

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
NATIONAL INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY PLAN
Sector: information technology
PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION ASSISTANCE

The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (GORTT) approved the establishment of consultative arrangements under the ambit and guidance of the Ministry of Public Administration and Information for the preparation of a National Information and Technology (ICT) Plan. The Plan was finalized and launched in December 2003 and contains 14 programs and about 100 associated projects that are to be implemented as part of the National ICT agenda.

The National ICT Plan is now referred to as fastforward and is scheduled to be implemented by 2008. The GORTT is currently having ongoing discussions with the Inter American Development Bank with regard to seeking funding support for the implementation of fastforward. Information regarding fastforward and all of its associated programmes and projects may be found at the web site below.

In this regard, the Ministry of Public Administration and Information wishes to issue prequalification documents for the identification and selection of suitably qualified consulting firms to work with the Ministry and other partner organizations in implementing the following projects:

- Project 1: Engagement of a consulting firm to assist with the Design and Pilot Implementation of the Community Access Project
- Project 2: Engagement of a consulting firm to assist with Promotion and Awareness of Trinidad and Tobago's fastforward Agenda
- Project 3: Engagement of a consulting firm to assist in the e-business development of an Online SME B2B marketplace and supporting activities

Interested consulting firms may obtain the prequalification documents and further information from the addresses below between 0800 1600 hours (local time).

Firms are requested to submit their prequalification submissions (original and five copies) using two envelopes clearly marked "Prequalification for Consulting Services for the Implementation of NICT Plan for the Ministry of Public Administration and Information – Project 1, 2 or 3".

The GORTT is seeking to prequalify from three to six firms for each of the three above-referenced projects.

Envelopes must be delivered to the second address below and be deposited in the brown tenders box located in the lobby of the Board's Office at or before 1300 hours on Thursday, 2 September 2004. Prequalification submissions will be opened shortly after the closing at the Board's Office in the presence of the applicants who choose to attend. Late submissions will not be accepted.

The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago reserves the right to cancel the prequalification process in its entirety or partially without defraying any cost incurred by individuals submitting proposals.

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