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SURINAME
STUDIES FOR THE REHABILITATION OF THE AFOBACA ROAD
Consulting Services
TECHNICAL COOPERATION
Expressions of Interest (EOI)
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The Government of Suriname has applied for a technical cooperation from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) to finance the feasibility studies and the preparation of designs for the Rehabilitation of the Afobaka Road. The first segment of this road, between Paramaribo and Paranam, is a paved road with a length of approximately 25 km, and the second segment, between Paranam and Afobaka, is a laterite road with a length of approximately 80 km.

The consulting services will include — but are not limited to — the following: (i) technical and economic feasibility studies, (ii) strategic and specific environmental and socio-cultural impact analysis, and (iii) preparation of technical designs for the rehabilitation of the Afobaka Road. These studies have the following specific objectives: (a) determine the economic viability of alternatives to improve the present condition of the road, (b) prepare the strategic and specific environmental and social impact analyses, and (c) develop technical designs and tendering documents.

The activities related to this consultancy are expected to be grouped into two packages. The first package contains the economic feasibility and the strategic and specific environmental and socio-cultural impact studies, and the second contains the preparation of technical designs and tender documents. The consulting services are to take place primarily in Suriname, especially those pertaining to field activities.

The IDB invites all eligible consulting firms who are interested in providing the services to submit expressions of interest for the execution of the studies described above. Firms should indicate whether the EOI is for package one or two or both packages. Only one EOI is allowed per firm, regardless if the submission is for package one, two or both packages. The documents have to meet the requirements of the IDB.

Interested consulting firms must submit evidence that they are qualified to perform the indicated services, including but not limited to brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions/environments, availability of appropriate skills, etc. The consulting firms must also provide: (i) general information on the firm's name, address, e-mail, phone and fax numbers, and in the case of an association the name of the representative firm; (ii) information on the organization of the firm and its main areas of activity/specialization; and (iii) description of specific experiences in similar projects, within the last ten years. The information requested in (ii) and (iii) should include at the minimum a description of the activities, which includes the degree or percentage of participation in the total work, the execution period and dates, the level of responsibility, and the country location of the project. The curricula vitae of potential personnel to be involved in the studies are not required at this stage.

The selection process will be conducted in accordance with the *Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants of the IDB*, current edition, which are available at the web link below.

Interested consulting firms may obtain further information at the address below from 0900 to 1700 hours. Expressions of interest may be delivered either in electronic form or in hard copy to the following addresses by 1600 hours (Washington, DC) on 17 October 2007.

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