

**TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO**  
**TRADE SECTOR SUPPORT PROGRAM**  
**Sector: Finance**  
**ENGAGEMENT OF A CHIEF TECHNICAL ADVISOR**  
**Loan No. 1454/OC-TT**

The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (GORTT) through the Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) has negotiated a loan in the amount of US\$ 5 million from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to finance the implementation of a program designed to help the country meet the challenges posed by participation in international negotiations.

Beyond the negotiations, implementation of the program will help the Ministry to establish a sustainable capacity to participate in the required follow up activity - monitoring of progress and compliance, dispute resolution, participation in subsequent bilateral and regional negotiations, the establishment of systems to support the private sector, and strengthening the export promotion operations of public agencies.

The overall objective of this program is to improve the international trade performance of Trinidad and Tobago. That goal will be met by strengthening the country's technical and institutional capacity to formulate and implement trade policy to participate effectively in trade negotiations, to implement trade agreements, and to increase and diversify exports.

In this regard, the Ministry of Trade and Industry is seeking to engage the services of a Chief Technical Advisor to oversee the implementation of domestic trade policy, the conduct of external negotiations, and manage and institute the requisite institutional reform and modernization of the Ministry of Trade and Industry in the first instance. The Chief Technical Advisor will function as the Chief Advisor to the Permanent Secretary and will plan, organize, direct and coordinate the work program of the Trade and Industry Divisions of the Ministry. This consultancy has the particular goal of strengthening the monitoring, strategy planning and coordinating functions within the Trade Ministry and its trade related agencies.

This consultancy will be of interest to an individual with the following qualifications:

\*Expert in trade and investment related policy work at the professional level including considerable experience in the management of a public sector agency with trade policy formulation and export promotion responsibilities.

\*Training as evidenced by a recognized degree in Economics supplemented by Post Graduate training in at least one of the following areas of specialization: trade policy, trade development, trade law, trade planning and trade promotion, or any equivalent combination of experience and training.

\*Proficiency in English (writing, speaking and reading).

Tender documents, any calls or queries for additional information or clarification should be directed to Acting Permanent Secretary, at the first address below.

Individuals are required to submit their technical and financial proposals: one original and five copies using one envelope clearly marked as follows: "Technical Proposal - Chief Technical Advisor, Ministry of Trade and Industry, IDB Loan No. 1454/OC-TT." One original and five copies using one envelope clearly marked as follows: "Financial Proposal - Chief Technical Advisor, Ministry of Trade and Industry, IDB Loan No. 1454/OC-TT."

The envelopes must be addressed to the Chairman, Central Tenders Board and submitted to the second address below on or before 13 hours on Thursday 20 November 2003.

Technical proposals will be opened at the Board's Offices, in the presence of interested parties wishing to attend, shortly after the bid closing. Late proposals will not be accepted under any circumstances.

The Central Tenders Board does not bind itself to accept any proposal nor will it defray the cost of proposal preparation.

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