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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES

Consultancy to conduct pesticide survey and water sediment quality study in district Nickerie, Suriname

Institution: Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries (LVV)/ Ministry of Finance and Planning.

Country: Suriname

Project: Sustainable Agriculture Productivity Program

Sector: Agricultural Sector

Abstract: The call for expressions of interest has the explicit purpose of compiling a short list of Consultancy firms to conduct pesticide survey and water sediment quality study in district Nickerie, Suriname.

Loan No.: SU-L1052

Deadline: November 11, 2022

The Government of Suriname has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), toward the cost of the Sustainable Agriculture Productivity Program and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting

services.

Objectives of the Consultancy

The main purpose of this Assignment is to undertake a chemical Pesticide Study in district Nickerie, Suriname, in agricultural areas mostly used for cultivation of (but not limited to) rice, including any potentially affected surrounding residential areas. The consultant is expected to conduct an assessment evaluating the level of pesticide contamination in selected areas in particular: water, soil and sediment quality, including a field sampling and analysis program to monitor environmental contamination. The Study must take into consideration the conditions during wet and dry seasons of the year. The consultancy will be conducted in 2023. The duration is planned for approximately **75 working days** over a 12-month period, with an expected commencement date of **March 2023.**

The Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries (LVV) 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.

REQUIREMENT OF THE FIRM

The Firm should possess the following:

1. The consultancy firm should demonstrate at least 10 years of experience in both aspects of the study – agricultural and environmental assessments in developing countries.
2. Evidence of work in the past five (5) on assessments focused on pesticide management and impacts in agriculture and human health (must present written client reference on assignments previously undertaken detailing quality of service and reports submitted).
3. Consultant and supporting staff must work in line with IDB safeguards / Policy Framework, i.e. performance standards for Health, Safety, Environment, Security and Community (HSESC), and Contractor Management. Consultant and staff must be aware of these HSESC related policies and protocols, including Safeguards against Gender-based violence (GBV), sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA), and to ensure respect for workers' rights, Indigenous peoples and biodiversity conservation and supporting procedures including COVID-19 prevention protocols. Please visit: https://www.iadb.org/en/mpas.
4. The consultant's team will consist of personnel with the necessary competencies to perform work according to standard.
5. The consultant and their field survey team must have a clear understanding of the relevant local legal and regulatory requirements. Under the current circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic risk-based measures should be in place in accordance with the prevention protocols of the Suriname Government Public Health authorities.

Short lists shall comprise firms with a wide geographic spread not fewer than five (5) and not more than eight (8) eligible firms.

FAILURE TO SUBMIT DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE OF THE ABOVE WILL DEEM APPLICATIONS INCOMPLETE AND WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Interested firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required managerial and technical capabilities, qualifications, and relevant experiences to perform the Services. Evaluation will be based on the following: General Background and Organization; General Experience; Similar Experience; and Adequacy for the Assignment.

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-Based Selection (QBS)* method set out in the Consultant Policies.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours **07:30 to 15:00** hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **November 11, 2022**

NO COST PROPOSAL SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS EOI.

Ministry of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Fisheries

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Attachments:

https://devbusiness.un.org/system/files/Final%20Expressions_of_Interest_Firms%20_pesticide%20survey%20a