General Overview
on the GRMF application procedure

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GRMF Pre-Application Workshop (3rd Application Round)
Arusha - Tanzania, October 2014
Purpose

• Invite applicants to submit an Expression of Interest

• Refer to all underlying documents

• Specify submission procedure

• Give instructions to applicants and specify form and content of applications

• Provide a brief overview on Early Contracting Regulations

• Provide a brief overview on the instrument “Continuation Premium”

• State submission deadline and contact details

• Overall Objective: Enable applicants to deliver successful applications
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1st Stage:  
Expression of Interest (EoI)

2nd Stage:  
Application (RfA)

Signing of Grant Contract
GRMF - Two stage process:
Expression of Interest (EoI) & Application stage

**Expression of Interest (EoI)**

- Relevant Documents
  - Developer Manual
  - Request for EoI
    - Cover Letter (Annex I)
    - EoI Surface Study (Annex II)
    - EoI Drilling Program (Annex III)

**Application (RfA)**

- Relevant Documents
  - Developer Manual
  - Request for Application with application forms and annexes
  - AWC – guidelines
  - Developer procurement guidelines

**Signing of Grant Contract**
Schedule for Pre-Application & Expression of Interest (EoI)

Pre-qualification stage (1st stage)

Pre-Application workshop
ARUSHA - 30th Oct 2014

Start of Expression of Interest (EoI) phase
31st Oct 2014

Questions and Answers (Q&A)
Deadline: 12th Dec 2014
Answers Published
Latest: 19th Dec 2014

Deadline for the submission of EoI
8th January 2015, 16:00H (Ethiopian time)

Evaluation of EoI

accepted

rejected
Schedule and timeline of the application stage (2nd stage)

Pre-qualification stage AR3

Application stage AR3 2nd stage

Questions and Answers (Q&A)
2 weeks prior to deadline
Answers Published
1 week prior to deadline

Deadline for the submission of applications
May/June (To be announced)

Surface studies
Drilling proposals

Signing of Grant Contracts
September/October 2015
Internal Processing in the evaluation stage of applications

Application stage AR3
- Deadline for the submission of applications AR 3: May/June 2015

Evaluation stage AR3
- Surface studies
- Drilling proposals
- Completeness check
- One formal deficiency report
- Evaluation methodology

Deficiency report
- Minor formal omissions
- Supplements

Technical evaluation
- Accepted
- Rejected

Financial evaluation
- Accepted
- Rejected

Overall threshold score: 70Pts

Ranking stage AR3
- Completeness check
- Eligibility check
- Grounds for rejection
- Responsiveness check

Grant stage AR3
- Signing of Grant Contracts
The ranking stage for applications

Evaluation stage

Ranking stage

Rank SS or DP < x: next application round

Surface studies
Rank 1 to x: Funding

Drilling proposals
Rank 1 to x: Funding

Ranking August/September 2015

• Ranking by technical evaluation score

Signing of Grant Contracts
September/October 2015

Grant Contract

Project implementation

Drilling Programme/Surface study/Infrastructure implementation
Potential: Continuation Premium activities for DP
Formal aspects of submission of EoI & Application (I)

• To be submitted:
  • 1 original
    → Signed & stamped cover letter AND each page of the expression of interest form paraphrased (signed) AND additionally the two Declarations must be signed & stamped
  • 2 copies
    → Identical in content to the original – including all required signatures and paraphrasing
Formal aspects of submission of EoI & Application (II)

- To be submitted:
  - 1 electronic version
    → Must be searchable – only signed pages provided as scans (digital signatures may be used for the CVs). The soft copy does not require paraphrasing.
  - Original and printed copies shall be provided in document files separated in sections for each different Form by using separator sheets or dividing stripes
Formal aspects of Submission (III)

- Non-compliance with the structure may result in rejection of the EoI.

- Applicant has the full responsibility that the original and the copies, as well as the electronic version are in total compliance (the only exception relates to the paraphrasing, which is not required for the soft-copy).

- EoI submitted after the deadline, or to a wrong location, will be formally refused and sent back unopened to the applicant.

