



FETAKGOMO TUBATSE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Heritage Development & Tourism Management Non-Profit Organizations (NPOs)

Panel of Heritage Development & Tourism Management Experts

1. BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality (FTLM) is undertaking significant heritage development and tourism management initiatives in the Sekhukhune region of Limpopo Province. These initiatives include the development of Tjate Heritage Site, facilitation of Moshate battlefield,

To ensure the successful, culturally authentic, and community-centered implementation of these heritage and tourism projects, FTLM is establishing a Panel of Heritage Development and Tourism Management Experts comprising non-profit organizations with demonstrated experience and expertise in heritage preservation, tourism management, facility management, community engagement, and cultural development.

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE PANEL

The Panel of Heritage Development and Tourism Management Experts will serve the following purposes:

- Provide advisory support on heritage preservation, cultural authenticity, and community engagement best practices
- Ensure alignment of heritage projects with living heritage principles and Indigenous Knowledge Systems
- Facilitate community consultation and benefit-sharing with local populations and traditional leadership
- Support capacity building and skills development within local communities
- Provide research and documentation support for heritage preservation initiatives
- Advise on cultural sensitivity, ethical practices, and respect for community ownership of heritage.
- Provide advisory and operational support for tourism management, including the management of tourism facilities, stadiums, and community recreational infrastructure within the municipality
- Implement projects on a turn key solution

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3. SCOPE OF ENGAGEMENT AND ANY OTHER ADHOCK ACTIVITY A:

Selected NPOs will be invited to participate in the following activities:

- Quarterly consultation meetings and working sessions with project implementation teams
- Community engagement and traditional leader consultation facilitation
- Heritage research and documentation activities
- Skills development and capacity building programme design and implementation
- Monitoring and evaluation of heritage project impacts on communities-
- Advisory support for tourism sites, hiking and camping facilities, and cultural tourism attractions within the municipality
- Facility management advisory support for municipal facilities including stadiums, sports grounds, recreational parks, and tourism infrastructure
- Development and implementation of tourism marketing and destination management plans
- Support for tourism stakeholder engagement, including engagement with tourism operators, hospitality sector, and local tourism associations

4. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

NPOs must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Registered as a Non-Profit Organisation with the Department of Social Development or equivalent regulatory body in South Africa
- Minimum of 5 years' demonstrated experience in heritage preservation, cultural development, tourism management, facility management, community engagement, or related fields
- Documented track record of successful heritage projects or community-based cultural initiatives
- Evidence of partnerships with communities, traditional institutions, or government bodies
- Demonstrated expertise in at least one of the following: heritage preservation, cultural research, community consultation, capacity building, Indigenous Knowledge Systems, tourism management, destination management, facility management, or sports and recreation management
- In good standing with all regulatory bodies and free from debarment or adverse audit findings
- Commitment to supporting Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality's heritage development agenda over a minimum period of 3 years

5. PRIORITY FOCUS AREAS

While all qualified heritage development NPOs are welcome to apply, FTLM particularly welcomes applications from organisations with expertise in the following areas:

- Cultural heritage preservation and documentation
- Oral history collection and living heritage documentation

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- Pre-colonial African history and governance systems research
- Liberation struggle and anti-colonial resistance heritage preservation
- Community-based heritage site development and management
- Indigenous Knowledge Systems integration into heritage projects
- Heritage-based education and awareness program
- Tourism destination management and tourism product development
- Management and operations of tourism facilities, stadiums, sports grounds, and community recreational infrastructure
- Eco-tourism, cultural tourism, adventure tourism development and promotion
- Tourism marketing, branding, and visitor experience management
- Tourism enterprise development and support for tourism SMMEs and cooperatives
- Alternative forms of memorialization and tourism promotion through creative and innovative tourism products

6. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Interested NPOs must submit a comprehensive Expression of Interest (Eoi) document including:

- Official letter of application on NPO letterhead, signed by an authorised representative
- Copy of NPO registration certificate and evidence of good standing with Department of Social Development
- Organisational profile (2-3 pages) including: mission statement, vision, history, and core competencies
- Evidence of heritage development and/or tourism management experience: case studies or project summaries (minimum 3 projects) with relevant documentation, including any experience in management of tourism facilities, stadiums, or recreational infrastructure
- Description of specific expertise areas relevant to heritage preservation, community engagement, tourism management, and/or facility management
- List of key staff with relevant qualifications, experience, and contact details
- References from at least 3 previous partners, government bodies, or beneficiary communities (with contact details)
- Financial statements or audit reports for the past 3 years
- Clear statement of capacity and commitment to work with FTLM over a 3-year engagement period
- Any additional supporting documents or certifications demonstrating heritage expertise

7. SUBMISSION DETAILS

Submission can be made at Mapodile Thusong center, Apel Regional Office, Atock Thusong Center, Leboeng Thusong Centre, Praaktiseer satellite office and Burgersfort Civic Center (Head office), The closing date for submission of information 22 May 2026. For more information contact the local economic development and tourism unit on 0132311000 or email grnmaroga@ftlm.gov.za.

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Submissions received after the deadline will not be considered. Applicants will receive acknowledgement of receipt within 5 working days.

8. EVALUATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

Submitted Expressions of Interest will be evaluated by a Competent Selection Committee comprising representatives from FTLM and the Evaluation criteria will include:

- Relevance of expertise to FTLM's heritage development and tourism management objectives, including experience in tourism facility and stadium management
- Demonstrated track record of successful heritage projects, tourism management initiatives, and/or facility management, as well as community engagement
- Capacity and resources available for sustained engagement
- Quality of references and partnership history
- Financial sustainability and regulatory compliance
- filmmakers to demonstrate special skills blending technical expertise with soft skills, particularly focusing on storytelling, adaptability, and visual narrative implementation. In
- Geographic proximity or connection to Sekhukhuneland region (advantageous but not required)
- Demonstrated experience in tourism management, tourism facility operations, stadium management, or related infrastructure management (advantageous for tourism-focused applicants)
- Evidence of partnerships with tourism authorities, Limpopo Tourism Agency (LTA), South African Tourism, or relevant provincial and national tourism bodies

9. CONTACT INFORMATION AND QUERIES

For technical queries regarding this Call for Expression of Interest, please contact:

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10. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Fetakgomo Tubatse Local Municipality reserves the right to: (1) accept or reject any submission without providing reasons; (2) request additional information from applicants; (3) conduct site visits or interviews with shortlisted candidates; (4) modify or cancel this process at any time. Participation in this Expression of Interest process does not guarantee selection to the Panel. Selected organisations will be notified in

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writing and invited to sign a formal Panel Engagement Agreement. All applications will be treated confidentially.

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