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**BARBADOS**

**INSTITUTIONAL STRENGTHENING OF THE SAVINGS AND LOAN COOPERATIVES SECTOR**

**Sector: Finance**

**GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE**

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The Barbados Cooperatives Credit Union League Ltd. has received financing in the amount of US\$ 840,000 from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) / Multilateral Investment Fund toward the cost of the Institutional Strengthening of the Savings and Loan Cooperatives Sector of Barbados, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, related services and consulting services to be procured under this project.

The goal of the project is to improve and strengthen the capacity of Barbados' credit unions to provide financial services to low- and mid-income families through strengthening the credit union sector. The project will have two components: (i) Strengthening of at least 20 Credit Unions and the League, and (ii) Strengthening the Capacity of the Regulator to Undertake Risk-Focused Supervision.

Procurement of contracts financed by the IDB will be conducted in accordance with its *Policies for Procurement of Works and Goods* (GN-2349-4), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies. Consulting services will be selected and contracted in accordance with IDB's *Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants* (GN-2350-6).

For contracts to be bid under the IDB's international competitive bidding (ICB) procedures and for consultants' contracts expected to cost US\$ 200,000 equivalent or more, specific procurement notices and requests for expressions of interest will be advertised in *UN Development Business* and in the IDB Web Site.

Prequalification of suppliers and contractors will be required for the following consulting services contracts:

- Institutional Strengthening of the Credit Unions and the League, to include technical assistance in implementing a program of training, by international competitive bidding in the 4th quarter 2006, for an estimated cost of US\$ 605,000
- Improving the capacity of the Regulator, to include training and technical assistance in risk-based supervision, in the 4th quarter 2006, for an estimated cost of US\$ 270,000
- Study of insurance company, by national competitive bidding in the 4th quarter of 2007, for an estimated cost of US\$ 20,000
- Mid-term and final evaluations, by national competitive bidding in the 3rd quarter of 2008, for an estimated cost of US\$ 30,000
- Environment Sensitivity training by national competitive bidding in the 2nd quarter of 2008, for an estimated cost of US\$ 10,000

Interested eligible bidders and consultants who wish to be included on the mailing list to receive invitations to prequalify/bid under ICB procedures, and interested consultants who wish to receive a copy of the advertisement requesting expressions of interest for consultancy contracts, or those requiring additional information, should contact the address below.

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