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Title: Request for Expression of Interest

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

CONSULTING SERVICES – FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR:

1. **OISTINS WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS;**
2. **BRIDGETOWN TOURIST URBAN ROUTE, TRAM TOUR OF HISTORIC BRIDGETOWN AND ITS GARRISON AND UPGRADES TO TREVOR'S WAY;**
3. **PEDESTRIANISATION OF ST. LAWRENCE GAP WITH THE POSSIBLE OPERATION OF A TRAM SERVICE; AND**
4. **UPGRADES TO THE CRICKET LEGENDS OF BARBADOS MUSEUM.**

Institution: Inter-American Development Bank

Country: BARBADOS

Project: NATIONAL TOURISM PROGRAM

Sector: TOURISM

Abstract: To conduct an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and develop an associated Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) for (1) Oistins Waterfront Improvements; and Environmental and Social

Assessment (ESA) and develop an associated Environmental and Social Management Plan for the following projects: (2) Bridgetown Tourist Urban Route, Tram Tour of Historic Bridgetown and Its Garrison, and Upgrades to Trevor's Way; (3) Pedestrianisation of St. Lawrence Gap with the Possible Operation of a Tram Service; and (4) Upgrades to the Cricket Legends of Barbados Museum.

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Contract/Bid No.: NTP – 1.2.3; 1.4.3; 1.5.2; 1.6.3 and 1.7.3

Deadline: 4:30 p.m., Wednesday February 15, 2023

1. The Government of Barbados has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank, toward the cost of the National Tourism Program (NTP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
2. The consulting services ("the Services") for which qualified **Consulting Firms** will be invited to submit proposals to enter into a Framework Agreement which is intended to cover the following locations and activities,

(i) Project 1: Oistins Waterfront Improvements

The consulting services include, but are not limited to undertaking Data Analysis and an Initial Diagnosis, developing the ESIA and preparing the ESMP, and conducting stakeholder engagement and consultation for the participatory Design Process.

This consultancy is tentatively expected to commence **October 2023** for a duration of approximately **six (6) months**.

(ii) Project 2: Bridgetown Tourist Urban Route, Tram Tour of Historic Bridgetown and Its Garrison and Upgrades to Trevor's Way

The consulting services include, but are not limited to undertaking Data Analysis and an Initial Diagnosis, developing the ESA and preparing the ESMP, and conducting stakeholder engagement and consultation for the participatory Design Process.

This consultancy is tentatively expected to commence **July 2023** for a duration of approximately **four (4) months.**

(iii) Project 3: Pedestrianisation of St. Lawrence Gap with the possible Operation of a Tram Service

The consulting services include, but are not limited to undertaking Data Analysis and an Initial Diagnosis, developing the ESA and preparing the ESMP, and conducting stakeholder engagement and consultation for the participatory Design Process.

This consultancy is tentatively expected to commence **October 2023** for a duration of approximately **four (4) months**.

(iv) Project 4: Upgrades to the Cricket Legends of Barbados Museum

The consulting services include, but are not limited to undertaking Data Analysis and an Initial Diagnosis, developing the ESA and preparing the ESMP, and conducting stakeholder engagement and consultation for the participatory Design Process.

This consultancy is tentatively expected to commence **October 2023** for a duration of approximately **four (4) months**.

3. The Government of Barbados through the Project Executing Unit (PEU) of the Ministry of Tourism and International Transport now invites eligible **Consulting Firms ("Consultants")** to submit their Expressions of Interest with respect to providing the referenced consultancy services.

4. Interested firms shall provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. Interested Firms must provide the following documentation/information to establish or to

illustrate their competence in the performance of the services required:

i. General background of the consulting firm;

ii. Evidence to show general experience of the Firm in Consultancy services over the last ten (10) years and specifically, experience in consultancy services of a similar nature over the last seven (7) years, with at least three (3) references from clients who have received these services. The information for the references must contain full contact details for each reference inclusive of names, addresses and telephone numbers. Experience in assessing environmental and social management issues would be an asset.

iii. Availability of the relevant qualified staff who have at least ten (10) years' professional experience in the following areas:

a. Preparation of ESA Reports and ESMPs or similar reports/plans for similar projects.

b. Conducting stakeholder engagement and consultation with various interest groups

5. Selection of the Consultant for each assignment will be undertaken through the Quality Based Selection (QBS) method 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 http://idbdocs.iadb.org/wsdocs/getdocument.aspx?docnum=EZSHARE-1132444900-23306 **and is open to all eligible Consulting Firms or Consortia as defined in the policies**.

6. Framework Agreements (FA) will be concluded with more than one Consultant. The selection of a FA Consultant to be awarded a Call-off Contract will be done through a Secondary selection as defined in the Framework Agreement. However, the conclusion of a Framework Agreement shall not impose any obligation on the Procuring Agency to procure the consulting services under a Call-off Contract. The conclusion of a Framework Agreement does not guarantee that a consultant in the Framework Agreement will be awarded a Call-off Contract. However, the intention of this FA is to have a reasonable pool of consultants to distribute the assignments described at paragraph 3.

