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Title: Consulting Services to Develop a National Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategic Action Plan for Barbados

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MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND BUSINESS

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

CONSULTING SERVICES TO DEVELOP A NATIONAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY POLICY AND STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN FOR BARBADOS

Institution: Inter-American Development Bank and the European Union

Country: BARBADOS

Project: SUSTAINABLE ENERGY INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

Sector: ENERGY

Abstract: To develop a National Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategic Action Plan as a roadmap to implementing legislation, policies and programs toward achieving Barbados' goals of moving from a fossil fuel-based economy to one based principally on renewable energy sources.

Loan Contract No. 4865/OC - BA

Grant No.: GRT/ER-17578-BA

Contract/Bid No.: SEIP – 3.3.1.1

Deadline: **4:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 22, 2023**

1. This Expression of Interest (EOI) follows the General Procurement Notice for the Sustainable Energy Investment Programme (SEIP), which appeared in *Development Business* with DB reference number - DB-P725412-04/21 on *April 26, 2021.*

2. The Government of Barbados, with the assistance of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), has developed a Sustainable Energy Framework for Barbados (SEFB). Within this framework, a Sustainable Energy Investment Program (Smart Fund II) was developed to focus on investment initiatives for Renewable Energy (RE) and Energy Efficiency (EE) in the private and public sectors. The Ministry of Energy and Business (The Ministry), the central public sector agency with responsibility for the Energy Sector, is the executing Agency for the Program.

3. The Government has received funding from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and the European Union (EU) towards the cost of the Program and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under the Contract for which this Expression of Interest (EOI) is issued.

4. The Country presently lacks a comprehensive, cohesive strategy to encourage the wide-scale adoption and deployment of energy efficiency technologies and programs. In this regard, the Ministry is seeking to engage a **Consulting Firm** to develop a National Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategic Action Plan as a roadmap to implementing legislation, policies and programs toward achieving Barbados' goals of being a carbon-neutral state by 2030. The firm shall have the requisite experience in multi-sectoral planning and development including the development of country-level indicators which focus on energy efficiency.

5. The scope of the consultancy includes but is not limited to:

    i. Determining the present status of energy-efficient technologies in Barbados, energy consumption trends and current adoption rates through the execution of a baseline study.
    ii. Developing a methodological framework and roadmap that includes determining energy efficiency milestones and targets, associated investment costs and expected savings, minimum energy performance standards, benchmarks and energy efficiency indicators for the sectors.
    iii. Developing a national-level action plan that outlines a process of activities, responsible parties and expected outcomes that are in line with the roadmap.
    iv. Identifying opportunities, barriers and challenges to attaining the energy efficiency goals.

6. Key experts necessary for the assignments include:

Project Manager/Lead:

- A Degree in Engineering, Energy, or a related field
- At least 5 years of postgraduate experience working in the development of national energy efficiency frameworks or action plans

Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist

- At least 5 years of relevant experience in developing and implementing M&E frameworks, with experience in energy M&E systems
- At least 3 years of experience in energy efficiency scenario modelling, including assessment of technical and economical potentials for energy efficiency.

7. The Government of Barbados, through the Project Executing Unit (PEU) of the Ministry, now invites eligible C**onsulting Firms** to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested **firms** should provide information demonstrating that they have the relevant experience and qualifications to perform the Services. Information submitted should include relevant work experience in the region, experience in projects of similar scope, complexity and technical specialisation and availability of staff to perform the Service.

8. Eligibility to participate in this consultancy is extended to **consulting firms** from IDB member countries and non-IDB member countries which are eligible under EU financed projects[1].

9. Interested **firms** may contact the Ministry at **Address two (2)** below for information in respect of the services during office hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday **(except on Public Holidays).**

10. A **Consulting Firm** will be selected in accordance with Section III as set out in the *Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank GN-2350-15* and is open to all bidders from eligible countries under IDB and EU Policies. Quality Based Selection (QBS) will be the method used in the selection of a successful firm.

11. In consideration of the recommendation of contract award, a shortlist of those firms expressing interest will be established and invited to submit Technical and Price Proposals. The Price Proposal of the firm with the highest ranked Technical Proposal will be opened to facilitate negotiations for award of the contract.

12. The successful Tenderer will be required to enter into a contract drawn up by or in the form approved by the Solicitor General or another Legal Officer in the Public Service approved by her. A surety for the due performance of the contract will be required by one of the methods listed below:

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

- By way of a Bank or accredited Insurance Company whose liability shall be not less than ten percent (10%) of the contract price.

13. All Corporate Tenderers should include with their tender 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 Tenderer.

14. Where the Certificate or Articles of Incorporation have not been submitted at the date of the opening, the tenderer 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.

15. Local tenderers are advised that the Certificate of Incorporation referred to at paragraph 13 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.

16. Tenderers should be aware that the Labour Clause (Public Contracts) ACT CAP 349 shall in so far as is applicable to the tender, apply to any contract made in respect of the tender. Full details of the conditions of the ACT CAP 349 may be obtained from the Government Printer, Government Printing Department, Bay Street, St. Michael.

17. 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'. Information on the requirements for registering 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. +1 (246)535-2401, general@caipo.gov.bb; request@caipo.gov.bb. Bidders are advised to familiarize themselves with the requirements for registration to facilitate a seamless contracting process.

18. Expressions of interest may be submitted electronically or delivered manually. Expressions of Interest submitted **electronically** must be prepared in English clearly marked "**Request for Expressions of Interest – Consultancy Services to Develop a National Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategic Action Plan for Barbados"** and submitted electronically to the e-mail address GPD.SpecialSubmissions@barbados.gov.bb no later than 4:30 p.m. Barbados time on **Wednesday, February 22, 2023.**

19. Where Expressions of Interest are submitted in **hard copy**, one (1) original, one (1) copy and an electronic copy [USB, Flash Drive] or another non-editable format, clearly marked **"Request for Expressions of Interest - Consultancy Services to Develop a National Energy Efficiency Policy and Strategic Action Plan for Barbados",** must be prepared in English and placed in the Tenders Box in a sealed envelope at **Address (1)** below, no later than 4:30 p.m. Barbados time, on **Wednesday, February 22, 2023**.

Address (1)	**Address (2)**
Chairman, Special Tenders Committee	The Programme Manager
Government Procurement Department	Sustainable Energy Investment Program

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20. Late submissions will not be accepted.

21. No application will be considered unless it complies with the conditions set out in this notice.

22. Tenderers will be advised of the results of their applications in due course.

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

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[1] **1The EC publishes the list of eligible countries (or any updates thereto) as an annex to the "Practical Guide to Contract Procedures for EU External Actions" (the"PRAG") which is available on its Internet website.**

Attachments:

https://devbusiness.un.org/system/files/FINAL%20EOI%20-%20EE%20Action%20Plan%201%2027%202023%20Published.pdf