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COMMODITY VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PROJET - PHASE II

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FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF RICE AND ONION VALUE CHAIN IN CAMEROON THROUGH 'PADFA II INNOVATION FUND'

Under the supervision of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MINADER); the Commodity Value Chain Development Support Project -Phase II is the fruit of cooperation between Cameroon and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). PADFA II launches a call for proposals for the prequalification and the selection of projects to be financed by the innovation Fund.

Project goal: Contribute to poverty alleviation and to the improvement of food and nutritional security of the target populations Development goal: Sustainably increase incomes and resilience of family farms producing rice and onion in the project areas Direct effects:

1 . The productivity of farms and their resilience to risks are improved

2. The value, market access and competitiveness of agricultural products are ensured

3 The political, legislative and legislative framework is favorable to private investment

Goal of innovation Fund: This call for proposals essentially aims at providing the carriers of eligible innovations with the necessary co-financing enabling them, through an innovation, organizational, managerial and technical micro-project to contribute to the achievement of the goal of PADFA II. The interventions will be mainly oriented towards alignment with the direct effect of PADFA II.

This call for proposals takes place in two phases:

Phase 1: Reception and review of letter of intent. At this stage; prequalified tenderers are those whose projects have (i) Objective in line with the subject of the call for proposals, (ii) a methodology in line with the objectives of the innovation fund and, (iii) a logic of reinforcement and complementarity with the support of PADFAII

Phase 2: Pre-selection of bidders, reception and review of full proposals. As an indication, the following elements will be considered (i) impact of the innovative project on the targets and the quality of operational research /development teams, (ii) ability to scale up: identification of needs at local and national level, (iii) articulation with IFAD Priorities, (iv) partnerships and capacity -building, (v) additionality, complementarity and multidisciplinarity, (v) inclusion of a gender approach, (vi) dissemination of results and impact, (vii) governance of innovative project.

The innovations sought are divided into three complementary and non -exclusive themes belonging to the rice and onion value chain:

Theme 1: Improving seed activities and rice and onion production

Theme 2: Improving rice and onion post-harvest operations

Theme 3: Improving the organization, marketing, warranty, financial services and resource management within POs/Cooperatives.

The call for proposals is accessible to any natural or legal person, residing and exercising their activities in the areas targeted by PADFA II (Far North, North, North-West and West Regions) with experience in the Rice and Onion sectors and whose innovative project will be carried out primarily (but not exclusively) in the Far North, North, North West and West Regions. Female applications are strongly encouraged and applicants can be grouped in 3 to 6 co-entrepreneurs with various skills and including gender sensitivity (at least one woman and one young person)

The submission of the application for phase 1 is only done online using the following email address: fondsinnovation@padfa.net no later than Friday, February 18, 2022 at midnight, the time of sending email being proved. The documents to be provided are as follows: the letter of intent to tender (in the name of the principal responsible) addressed to the National Coordinator of PADFA II, the application form (available online) and the additional documents (administrative documents and references / proof of previous experience). Interested parties are invited to consult the PADFA II website, Facebook and twitter pages for all the news on this call for proposals.

For any further information, please contact PADFAII at the following address :

Coordination and Management Unit of the Commodity value Chain Development Support Project Phase 2 (PADFAII) located at Bastos quarter behind the Chinese Embassy, PO BOX: 5349. Phone: (237) 699611910 / 699839759/ 22207444 Email padfacameroun@gmail.com, padfacameroun@padfa.net or on the project's social network pages (www.facebook.com/padfacameroon et www.twitter.com/padfacameroon).

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