



## **CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

### **Consultancy to undertake a Comparative Study of Industrial Property Laws in ARIPO Member States**

The African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) is an Intergovernmental Organization. It was established by the Lusaka Agreement which was adopted by the Diplomatic Conference held in Lusaka on December 9, 1976. Presently, the Organization has nineteen member States, namely: Botswana, The Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Swaziland, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

The Organization was established to promote, harmonize and develop intellectual property laws and policies and to ensure that it contributes to the social, economic and technological development of its Member States and Africa as a whole.

In its quest to achieve the objective of harmonizing the laws of its Member States, ARIPO therefore seeks to engage the services of a Consultant (this can be a company or individual) to undertake a comparative study of Industrial Property Laws of Member States and make recommendations for harmonization.

The Consultant should have at least a Bachelor Degree in Law, with at least five years' experience in research, analytical and drafting skills and have undertaken similar studies in Intellectual Property laws and legal frameworks. A Postgraduate degree in Intellectual Property is an added advantage.

Interested Consultants are invited to obtain the Terms of Reference (ToR) from the ARIPO Secretariat by contacting the Secretariat at [mail@aripo.org](mailto:mail@aripo.org)

**Deadline:** Submissions of proposals must be received **on or before Wednesday May 31, 2017 at 1600 hours**. No late submissions will be accepted.

#### **Submission of proposals should be addressed to:**

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The applications shall be submitted by Courier or hand delivered to the above mentioned address or by Email at [mail@aripo.org](mailto:mail@aripo.org)

