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Country: JAMAICA

Project: PRIMARY EDUCATION SUPPORT PROJECT

Sector: Education

TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR MANAGERS AND EDUCATION OFFICERS

Loan No. 1264-OC/JA

Expression of Interest

The Government of Jamaica (GOJ) has secured a loan from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to finance the Primary Education Support Project. The project will support the development and implementation of activities aimed at improving the delivery of primary level education in Jamaica. Part of the proceeds of this loan is to fund payments for the procurement of the services of a specialized institution to work with senior officials of the Ministry of Education, Youth and Culture to design, plan and implement a Management Training Programme over a two-year period.

The Training Programme should have three broad themes made up of eight units:

- *Leadership and the organization

- *Leading and managing others

- *Leadership and self

Each unit will be of nine hours duration and is to be offered over a period of three weeks. It is intended that a cadre of approximately 100 education officers and 80 managers would be trained in groups of 45 over a three-year period. At the end of this period, the programme will be institutionalized for sustainability.

The GOJ now invites eligible specialized institutions or joint venture partnerships from IDB's member country to express their interest in providing the services starting during the 2003 calendar year. Interested entities must submit information, in English, indicating their qualification to perform the services (brochure, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability to appropriate skills among staff, utilization of local consultants, etc.).

Prequalification will be based on eligibility, qualifications, personnel, relevant and applicable experience, and financial capability. Firms will be shortlisted in respect to their responsiveness to the requirements stated and in keeping with the IDB's guidelines.

A shortlist of three to six firms will be prequalified. The prequalified firms will be invited to submit technical and financial proposals. The terms of reference will be made available to the shortlisted firms only.

Interested firms or joint ventures may obtain the prequalification questionnaires, clarification and further information from the Project Manager, Primary Education Support Project, at the address below, or by e-mail. Any firm or joint venture wishing to prequalify must complete the necessary questionnaire. In the case of joint ventures, each firm must submit a separate questionnaire.

The original and four copies of the completed questionnaire, in English, clearly marked "Prequalification for Consulting Services for Literacy Intervention", must be placed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Project Manager and delivered to the address below by 1st September 2003 at 1400 hours (Jamaica time). Late applications will not be considered in any circumstances.

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