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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN AND SUPERVISION OF SIX STEAM LABS & ITVET BUILDING IN BELIZE

Institution: Inter-American Development Bank

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Abstract: Consulting Services for the Design of six new STEAM lab buildings and rehabilitation of an existing ITVET building in Belize, and subsequent supervision of works

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Deadline*:* 4:00 PM (CST; Belize Time) Wednesday, June 7th 2023

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Science and Technology (MOECST) *will receive* financing from the *Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)* toward the cost of the Skills for the Future Program and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include the **Design and Supervision of Works** for:

1. **Six new STEAM Lab buildings**.

   The new laboratories (on average approximately 400 m2 per pavilion in each school) will be located within seven existing secondary schools in Belize:

i. Toledo Community College (TCC), in Punta Gorda
ii. Stann Creek Ecumenical, in Dangriga
iii. Cayo Secondary Highschool (SHC), in San Ignacio
iv. Bishop Martin Highschool, in Orange Walk
v. Corozal community College (CCC), in Corozal
vi. Belmopan Comprehensive School (BMP), in Belmopan.

2. **Rehabilitation of an existing ITVET building.**

   The existing building (approximately 650 m2) is located in the ITVET Campus in Belize City.

The designs must be sustainable, environmentally sound, and cost-effective. Additionally, innovative architectural approaches are encouraged. The MOECST is also looking to comply at minimum with the EDGE green building certification for the new STEAM Labs buildings (and to explore the possibility of reaching a Zero-Carbon level, if budget allows for it). The ITVET Rehabilitation will comply with the EDGE certification level. All considerations should be in conformance with accepted international norms and best practices.

The Preliminary Design Brief provides a referential overview of the scope of works and requirements for the Design of the facilities. The document will be updated and completed, to be included in the Request for Proposals.

The contract will consist of two phases:

- Phase I: Design Phase – 6 new Lab buildings and ITVET Rehabilitation. The design of the Labs will use the same model (typology, technology and overall characteristics), adapted to the available site and needs in each school.
- Phase II: Supervision of Works Phase – supervision is required for six new labs and the ITVET Rehabilitation project.

MoECST now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

From the expressions of interest received, the Executing Agency will prepare a shortlist comprising not fewer than five (5) and not more than eight (8) eligible firms.

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: *Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank* GN-2350-15 and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture to enhance their qualifications. For the purpose of establishing the short list, the nationality of a firm is that of the country in which it is legally incorporated or constituted and in the case of Joint Venture, the nationality of the firm appointed to represent it.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Quality and Cost Based Selection** method set out in the Consultant Policies.

This procurement process is contingent on the approval by the IDB for the Skills for the Future Program (BL-L1044), as well as signature and entry into force by the associated loan contract.

Further information and the Preliminary Design Brief can be obtained at the address below during office hours *i.e. 08:00 hours to 17:00 hours*, Belize time.

The Expression of Interest (EOI) should include:

- Letter of interest from the firm
- Proof of their legal status as a firm (registry at Chamber of Commerce)
- Portfolio with pictures, plan, graphic information and reference of relevant projects/assignments (including date, place, size and cost of the project)
- Company Profile related to the assignment (Company structure, demonstrated experience, skills and expertise)

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below or by e-mail by **4:00 p.m. (Central time) on Wednesday *June 7th, 2023.***

Project Executing Unit

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Attachments:

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