



The Republic of South Sudan, Republic of Uganda and the Nile Basin Initiative

South Sudan – Uganda 400kV Power Interconnection Project

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

1. The Governments of the Republic of South Sudan and Uganda, together with the Nile Basin Initiative have received financing from the African Development Fund towards the cost of implementing the **South Sudan - Uganda Power Interconnection Project (SUPIP)**. Additionally, the financing for the SUPIP portion in the Republic of South Sudan includes a grant from the African Development Bank as the administrator of European Union financed projects.
2. The Principal objectives of this project are to integrate South Sudan to the Eastern Africa Power Pool grid and with the specific objective to address the deficit, reliability and affordability of electricity in South Sudan while providing a market for clean and available excess generation in Uganda.
3. The project includes the following components:
 - 3.1 **Component 1** - Construction of 300.5 km of 400 kV double circuit transmission lines comprising of: 149 km from Gumbo in Juba (South Sudan) to Uganda border, and 151.5 km from the South Sudan border to the existing Olwiyo substation in Uganda via the new Bibia substation.
 - 3.2 **Component 2** - Construction of a new 400/132/33 kV substation at Nesitu, Gumbo area (South Sudan), new 400/132/33 kV substation at Bibia (Uganda), extension of 400 kV Karuma substation (Uganda) and uprating of Olwiyo substation (Uganda) from 132/33 kV to 400/132/33 kV.
 - 3.3 **Component 3** - Construction of 100 km of 33 kV lines and 400 km of low voltage reticulations in Nimule (South Sudan) and last mile connection of 1,000 new connections (South Sudan) and extension of 33 kV distribution lines in Juba to the new Gumbo 400/132/33 kV substation.
 - 3.4 **Component 4** - Cost-of-electricity-service study and institutional capacity building for South Sudan,
 - 3.5 **Component 5** - Implementation of Environmental & Social Management Plan (ESMP), resettlement and compensation of project-affected persons, gender action plans, and Civil Society Organization activities.
4. Procurement of goods works, and acquisition of consulting services will be in accordance with the African Development Bank's "Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations" dated October 2025 and in line with the respective financing agreements. Specific Procurement Notices (SPNs), Request for Proposal (RFP) for consultancy services and Bidding Documents for goods and works contracts are expected to be available in UN Development Business (UNDB), AfDB and other Acceptable External Websites by April 2025.

5. Interested bidders may obtain further information, and confirmation of their interest shall be appreciated by contacting:

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