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JAMAICA

AGRICULTURAL SUPPORT SERVICES PROJECT - UPDATE

Consultants

IMPLEMENTATION OF AN ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

Procurement of Consulting Services

Invitation for Prequalification

Loan No. 1283/OC-JA

This Invitation for Prequalification is related to a previous notice published in *UN Development Business* online (under Ref. No. 727-IDB465) on 8 May 2008. Due to the new information, this invitation for prequalification is replacing the previous one which is being canceled.

The Government of Jamaica has received a loan from the Inter-American Development Bank toward the cost of the Agricultural Support Services Project, and it intends to apply part of the loan proceeds to payments under the contract for the Implementation of an Animal Identification System Consultancy for which this invitation for prequalification is issued. Prequalification is open to applicants from eligible countries of the IDB.

The Agricultural Support Services Project now invites sealed applications for the national animal identification system consultancy aimed at guiding the Ministry of Agriculture in the implementation of a national animal identification system for Jamaica. Activities include:
*Defining and documenting the proposed national animal identification system. The current focus is on cattle; however, the prototype developed must be applicable to other species of farm animals.

*Determining the economic cost and impact of the national animal identification system with recommendations for financing

*Assisting in the drafting of appropriate legislation and regulations aimed at facilitating the national animal identification system

*Designing a detailed implementation plan for the national animal identification system

*Guiding the initial start of the tagging process in at least two species

The consultant should have the following:

--Experience in project development

--Experience in / knowledge of animal identification systems in developing countries

--Strong capabilities in information technologies and legislation development

Interested eligible applicants may obtain further information from Agricultural Support Services Project and inspect the prequalification documents at the address below, from 0830 to 1800 hours as of July 21, 2008.

The prequalification documents, in English, may be obtained by interested applicants on the submission of a written application to the address below. The documents will be sent by e-mail or courier service. (The prospective consultant must make the necessary contacts and payments directly with the courier service.) No liability will be accepted for loss or late delivery.

Completed prequalification documents must be placed in a plain envelope clearly marked "Animal Identification System Consultancy in Jamaica – Do not open before 10:15 hours Friday, August 22, 2008."

Prequalification documents must be placed in the tender box at the office of the Facility and Property Management Division, Ministry of Agriculture at or before 1000 hours on Friday, August 22, 2008. Late applications will not be considered. Documents will be opened in the presence of the applicants' representatives who chose to attend on at 10:15 hours on August 22, 2008 in the Conference Room, Facility and Property Management Division, Ministry of Agriculture, Hope Gardens, Kingston, Jamaica

The Agricultural Support Services Project will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by applicants in connection with the preparation or delivery of applications.

In the comparison of applications, only and all those factors, methods, and criteria specified in Section III, Evaluation Criteria, will be used in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the instructions to applicants.

Applicants will be advised in due course of the result of their applications. Only applicants prequalified under this process will be invited to bid under the international competitive bidding for the consulting services.

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