- Opening of Expression of Interest is scheduled for 9th January 2015, 10:00H Ethiopian time.

  Applicants are allowed to attend.
Early contracting (I)

- General rule: Commencement of service and sub-contracting shall be no earlier than the effective date of the Grant Contract
  - Surface study must commence within 6 months of signing the Grant Contract
  - Drilling must commence within 12 months of signing the Grant Contract
- Possibility of „Early Contracting“: Commencement of services after full application submission deadline but before signing of the Grant Contract
  - Applicant has to comply with all duties and liabilities specified by the GRMF - even before signing the Grant Contract (e.g. following all procurement guidelines, monitoring- and reporting requirements)
  - Non-compliance will lead to exclusion from funding
Early contracting (II)

- Applicant takes the full risk that:
  - He will not reach the threshold of 70 points in the application procedure and therefore will not be considered for a GRMF Grant
  - He will not be considered for a GRMF Grant due to limited funding even if reaching the threshold of 70 points
  - The GRMF Grant Contract covers only parts of the project that has been applied for (e.g. due to non-eligible costs being included in the project budget), or
  - The GRMF Grant Contract will not be signed for any other reason.
Early contracting (III)

- Timeline overview

  - Signing of grant contract (Jan/Feb 2015)
  - 6 MONTHS AFTER CONTRACT SIGNING
  - Latest Start of SS Activities
  - 12 MONTHS AFTER CONTRACT SIGNING
  - Latest Start of DP Activities
  - Surface Studies -> 12 MONTHS
  - Drilling Programmes (DP) -> 24 MONTHS
  - Start of providing monthly progress reports
  - Max. Project Timeline – Initial Drilling Programme
  - Submission of full Application 12th September
Continuation Premium (I)

In case drilling programme grant holders successfully implement the stipulated activities the GRMF provides additional financial support in form of a Continuation Premium (CP).

• **Conditions**
  - Comply with all the regulations stipulated within the original Grant Contract and with all duties and liabilities of CP specific regulations

• **Eligible Costs**
  - Additional full size well (AWC-Guidelines apply accordingly to Grant Contract)
  - Long term discharge testing
  - Reservoir evaluation update
  - Field development plan
Continuation Premium (II)

Financial Caps

• Up to 30% of the approved eligible and expended costs of continuation activities, or

• Up to 30% of the developer’s share of the approved eligible and expended costs incurred during the initial drilling and testing programme (excluding infrastructure upgrades)

(Whichever is lower applies)
Continuation Premium (III)

- Timeline overview

- Grant Signing
- Max. Project Timeline – Initial Drilling Programme (24 MONTHS)
- Max. Project Timeline - Including Continuation Premium (36 MONTHS)
- Deadline: Hand-in of CP final Report (narrative and financial) & all Invoices of the CP Activities: Max. 3 Months after the 36 Months

12 MONTHS

Latest Start of Drilling Activities

Deadline Signing CP Contract Addendum

Deadline CP Application Letter

Latest Start of CP Activity (6 Months after signing of CP)

6 MONTHS AFTER SIGNING OF CP CONTRACT ADDENDUM

Max CP Duration: 12 MONTHS
Information distribution (I)

Expression of Interests (EoI) and all related forms are available on the GRMF webpage:

http://www.grmf-eastafrica.org/application/prequalification-stage

It is the responsibility of the applicant to keep himself updated!

Therefore please check the relevant sections of the GRMF-webpage regularly!
Information distribution (II)

• For EoI related questions/clarifications use the “Ask for Clarification” option at the GRMF webpage. Please do additionally pose any questions by email to: grmf@africa-union.org and grmf@roedl.com

  **Deadline** for asking Questions for the 3rd AR EoI phase: 12th December 2014.

• Questions and Answers will be regularly published anonymously for all applicants on the pre-qualification stage section of the GRMF webpage – final Q & A response published on 19th December 2014.

(http://www.grmf-eastafrica.org/application/prequalification-stage/clarifications)
Thank you for your attention!

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