7. 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 shortlist, 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.

8. The successful applicant for each consultancy will be required to enter in to a Contract drawn up by or in the form approved by the Solicitor General or another Legal Officer in the Public Service approved by the Solicitor General.

9. A surety for the due performance of the contracts will be required by one of the methods listed below:

- By way of a deposit of a sum of money with the Treasury or approved securities to the value of not less than 10 percent of the contract price; or

- By way of a bank or accredited Insurance Company whose liability shall be not less than 10 percent of the contract price

10. All Corporate Tenderers should include with their application a copy of the company's Certificate of Incorporation and Articles of Incorporation as evidence that the company is an existing registered company as at the date of application. The Certificate must be in the name of the applicant.

11. Where the Certificate or Articles of Incorporation have not been submitted at the date of the opening, the applicant will be given a maximum of two (2) weeks to meet this obligation. Failure to submit the documents within the extended period would render the application void.

12. Local Tenderers are advised that the Certificate of Incorporation referred above means a Certificate of Incorporation issued under the 1985 Companies Act of Barbados or where applicable a Certificate of Amendment. Certificates must be dated after December 31, 1984.

13. Any firm incorporated outside of Barbados which is awarded a contract, will be required to be registered in Barbados as an External company under the 'Companies Act of Barbados' CAP. 308, found at https://www.investbarbados.org prior to the commencement of the contract. Information on the requirements as an external company can be obtained from the Corporate Affairs and Intellectual Property Office (CAIPO), Ground Floor, Baobab Towers, Warrens, St. Michael, Barbados, Telephone No: (246) 535-2401, E-mail Address: general@caipo.gov.bb OR request@caipo.gov.bb. Interested firms, which are required to be registered, must note that the registration process may be lengthy, and shall therefore commence this process as soon as possible.

14.Tenderers must be aware that the Labour Clauses (Public Contracts) Act Cap.349 shall, in so far as is applicable to the tenderer, apply to any contract made in respect of the tender. Full details of the conditions of this Act, Cap.349 may be obtained from the Chief Labour Officer, Warrens Office Complex, Warrens, St. Michael or via the ILO database of labour legislation website http://www.ilo.org/dyn/natlex/docs/ELECTRONIC/51892/74898/F417969845/BRB5182.pdf. Consulting Firms should submit the certificate required by paragraph 3 of the schedule to the Act with their tender.

15. **Interested Consultants can obtain further information by submitting an e-mail to tourismpeu@tourism.gov.bb during the hours of 8:15 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., Mondays to Fridays, except on Public Holidays.**

16. **Expressions of Interest may be submitted electronically or delivered manually. Expressions of Interest submitted electronically must be prepared in English and clearly marked "Request for Expressions of Interest – Framework Agreement - Consultancy Services for an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment for (1) Oistins Waterfront Improvements Project; and Environmental and Social Assessments for the following projects: (2) Bridgetown Tourist Urban Route, Tram Tour of Historic Bridgetown and Its Garrison and Upgrades to Trevor's Way Projects; (3) Pedestrianisation of St. Lawrence Gap with the possible operation of a Tram Service Project; and (4) Upgrades to the Cricket Legends of Barbados Museum Project for the Ministry of Tourism and International Transport" and submitted electronically to email address GPD.SpecialSubmissions@barbados.gov.bb no later than 4:30 p.m. Barbados time, on Wednesday February 15, 2023.**

17. Where Expressions of Interest are submitted in **hard copy,** one (1) original copy must be prepared in **English** and an electronic copy [USB, Flash Drive] clearly marked **"Request for Expressions of Interest – Framework Agreement - Consultancy Services for an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment for (1) Oistins Waterfront Improvements; and Environmental and Social Assessments for the following projects: (2) Bridgetown Tourist Urban Route, Tram Tour of Historic Bridgetown and Its Garrison and Upgrades to Trevor's Way Projects; (3) Pedestrianisation of St. Lawrence Gap with the possible operation of a Tram Service; and (4) Upgrades to the Cricket Legends of Barbados Museum Project for the Ministry of Tourism and International Transport"** and placed in the Tenders Box in a sealed envelope at **Address** below, no later than 4:30 p.m. Barbados time, on **Wednesday February 15, 2023.**

Address
The Chairman
Special Tenders Committee
Government Procurement Department
Holborn Circle
Fontabelle
St. Michael BB11145
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1. Applications that do not comply with the conditions set out in this Notice will not be considered.

2. Late submissions will not be accepted.

3. Applicants will be advised of the results of their application in due course.

4. The Government of Barbados reserves the right to accept or reject any application received.

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