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**REGIONAL
INSTRUMENTS FOR IMPLEMENTING FOREST VOCATION LAND POLICY
Forestry-Rural Development
CONSULTING SERVICES
TC Fund No. RS-T1259
Expressions of Interest**

The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) has received financing from the IDB-Netherlands Partnership Program in the Environment toward the cost of the technical cooperation operation RS-T1259 – Instruments for Implementation of Forest Vocation Land Policy, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The services include obtaining the following outputs: forest vocation land (see Web site below) identified and land cover baseline mapped for selected regions for a total of no less than 200,000 ha in Panama; FVL cover change monitoring system designed and operational procedures established; FVL related regulations reviewed and adjustments proposed, including conflicting forest and non-forest policies identified and modifications proposed to assure consistency; FVL policy enforcement procedures reengineered and organizational adjustments proposed; policy rules and other supporting information disseminated in selected regions, including landowners' compliance assistance strategy designed. Limited training will be provided to officials. Terms of reference, guidelines, protocols and other tools and parameters for project design, execution and evaluation will be produced and disseminated through the Internet.

The IDB now invites eligible consultants to express their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must submit information establishing that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in IDB's *Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants*, current edition.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours. 0900 to 1700 hours. Expressions of interest must be delivered to the same address by 1700 hours on 21 June 2006.

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