



## **VNG International is looking for a Chief of Party – Land Tenure Project in Togo**

VNG International is the organization for international cooperation of the Association of Dutch Municipalities. Our mission is to develop strong and democratic local government worldwide. European and international cooperation between local authorities is emphatically one of our areas of activity. VNG International is an organization that offers international services to the public sector, often on behalf of the European Commission, Dutch Ministries, World Bank, and other national and multilateral institutions. The head office is located in The Hague, where almost 60 people work. VNG International also has foreign branches, including a subsidiary in Tunisia, which employs a total of more than 120 people. We use a large network of experts in relevant fields to carry out the work within the projects and programs (on location). VNG International's projects increasingly take place in fragile areas or in areas affected by the consequences of conflict or disasters.

**VNG International is specifically active in West Africa on Land and is looking for a suitable Chief of Party for the upcoming Land Reform to Accelerate Agricultural Productivity (LRAP) Project in Togo.** Togo is a small West African country, with a population of about 7.5 million people, 60 percent of whom live in rural areas. After decades of political instability, weak governance, and economic mismanagement, the last decade has brought about some economic reforms, enhanced political stability and donor re-engagement, and as a result, Togo has sustained growth since 2010. However, poverty has only declined modestly, and is significantly higher in rural areas than in urban areas. Since August 2017 Togo has been experiencing significant political and popular opposition to the current long-standing government. In spite of political uncertainties, the current government appears to be committed to reform of key economic sectors, including ICT and land.

This Project will be implemented within the following framework: On February 14, 2019, the Government of the Republic of Togo (GoT) and the Government of the United States of America, acting through the Millennium Challenge Corporation, signed a 4-year, \$35 million Threshold Program Agreement. The goal of the Program is to reduce poverty through economic growth. The Program consists of 2 projects: the \$20.5 million Increased Competition, Independent Regulation, and Expanded Access in the ICT Sector (ICT Project) and the \$8 million **Land Reform to Accelerate Agricultural Productivity (LRAP) Project**. For additional details please refer to the MCC web site (<https://www.mcc.gov/where-we-work/country/togo>).

### **The Chief of Party we are looking for has the following profile:**

The key duties and responsibilities of the Chief of Party are the following:

- responsible for the Consultant's overall performance of the "Consultant". Key responsibilities include:
- Serve as the primary point of contact for GoT partners, MCC and relevant MCC contractors;
- Assure a high degree of collaboration and cooperation between the Consultant's personnel and the personnel of MCA-Togo, and key stakeholder ministries;
- Assure that all deliverables are of high quality;
- Manage and be responsible for the day-to-day performance of the Consultant's team;

General qualifications:

- Senior level experience of land tenure project management in developing countries, preferably some experience from Francophone West Africa.
- Strong skills in project planning, budgeting, quality control, human resources management, communication, and team building.
- Proven ability to collaborate with senior host country government officials.
- Fluency in French and English.
- Experience with US financing modalities
- More than 5 years' experience in the position of Team Leader / Chief of Part managing programmes with a budget of over 10 M USD

**Qualifying consultants interested in the position are invited to contact us through contacts below :**

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