



## CALL FOR PROPOSALS

### Research study on current use of M&E evidence in development planning and budgeting processes in the 6 Twende Mbele countries: opportunities for entrenchment

Twende Mbele is a multilateral peer-learning initiative between six (6) African governments (Benin, South Africa, Uganda, Kenya, Ghana and Niger) and two regional partners (The Centre for Learning on Evaluation and Results, Anglophone Africa (CLEAR-AA) and the Independent Evaluation Unit of the African Development Bank [IDEV]). The core aim of Twende Mbele is to develop, strengthen and sustain public sector performance monitoring and evaluation systems that improve development policy and programme performance.

Twende Mbele is commissioning a research project whose purpose is to understand the current role and/or use of performance monitoring and evaluation evidence (data) in the planning and budgeting processes of the governments of Benin, South Africa, Uganda, Kenya, Niger and Ghana. We are seeking to contract one expert consultant per country (in-country knowledge and experience is key). From this research study, each consultant is to develop a guideline on how to entrench the use of M&E evidence in the planning and budgeting processes of the government they focused on, making sure that these two crucial functions are informed by the best available performance data on existing development plans, policies, programmes and projects of governments.

The consultant(s) hired will provide the Steering Committee (Twende Mbele) with the outputs indicated in the accompanying Terms of Reference. The research project adopts a qualitative research design and methodology constituted by a review of official government documents (grey literature to be provided by the 6 governments), along with key informant interviews with the relevant stakeholders engaged in public sector development planning and budgeting processes.

Individuals interested in undertaking this interesting and critical study must submit a proposal (inclusive of CV, costed work plan, and past research reports as per section 8 of Terms of Reference) responding to the accompanying Terms of Reference, by **15 November 2022 at 23:59 Central African Time**. Proposals are to be submitted via email to the Programme Manager, Dr. Ayabulela Dlakavu at [ayabulela.dlakavu@wits.ac.za](mailto:ayabulela.dlakavu@wits.ac.za) and copy Miss. Amanda Deuchars at [amanda.deuchars@wits.ac.za](mailto:amanda.deuchars@wits.ac.za). The evaluation of the proposals will be carried out considering the selection criteria of economy (cost-efficiency), experience and sound understanding of the purpose of this research project. The selected consultant(s) will be contacted by the Steering Committee by **25 November 2022**.