

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES SELECTION)

## SAINT LUCIA CATCOP-SL CARIBBEAN REGIONAL AIR TRANSPORT CONNECTIVITY PROJECT

Loan No.: 6653-LC

**Assignment Title: International Procurement Consultant** 

**Reference No.** 202859-CS –INDV: P170860

The Saint Lucia Air and Sea Ports Authority has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Caribbean Regional Air Transport Connectivity Project (CATCOP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include the provision of procurement expertise, in accordance with the Loan Agreement and World Bank Procurement Regulation for IPF Borrowers, in order to:

- 1. support SLASPA at key stages of the procurement process (including planning, preparation of procurement documents, bid evaluation, contract negotiation and signing);
- 2. support SLASPA in contract management, the monitoring and reporting on contracts procured; and
- 3. strengthen SLASPA's procurement capacity through capacity-building initiatives.

Specifically, the International Procurement Consultant will have to support the PIU with the following procurement issues:

- 1. Framework Agreement for Training Services.
- 2. Works Contracts under International Competition and using FIDIC GCC.
- 3. Supply and Installation Contracts using Life Cycle Cost as evaluation criteria.
- 4. Price Adjustment formulas for both Consulting Services and Civil Works contracts.

The consultant will work part time, remotely, need to be available for virtual meetings during the PIU working hours Monday to Friday from 8am to 4:30pm AST and eventually to travel to Saint Lucia for short periods of time if COVID-related restrictions permit.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment are attached to this request for expressions of interest.

The Saint Lucia Air and Sea Ports Authority now invites eligible individuals ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Master's Degree in engineering, procurement, business management or a similar field.
- More than 20 years of experience as a Procurement Consultant or in a similar position.
- More than 10 years of experience working for multilateral development banks or on projects financed by multilateral development banks on procurement assignments.
- Experience on World Bank-funded projects.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016, Revised November 2017 and August 2018 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment:

- Consultants shall not be hired for any assignment that would be in conflict with their
  prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place them in a position of
  being unable to carry out the assignment in the best interests of the Borrower.
  Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, Consultants shall not be hired
  under the circumstances set forth below:
  - o a firm that has been engaged by the Borrower to provide Goods, Works, or Non-consulting Services for a project (or an affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that firm), shall be disqualified from providing Consulting Services resulting from, or directly related to, those Goods, Works, or Non-consulting Services. This provision does not apply to the various firms (Consultants, contractors, or suppliers), which together are performing the contractor's obligations under a turnkey or design and build contract;
  - o a firm that has been engaged by the Borrower to provide Consulting Services for the preparation or implementation of a project (or an affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that Consulting firm), shall be disqualified from subsequently providing Goods, Works, or Non-consulting Services resulting from, or directly related to those Consulting Services. This provision does not apply to the various firms (Consultants, contractors, or suppliers), which together are performing the contractor's obligations under a turnkey or design and build contract;
  - o neither a Consultant (including personnel and sub-consultants), nor an affiliate (that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that Consultant), shall be hired for any assignment that,

by its nature, creates a conflict of interest with another assignment of the Consultant;

- O Consultants (including their experts and other personnel, and subconsultants), that have a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of the Borrower, or of the project implementing agency, or of a recipient of a part of the Bank's financing, or any other party representing or acting on behalf of the Borrower, that is directly or indirectly involved in any part of:
  - i. the preparation of the TOR for the assignment;
  - ii. the selection process for the contract; or
  - iii. the supervision of the contract, may not be awarded a contract, unless the conflict stemming from this relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the Bank throughout the selection process and the execution of the contract.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Open Competitive Selection method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:00am to 4:30pm AST.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by April 16, 2021.

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