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ACTION PLAN FOR IMPROVING DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT

Consulting Services

DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST

External Competition

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The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the largest and leading source of financing for regional development for Latin America and the Caribbean, is looking for a Japanese Specialist to support the Bank Action Plan for Improving Disaster Risk Management.

The specialist will provide technical support and guidance to IDB operational teams in the following areas:

- Technical support for country programming and portfolio management: Preparation of sector notes and background studies that support the Operational Departments' discussions on proactive disaster risk management in the dialogue agenda, including programming and portfolio management, with the borrowing member countries
- Incorporation of disaster risk management in project cycle: Support project teams in the Operational Departments in the review of disaster risk for IDB-financed operations and incorporation of disaster risk management in project design
- Support dialogue with international partners to advance countries' disaster risk management: Support the IDB's dialogue and collaboration with other international agencies and donors to promote coordinated work and resource mobilization to enhance the countries' ability to manage risk (This may include the preparation of a strategy for the development of partnerships and the implementation of collaborative activities, such as training and technical assistance.)

Requirements:

- Masters degree or equivalent in an area relevant to Disaster Risk Management, such as: risk analysis, environmental management, economics/finance, public policy and strategic planning, urban development
- Five years professional experience in disaster risk management, preferably in the preparation or execution of development projects. Experience with international agencies in sustainable projects in developing countries, Latin America and the Caribbean is preferred.
- Proficiency in written and oral English and/or Spanish (with Spanish preferred)
- Nationality: Japanese citizen only
- Ability to travel frequently to the Latin America and the Caribbean countries.

Competencies:

- Excellent analytical and technical knowledge of disaster risk management, with application in developing countries
- Project design and evaluation skills; project implementation and management skills a plus
- Ability to work with multicultural and multidisciplinary groups, and to communicate with diverse technical and managerial audiences
- Good writing and oral presentation skills in English and/or Spanish, with ability to systematize information and write documents with little supervision

The post of duty is the IDB Headquarters in Washington, DC, with a one-year appointment.

Applicants should send a cover letter, work sample (maximum 20 pages), CV or résumés no later than 15 December 2006 to:

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