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Government Digital Transformation to Strengthen Competitiveness

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Abstract: Development of a National Information and Communications Technology (ICT) Strategy and Roadmap

Deadline: 4th May 2022

The Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), toward the cost of the Government Digital Transformation to Strengthen Competitiveness Programme and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the above-referenced consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") for the participatory development of a ten-year ICT Strategy and Roadmap, including a detailed three-year implementation plan. The purpose of the ICT Strategy and Roadmap, which will be carried out over a six to nine month period, will be to foster the sustainability of a digital government in The Bahamas beyond the life of Digital Transformation to Strengthen Competitiveness Project.

The main activities of the project will be to:

1. Identify key stakeholders and advise on an appropriate decision-making and stakeholder engagement framework for the planning process.
2. Prepare a Current State Assessment and Gap Analysis Report.
3. Conduct contextual and visioning exercises with key stakeholders to evaluate and confirm the national development goals and priorities that the ICT Strategy and Roadmap will facilitate, and to outline a vision that will contextualize the strategic planning exercise.
4. In consultation with key stakeholders, develop strategic pillars, priorities, and objectives, and produce a ten-year ICT Strategy and Roadmap with the supporting performance management framework.
5. Propose an appropriate governance framework for implementation of the Strategy and Roadmap.
6. Develop a detailed three-year implementation plan for the execution of the strategy that should include supporting guidelines for: monitoring and evaluation, sizing financial and technical resources, change management, capacity development and for periodic review and improvement of the planning framework.

Desired firms and their proposed project team should have experience with:

- Developing time-bound ICT development/ digital transformation strategies for governments and public sector organizations with supporting performance management frameworks. Experience in developing such strategies for countries in the Caribbean region or for other Small Island Developing States (SIDS) is desirable.
- Implementing whole-of-government and results-based planning methodologies involving appropriate stakeholder engagement mechanisms.
- Developing detailed implementation plans for execution of ICT/digital transformation strategies.

The *Office of The Prime Minister* now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the relevant experience and expertise to perform the Services. At minimum, interested firms should indicate:

- The number of years of relevant experience of the firm.
- References to ICT /digital transformation strategies and implementation plans completed (or being developed) by the firm, which should include published weblinks (where applicable).

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 or a sub-consultancy 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 (QCBS)* method set out in the Consultant Policies. The EOI responses will be evaluated, and the top five (5) firms will advance and receive copies of the RFP.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours: *0900 to 1700 hours Eastern Standard Time*.

Expressions of interest must be submitted in a written form, directly addressed to the below via email to **DTUPROCUREMENT@BAHAMAS.GOV.BS** on or before **5:00pm on 4th May 2022**. **LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

ATTENTION: The Permanent Secretary, Department of Transformation and Digitization, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Cecil Wallace-Whitfield Centre, West Bay Street, MARKED FOR: Development of a National ICT Strategy and Roadmap.