

**BRAZIL**  
**Regional Transportation Planning Information System**  
**(TC-9811896-BR)**

**ANWERS TO QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS RECEIVED FROM CONSULTING**  
**FIRMS REGARDING THE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

**MARCH 10, 2004**

**Question 1** - I would like to know if the IDB has any indication of specialized Japanese companies that are interested in participating of the Technical Cooperation (TC-9811896-BR), aiming at the formation of consortia with our company.

*Answer 1 – No. The IDB does not maintain a list of specialized Japanese companies interested in participating in this technical cooperation.*

**Question 2** – We wonder when the actual deadline of submission of EOI is. According to the 1st page of the "Procurement Notice", the deadline is January 31, 2004. On the other hand, that date is shown a February 28, 2004 on the last page. Please verify the exact deadline, whether 31 Jan. or 28 Feb.

*Answer 2 – The date for submission has been extended. Expressions of Interest must be received no later than 16:00 hours (Washington, DC time) on 27 March 2004.*

**Question 3** - What is the current status of this project? When do you expect the project to be approved and implemented? What kinds of services or goods are expected to be contracted for this project? Would you need individual consultants or firms? for which activities? What is the approximate length of contracts (for individuals or firms)? Could you please provide me with the contact person in Brazil (name, phone number and email address) for matters regarding this project?

*Answer 3 – The TC is in the final stages of approval by the Bank. The firms listed and invited to submit proposals will receive the necessary information that will enable them to prepare the technical and financial proposal. These same firms will be informed of the contact person in Brazil, which they may optionally contact for additional information.*

**Question 4** – I would kindly ask you to provide me with your telephone number at the Inter -American Development Bank Brazil for contact.

*Answer 4 – To contact us for any matters we request to do so by e-mail or fax.*

**Question 5** - Could you please send us the contact information for the person responsible for this project in Brazilian Transportation Planning Agency ?

*Answer 5 – Please refer to Answer 3.*

**Question 6** - Who is going to lead the purchasing process: the IDB in Washington or a local Brazilian Office as it is the case for ANTT?

*Answer 6 – As stated in the announcement: “Contracting will be done directly between IDB and the selected firm”.*

**Question 7** - Is it possible that a Brazilian company leads the proposal, with or without a Japanese company? In the case that a Brazilian company takes part in a consortium led by a Japanese company, or under subcontract, is it necessary to send their pre-qualifications documents? Or just the consortium leader is required to send pre-qualifications documents.

*Answer 7 – The lead firm must be a Japanese consulting firm. The Expressions of Interest will be evaluated based on the information provided. All information that provides an indication of the capabilities of a consortium should be included.*

**Question 8** - Gostaria de confirmar se esta EOI devera ser enviada por email para voces (em duas copias?), sendo que para Washington devera ser por correio. Alem disto, gostaria de confirmar se teria sido necessario encaminhar quaisquer duvidas (ate o dia 31/1/2004) para ser considerado elegivel para esta proposta (o que acredito não ser o caso).

*Answer 8 – As cópias deverão ser enviadas por correio. Não é necessário o encaminhamento de dúvidas até o dia 31/1/2004 para ser considerado elegível.*

**Question 9** - I would like to confirm whether this Expression of Interest is due by post to Washington and to Brazil (in 2 copies each). The Procurement Notice only shows an email for Brazil (and no postal address). I have however, found the postal address in the IADB web site, but want to make sure whether they (in Brazil) expect hard or electronic copies. Mailing Address: Setor de Embaixadas Norte; Quadra 802 Conjunto F; Lote 39 - Asa Norte; 70.800-400 Brasília, D.F.; Brazil.

*Answer 9 – Two copies of the EOI should be sent by mail to both IDB Washington and IDB Brazil.*

**Question 10** - Por favor, me envie, caso voce tenha, endereco de fisico aqui no Brasil.

*Answer 10 – Preferimos que todos os contatos sejam feitos por e-mail ou por fax.*

**Question 11** - In the project description document there is a statement that says "The answers to the questions received will be posted on the web site [www.iadb.org](http://www.iadb.org)". However, we could not find the answers and the questions for this project in the web. Would you please let us know how to find both the questions and the answers in the web?

*Answer 11 – All the information that is needed for the development of the EOI is contained in the Procurement Notice and in this document which contains the answers to the various questions raised.*

**Question 12a** - We are considering to submit our Expression of Interest for Regional Transportation Planning Information System (TC-9811896-BR). I have some questions regarding the following condition in the notice: i) A Japanese firm must be the principal or the leader (in the case of a joint venture)?; ii) The other firms of the

joint venture, must be from IDB's borrowing member countries?; iii) Do "IDB's borrowing member countries" refer to Latin American and the Caribbean countries?

**Question 12b** – The Procurement Notice says that: "A Japanese firm must be the principal or the leader (in the case of a joint venture). The other firms of the joint ventures must be from IDB's borrowing member countries." In your website, I verified that: <http://www.iadb.org/europe/nonregional.htm> "The IDB is owned by 46 member countries: 26 borrowing countries in Latin America and the Caribbean and 20 nonborrowing countries, including 16 European countries...". I wonder if we could please clarify ?.

*Answer 12 – As stated in the Procurement Notice, a Japanese firm must be the principal or the leader. In the case of a joint venture and/or sub-contracting (including individual consultants), these must be from IDB borrowing member countries, which are the 26 borrowing countries in Latin America and the Caribbean.*

**Question 13** - I work for a nonprofit organization. I am trying to find Japanese consulting firms that are interested in teaming up with US or Brazilian firms to go after the project below, and I am finding it pretty hard. Any comments?

*Answer 13 – Please refer to the answer of Question 1.*

**Question 14** - My question is a clarification as to whether the experience is taken into account, when: i) the subcontractor is a company; and ii) the subcontractors are individuals.

*Answer 14 – All the information regarding the capabilities of the consortium will be taken into consideration for the selection of the consulting firms that will be included in the short list. It is expected that the lead Japanese company possesses the core expertise and that the additional participants enhance and complement it.*