REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES

Institution : The Inter-American Development Bank

Country : The Republic of Suriname

Project : Health Services Improvement Project

Sector : Health

Abstract : The objective of this Consultancy Firm is to to Conduct Mobile study on

Amerindian population size, migration, turnover and health priorities

elaborated.

Loan No. : **4593/OC-SU**

Bid No. : **HSIP-170-SCC-CF-3.9.1**

Reference number : Consultancy to Conduct Mobile study on Amerindian population size,

migration, turnover and health priorities elaborated (activity 3.9.1).

Deadline : 16 October 2023

The Republic of Suriname has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB), toward the cost of the Health Services Improvement Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The firm will design and implement a study to accomplish the following specific objectives of this study:

- 1. To determine population characteristics of the Amerindian tribes in the Interior of Suriname. This includes population size and general population demographics such as the gender ratio, presence of children, and division of labor (job descriptions).
- 2. To determine and visualize (mapping / stratification) Amerindian population mobility within Suriname and across borders. This includes the direction, motivation, frequency for movement, and population turnover.
- 3. To analyze health related factors of the mobile Amerindian population. This includes knowledge, attitude and practices regarding the prevention, testing, and treatment of disease and perceived health-risks as well as perceived priority health needs of the mobile Amerindian population.

The qualifications and experience of the LEAD CONSULTANT are:

- Master or equivalent in Social or Behavioral Studies or Health Science,
- A minimum of 5 years professional experience in similar assignments in social or behavioral sciences or community communication projects,
- Demonstrable experience in qualitative and quantitative research, with strong statistical capacity, and able to establish a study team with the necessary capacities,
- Knowledge about, experience or affinity with (working with) indigenous communities,
- Cultural and gender sensitive and aware,
- Well informed about health systems in Suriname,
- Aware of multiple determinants that may drive mobility and health practices,

- Flexibility and adaptability to ensure implementation of the study in challenging circumstances,
- Excellent English communication, report writing and presentation skills.
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- Cultural sensitivity and gender sensitivity/awareness
- Ability to adapt in challenging circumstances and flexibility

The Consultancy Firm assignment shall be completed within maximum 6 months after signed contract.

The Ministry of Health now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they are qualified to perform the services.

The Expression of Interest (EOI) should include:

- Letter of interest from the firm to participate in the assignment;
- Proof of their legal status as a firm (registry at Chamber of Commerce);
- A profile of the consultant (including evidence of the requisite expertise and skills);
- A list of similar assignments with relevant samples of work done within the last 5 years.

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank GN-2350-15 and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications. For the purpose of establishing the short list, the nationality of a firm is that of the country in which it is legally incorporated or constituted and in the case of Joint Venture, the nationality of the firm appointed to represent it.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultants Qualification method set out in the Consultant Policies

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 09:00 to 14:00 hours local time or by sending an email to the email address below.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **16 October 2023.**

The Ministry of Health

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