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Country: SURINAME

Project: IMPLEMENTATION OF HEALTH SECTOR REFORM PROJECT

Sector: Consulting Services

Abstract: SUPPORT TO IMPROVE PREVENTIVE AND PRIMARY HEALTH CARE SERVICES

Loan No. 1537/OC-SU

Invitation for Prequalification

The Government of Suriname has received a US\$ 5 million loan from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) toward the Implementation of Health Sector Reform Project. This project is jointly financed along with a contribution of US\$ 0.7 million by the Government of Suriname. The eligibility rules and procedures for procurement of consulting firms as stated in the loan contract will govern the prequalification process. The Project Executing Unit (PEU) of the Ministry of Health is the executing agency of the project.

The PEU invites qualified firms from IDB eligible member countries to prequalify for the procurement of consulting services for support to improve preventive and primary health care services in Suriname. This consultancy will provide support to primary health care institutions to assure the delivery of an essential package of primary health care services with a focus on prevention. The consultancy will include the design of content and treatment guidelines, as well as costing of the essential package; the establishment of staffing needs and medicines and supply requirements; and the design and implementation of in-service training programs and community-based health education and prevention programs.

Firms interested to prequalify may request an electronic copy of the prequalification documents for inspection purposes by e-mail (below) free of charge from the PEU.

To participate in the prequalification process a non-refundable fee of US\$ 50 is required. The method of payment for local applicants will be in cash or a direct deposit to account number 50.53.757 at the DSB Bank Paramaribo, and for overseas applicants: Swift SURBSRPA, account number 50.53.757 DSB Bank Paramaribo, Suriname. Copy of the cash voucher or the bank deposit form must be submitted together with the prequalification forms to be able to participate.

Prequalification forms must be submitted in English, enclosed in a sealed envelope clearly marked on the top right hand corner "Application to Prequalify for Support to Improve Preventive and Primary Health Care Services in Suriname", to the address below on 12 December 2005 at or before 1200 hours (Surinamese time). Late applications will not be considered. No liability will be accepted for loss or late delivery. Applications will be opened, in the presence of the applicants' representatives who choose to attend, at the address, date, and time indicated in the prequalification documents.

In the comparison of applications only and all those factors, methods, and criteria specified in Section III of the prequalification documents, evaluation criteria, will be used, in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the instructions to applicants of the prequalification documents.

The PEU will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by applicants in connection with the preparation or delivery of applications.

Applicants will be informed in due course of the result of their applications. Only applicants prequalified under this prequalification process will be invited to bid under the international competitive bidding for the above-mentioned consulting services.

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