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SUPPORT TO CRNM IN PREPARING FOR AND UNDERTAKING THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY'S EXTERNAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

Consulting Services

MARKET ACCESS CONSULTANT

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Expressions of Interest

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The Caribbean Regional Negotiating Machinery (CRNM) has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) toward the cost of the Support to the Caribbean Regional Negotiating Machinery (RNM) in Preparing for and Undertaking of the Caribbean Community's External Trade Negotiations, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services in market access.

The general objective of the project is to enable CARICOM member states to effectively negotiate multilateral, regional and bilateral trade agreements, thereby facilitating their successful integration into the global economy. To achieve the above mentioned objectives, the project includes two components:

Strengthening the technical capacity of the CRNM

Strengthening the CRNM's capacity to facilitate member states' participation in negotiations

The CRNM now invites suitably eligible consultants to express their interest in providing the services for the consultancy of market access consultant. Interested individuals must submit information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).

Consultants' qualifications, skills and experience should ideally include the following:

- Postgraduate degree at Masters level or higher in Trade Economics or a relevant field
- General experience of at least eight years, as of the date of graduation with a bachelor's degree
- Specific experience of at least five years in analyzing market access provisions in regional trade agreements and their impacts on trade and investment, preferably through the use of statistical and econometric applications
- Prior experience in advising member states in market access negotiations preferred
- At least five years of experience in the Caribbean region required
- Fluency in English (Knowledge of Spanish and French languages will be an additional asset.)

Interested consultants must be citizens or bona fide residents of IDB member countries and their eligible territories and dependencies. Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the *Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank* (GN-2220-10), which may be obtained at the IDB Web site (www.iadb.org).

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the CRNM's Web site below. Expressions of interest and curriculum vitae must be sent to the address below by 3 November 2006.

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