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Title of tender: Supply of organic manure (compost), lime, and cuttings of elephant grass (*Pennisetum purpureum*: urubingo).

Tender reference number: N° 001-CLP/MuLaKiLa /ARCOS/2024

Procurement Method: Open competitive bidding

Type of contract: Framework contract

Client: ARCOS

Financing Project: MuLaKiLa Project

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I. Introduction to ARCOS

The Albertine Rift Conservation Society (ARCOS) is an international conservation organization with the mission to enhance biodiversity conservation and sustainable management of natural resources in the Albertine Rift region, Africa Great Lakes region and African Mountains through the promotion of a collaborative conservation action for nature and people (www.arcosnetwork.org).

II. The MuLaKiLa Project

ARCOS, in collaboration with the Government of Rwanda through Ngororero and Rutsiro districts, Reforest'Action, and Circular Bioeconomy Alliance, is implementing a Project named "Building resilience to climate change and sustainable agriculture value chains in agro systems around **Mukura Forest and Lake Kivu Catchment Landscape (MuLaKiLa Project)**", under the financial support by AstraZeneca. The Project is the pilot phase of a Transboundary Regional Living Lab designed to improve resilience and adaptation in all mountain ecosystems and their communities in East Africa.

The project will build this resilience by restoring 21,000 hectares (ha) of smallholder farms through (1) the plantation of 6 million perennial trees (composed of 50% indigenous tree species, 30% fruits, and 20% exotic plant species), (2) the establishment of 2,450 ha of radical and 8,033 ha of progressive terraces, and (3) the improvement of the livelihoods of 160,000 smallholder farmers, over 30 years since 2023. In 2024, the project will build 800 ha of radical and 2,677.5 ha of progressive terraces. The MuLaKiLa Project will provide owners of the land where terraces are constructed with organic manure (compost), lime, and elephant grass (*Pennisetum purpureum*: urubingo).

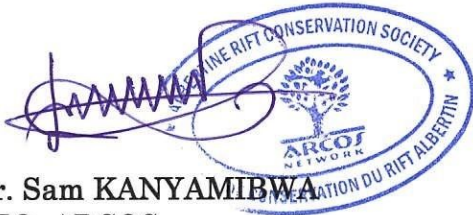
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TENDER NOTICE

ARCOS cordially invites qualified companies/bidders to submit proposals for the supply of the following inputs to be used in terraces under construction by the MuLaKiLa Project: organic manure (compost), lime, and cuttings of elephant grass (*Pennisetum purpureum*: urubingo). Interested bidders should note the following conditions:

- i. This is a competitive bidding process open to all eligible bidders.
- ii. This tender is composed of three (3) lots:
 - (1) Lot 1: Supply of organic manure (compost),
 - (2) Lot 2: Supply of lime, and
 - (3) Lot 3: Supply of cuttings of elephant grass.
- iii. The tender document, in English, can be obtained by emailing admin@arcosnetwork.org. Alternatively, a hard copy of the tender can be collected from the ARCOS Head Office (Kimihurura, KN14, Avenue N° 47) upon presenting proof of payment of a non-refundable fee of Ten Thousand Rwandan Francs (10,000 RWF). Payment should be made to account number 100023523846 at Bank of Kigali (BK) in the name of ARCOS-MACEI from 10th to 18th July 2024.
- iv. Sealed bid proposal documents must be submitted in hard copies (one original and one copy) to the ARCOS Head Office (Kimihurura, KN14, Avenue N° 47) no later than July 19th, 2024, at 3:00 PM, Kigali time.
- v. Bids will be publicly opened at the ARCOS Head Office on July 19th, 2024, at 3:30 PM, Kigali time.
- vi. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information through via telephone number: +250 787 978 439 or e-mail: admin@arcosnetwork.org.

Done at Kigali, July 9th, 2024

The image shows a blue ink signature of Dr. Sam Kanyamibwa over a circular stamp. The stamp contains the text 'ALPINE RIFT CONSERVATION SOCIETY' at the top, 'ARCOS NETWORK' in the center with a tree logo, and 'ASSOCIATION DU RIFT ALBERTIN' at the bottom.

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