

IDB411-704 (OO)

## **BOLIVIA**

### **COUNTRY ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS**

#### **Consulting Services**

#### **PREPARATION OF A COUNTRY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

**Technical Cooperation No. BO-T1064, ATN/NP-10341-BO, Contract amount: US\$ 80,000**

#### **Expressions of Interest (EOI)**

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As part of its Programming process, the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) has committed itself to undertaking Country Environmental Analysis in Bolivia (BR-T). This study will be funded through the Netherlands Partnership Program for the Environment.

The services will require traveling to Bolivia, consulting with key stakeholders and conduct in workshops to obtain agreement over strategic issues and will consist of:

#### **Preparation of a Country Environmental Assessment (CEA)**

The consultancy will: (i) help place environment into the context of development, poverty reduction, competitiveness and other relevant, strategies and goals identified in the country's own development plans and policies and in the IDB's sectoral strategies; (ii) for the key sectors (drivers) of the Bolivian Economy, identify environmental risks and opportunities that demonstrate synergies between good environmental management and economic development; (iii) identify environmental risks, including vulnerability to natural disasters exacerbated by environmental risks, that can jeopardize economic and/or social development; including IDB's financed projects in execution and in the pipeline; and (iv) identify provide timely, practical and relevant environmental information, analysis and recommendations, including indicators and baseline data for monitoring progress in key areas of environmental management. This country-level environmental analysis should be strategic in nature and will focus on targeted sectors or areas that are most relevant in the specific context of Bolivia's economic and social development and its engagement with the IDB. In setting priorities and selecting focal areas for the CEA, the consultant will focus on to the strategic objectives of the Bank's Environment and Safeguard Policy.

According to the IDB's *Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants Financed by the Inter-American Development Bank* (GN-2350-7), approved on July 2006, consulting firms interested in the project are invited to send their EOI by means of a letter demonstrating their qualification to perform the described services. Consultants should emphasize their experience regarding: (i) general consulting experience; (ii) experience with country environmental and social assessment, including assessment of ecosystem, biodiversity, natural resources use, point and non-point source pollution; (iv) working experience in Latin America or countries similar to Bolivia; (v) experience with assessment of country level environmental institution and legal framework and the design and capacity building programs; and (vi) experience with project preparation and program strategic development according to the IDB's policies and procedures. Only projects concluded in the last ten years should be included as references in the EOI. Other project relevant information are: (a) total cost, (b) name and nationality of lead consultant, (c) type of work carried out by the consultant, (d) country, (e) source of financing, and (f) date of completion. The selection method will be Fixed-Budget Selection.

The EOI will be evaluated and the results used to prepare a shortlist of no more than six consulting firms, which will be invited to present technical and price proposals. It is estimated that the firms selected for the shortlist will be informed by 18 June 2007 and invited to present technical and price proposals. At this time the respective terms of reference will be mailed to them. The deadline for receiving the technical and price proposals is estimated to be 20 July 2007.

At this stage the IDB is not asking for formal proposals, nor bids. Interested firms must ensure that their EOI include:

- A letter introducing the firm (indicating contact person's name, position, address, e-mail, and phone, and in the case of consortium/association, it must indicate which firm intends to lead it)
- An indication of the firm's nationality and its legal standing (in the case of consortium/association, it must indicate this information for all firms)

Interested consultants may obtain further information via e-mail (below). All inquiries must be submitted via e-mail. When sending requests for further information the subject line should read "BO-T1064; ATN/NP-10341-BO. Question regarding EOI, name of your company/consortium."

When submitting the EOI the subject line should read "BO-T1064; ATN/NP-10341-BO. Expression of Interest, name of your company/consortium." EOI should be submitted in a single e-mail, and if possible, in one single PDF or Word file.

EOI may be sent by e-mail to the address below up to 1730 hours (Washington, DC, time) on 11 June 2007. The IDB reserves the right not to accept EOI when these are received after the indicated deadline.

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