission Strategy (2021-2026) that will help assess performance and impact of the overall Mission Strategy and partners.

4.0 Submission

Individual consultant or companies interested in the assignment should request for detailed Terms of Reference through <u>lilongweapplications@dfa.ie</u>.

The **closing date** for expressing an interest is Friday 13th October 2023