

REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA

Ministry of Development, Investment and International Cooperation
Millennium Challenge Corporation



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

TRANSPORT SECTOR EXPERT

The Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) is an independent foreign assistance agency of the United States Government. MCC's mandate is to assist the world's poorest countries in reducing poverty through economic growth while strengthening good governance, economic freedom, and investments in people in those countries selected to receive its assistance.

Each year, MCC's Board of Directors selects countries that are eligible to receive MCC assistance. For a country to be selected as eligible for MCC assistance, it must demonstrate a commitment to just and democratic governance, investments in its people, and economic freedom, as measured by third-party policy indicators on MCC's annual scorecard. In December 2016, the Republic of Tunisia was selected to be eligible for an MCC compact, a five year grant. The Ministry of Development, Investment and International Cooperation (MDIIC), representing the Republic of Tunisia, is now developing a compact program with MCC which will advance economic growth and poverty reduction in Tunisia.

To ensure a strong start, MDIIC is in the process of establishing a capable, professional team to handle the day-to-day work requirements, manage the overall compact development process, and coordinate and collaborate directly with MCC. This team, known as the Compact Development Core Team, includes an experienced, full-time national coordinator supported by a staff of well-qualified subject matter experts and technical specialists.

At this time, following preliminary analysis of constraints to economic growth in Tunisia and the subsequent submission of project proposal to MCC, the Compact Development Core Team is developing a compact program that addresses the root causes of two constraints to growth, namely excessive controls in markets for goods and services and water scarcity in interior regions. In particular, one project will promote more efficient markets for goods and services and a modernized business environment in Tunisia by encouraging firm competitiveness and growth in private investment. One aspect of this project will be an effort to improve transport and logistics infrastructure and facilitate improved trade procedures in a manner that reduces time and cost for transport and logistics for international and national trade and reduces opportunities for corruption.

Accordingly, the Core Team is seeking a highly motivated Senior Expert in Transport Sector to develop activities designed to alleviate barriers to efficient market function and to facilitate trade, for example implementation of reforms related to trade facilitation, rationalization of administrative requirements needed for international trade operations in Tunisia, assessment and implementation of improved transport and logistics procedures etc., as part of Tunisia's future MCC compact program. The Senior Expert will be expected to coordinate with the broader Tunisian Core Team (Management, Economist, Gender and Social Inclusion, Private Sector Development, Public Outreach, Environment, Monitoring and Evaluation), and their MCC counterparts, consultants.

The process will entail a combination of comprehensive desk reviews and document analysis, drafting of documents and terms of reference, frequent field visits, coordinating and managing consultants and consultations with key stakeholders, including government partners and relevant private sector actors. The expert will be called on to both provide relevant expertise and to play a strong project management role in the development of the trade facilitation and transport activity. The expert will be expected to provide relevant assistance including written contributions, as per need and the work plan.

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Description of main responsibilities:

The Transport Sector Expert will undertake the following tasks/duties:

- Design and develop a public investment program of reforms, infrastructure and related activities designed to improve transport and logistics infrastructure and facilitated trade procedures in a manner that reduces time and cost for transport and logistics for international and national trade
- Coordinate the planning of public-private partnerships for transport and logistics infrastructure, together with consultants and other relevant members of the core team
- Carry out consultations with relevant ministries and public institutions, private sector and other stakeholders;
- Elaborate / develop all the documents necessary for a future MCC investment in transport and logistics infrastructures and reforms that address the identified constraints, and review the drafts with ministries, departments and other organizations involved in the compact development process;
- Provide guidance on change management actions needed to introduce reforms to promote improved transport and logistics efficiency;
- Undertake complex planning, data gathering, and research assignments;
- Prepare detailed reports and presentations;
- Ensure outreach to and incorporation of feedback from all stakeholders involved in trade facilitation and transport and logistics sector in Tunisia, including but not limited to, the private sector;
- Provide detailed trade and transport process mapping, identify burdensome rules and procedures and participate in the identification of solutions to address this constraints;
- Support the design, preparation and implementation of transport and logistics reforms and activities, studies, analytical work, policy work, and advisory activities.

Qualifications:

- Master's degree (or above) in a field relevant to efficient markets, transport, economics, international trade, public policy and/or Engineering degree in Transport, supply chain, logistics or Infrastructure.
- Knowledge of Tunisia's goods and services markets (logistics, transport of goods, manufacturing, onshore/offshore, services, trade, finance, etc.) and regulatory environment;
- Ten (10) or more years of experience in project development and reforms implementation.
- Strong knowledge of change management processes, including identification of reform needs and implementation of change management efforts; experience with change management practices with of for public sector or other large organizations would be an advantage;
- Demonstrated ability to understand and analyse processes and procedures of local institutions such as government ministries involved in trade facilitation and transport operations.
- Good understanding of international practices and main principals related to regulatory environments for business related operations as well as experience with international trade or logistics businesses.
- Demonstrated ability to conceptualise and implement development projects, including conducting procedures mapping and simplifications.
- Capacity to manage a variety of analytical tasks and demands with limited supervision, in a responsible and flexible manner.
- Experience working with bilateral or multilateral donor organizations preferred;
- Fluency in English, French and Arabic

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Level of effort:

The Transport Sector Expert should be available on a full- time equivalent (FTE) during the Compact development process.

Counterpart Staff:

The Senior Expert will be expected to coordinate with the broader Tunisian team (Management, Economist, Gender and Social Inclusion, Private Sector Development, Public Outreach, Environment, Monitoring and Evaluation), and their MCC counterparts, and specifically, another Senior Expert working on Transport Infrastructure.

Interested candidates are requested to send a CV and covering letter (both in english) before the [May 5th, 2019](#) to the following e-mail address: application.mcc@mdci.gov.tn

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