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**BRAZIL**  
**HEMISPHERIC SUSTAINABLE ENERGY AND TRANSPORTATION FUND**  
**Consulting Services**  
**DEVELOPING A SMALL HYDRO POWER GENERATION PROJECT PIPELINE**  
**TC No. ATN/DO-9013-BR**  
**Expressions of Interest (EOI)**

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*The Fundação Apoio ao Ensino, Pesquisa e Extensão de Itajubá*, through the *Centro Nacional de Referência em Pequenos Aproveitamentos Hidroenergéticos* (CERPCH) has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) toward the cost of Developing a Small Hydro Power (SHP) Generation Project Pipeline, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The services will focus on: (i) improving and further developing the existing SHP project pipeline of the CERPCH; (ii) helping its interface with private investors and public entities; and (iii) developing technical and commercial terms and conditions necessary for successful implementation of such projects.

During the estimated 6-month period of execution of this TC, a team of technical, financial and commercial experts to be provided by the selected company will review CERPCH's existing SHP project pipeline and will work with potential project developers to advance a series of projects closer to conclusion. The financial options to be considered for the implementation of the projects are loans to the public and/or private sector through IDB or the Inter-American Investment Corporation focusing on achieving commercial success and diversifying the risk to investors in several ways. As a result of the technical assistance, a viable project pipeline developed with the private sector and/or public entities, through CERPCH, would be on place and alternative financial structures for SHP would be evaluated for most promising projects.

The IDB now invites eligible consultants to express their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must submit information establishing 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 may associate to enhance their qualifications. Although EOIs may be sent in English, companies must be aware that the working language of the consultancy will be Portuguese, and that reports must also be presented in that language.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the IDB's *Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank*, current edition. The method of selection will be under a fixed budget. The budget for the consultancy is US\$ 110,000.

Interested consultants may address any questions related to the consultancy in electronic form to IDB (first e-mail addresses below) by close of business (COB) 17 April 2006. The IDB will reply any question or comment received from the consulting firms by COB 21 April 2006.

EOIs must be sent by e-mail to the last address below by COB 30 April 2006. Should a company have difficulty presenting offers by e-mail, three hard copies of the EOI must be delivered to the address below, also by COB 30 April 2006 (Brazilian time).

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