**FRAMEWORK PROCUREMENT NOTICE – ‘PANEL B’**

1. **Publication reference: ALSF/P/2023**
2. **Procedure: Framework Re-Opening**
3. **Programme title**

The African Legal Support Facility (ALSF) is setting up a Framework Arrangement for the procurement of legal services. The ALSF Legal Panel Arrangement is a multi-service provider arrangement. Through this Request for Proposals (RFP) the ALSF is seeking Law Firms with specialist experience and expertise to be pre-qualified and appointed to the ALSF Legal Panel. Panel members shall be engaged to provide legal services on a call-off basis.

The ALSF will maintain two separate panels:

* Panel A’ – Panel of competitively pre-selected law firms with international expertise – This panel consists of law firms with international expertise, technical competencies, and a track record of working in Africa, which are primarily selected for ALSF Projects that require international expertise (procurement procedure for this Panel has already completed in 2019)
* ‘Panel B’ – Panel of competitively pre-selected law firms with expertise in particular African jurisdictions and regions – law firms registered to practice in African jurisdictions to be considered and primarily selected for ALSF Projects in their respective countries or other jurisdictions in which they have suitable expertise. (the current procurement procedure covers only this Panel).

‘Panel B’ consist of law firms in possession of recognized expertise and technical competencies in specific African regions as per the following Regional Lots and in the following sectors: Sovereign Debt Management, Litigation and Arbitration; Natural Resources and Extractive Industries; Energy (Power Sector); Investment Agreements and Related Commercial and Business Transactions; and PPPs and Concession Agreements.

**The ALSF is re-opening the Framework procurement process for the following lots:**

* Lot 1: Central Africa (Cameroon, Central Africa Republic, Chad, Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Gabon)
* Lot 3: North Africa (Algeria, Egypt, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Tunisia)
* **Lot 4: Portuguese & Spanish speaking Africa** (Angola, Cabo Verde, Equatorial Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, São Tomé e Principe)
* Lot 6: West Africa (Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d’Ivoire, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo)

1. ****Pricing****

The Framework Agreement has no overall contract amount or maximum budget.

1. **Framework Agreement duration: 5 years**
2. **Contracting Authority**: African Legal Support Facility, Abidjan, Ivory Coast
3. **Nature of contract: Fee based Agreement.**
4. **Expression of Interest:**

Each interested applicant must send an Expression of Interest Letter as per the form to this effect (links to the English template: <https://www.alsf.int/public/procurement/> (section “procurement”) and to the French template <https://www.alsf.int/public/nos-appels-doffres> (section “appel d’offres”)) and send such letter to [alsf@afdb.org](mailto:alsf@afdb.org). Upon receipt of a duly signed Expression of Interest Letter, the ALSF will provide the applicant with the tender documentation package via email.

1. **Information session for Law Firms: Online information session is organised by ALSF on 8 May 2023, at 16:00 UTC. Register in advance for this webinar:** <https://afdb.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_7rokEIbSR2SXfHh7t-NjaQ>
2. **Deadline for submission of Global Proposals: 02 June 2023, at 18:00 UCT**