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INVITATION FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES

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Title of the Request for Proposal: Supervision services relating to the Design and Construction of a Plant

Health Diagnostic Laboratory and complementary infrastructure for the Ministry of LVV

Procurement Process Number: SU-L1020-P00003

Sector: Agriculture and Rural Development

Summary: The call for expressions of interest has the explicit purpose of compiling a short list of Consulting firms to provide supervision services relating to the Design and Construction of a Plant Health

Diagnostic Laboratory and complementary infrastructure for the Ministry of LVV.

Deadline: October 8, 2025

Suriname has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), toward the cost of the Agricultural Competitiveness Program and intends to apply part of the funds to contracts for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include:

The general objective of this procurement process is to hire a Consulting Firm that provides Supervision Services only for design and construction stages of the Plant Health Diagnostic Laboratory and complementary infrastructure for the Ministry of LVV, for which the Consulting Firm must provide specialized personnel and all necessary resources to oversee the execution of the Design and Construction Contract. The project location is Letitia Vriesdelaan No. 8-10 (Entrance 5), in Paramaribo, Suriname. The firm should provide technical assistance to the Project Executing Unit (PEU) in the processes of (i) supervising the design process, (ii) ensuring the obtaining of construction permits by the Contractor, (iii) supervising the installation process of civil works and equipment necessary for the Construction. In this regard, the consulting firm will provide technical assistance in legal, socio-environmental, administrative, financial, planning, procurement, management, technical development, quality control and health & safety.

The duration is planned for **61 weeks** over a 30-month period (estimated at 6 months design phase, 12 months construction phase and 12 months defects liability phase), with an expected commencement date of **February 2026.**

Requirements of the Firm:

- Be legally registered in country of origin.
- At least ten (10) years' experience in the provision of consultancy services in the construction/infrastructure field.
- At least seven (7) years' experience providing supervision services in the area of specific infrastructural works related to the assignment.
- At least one (1) contract supervising the construction of a laboratory facility similar in scope to the specific assignment.
- At least five (5) years' experience working on similar assignment in the Caribbean/South America Region or Suriname.

The Expression of Interest (EOI) should include:

- Letter of interest from the firm.
- Proof of their legal status as a firm.
- Detailed portfolio with pictures, references, credentials of relevant projects/assignments (including date, place, size, scope and cost of the project).
- Company Profile (Company structure, demonstrated experience, skills and technical expertise).

The MINISTRY OF AGRUCULTURE, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND FISHERIES invites eligible Consulting Firms to express their interest in providing the requested Services. The shortlist must include a minimum of five (5) and a maximum of eight (8) eligible firms.

The selection of consultants will be conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in the <u>Policies</u> for the <u>Selection and Contracting of Consultants Financed by the Inter-American Development Bank</u> (applicable edition according to the loan contract). Participation is open to firms from eligible countries, as specified in these 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 *Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS)* method set out in the Consultant Policies.

Interested consultants may obtain further information by sending an inquiry via email or visiting the address provided at the end of this notice, during 07:30 AM to 03:00 PM.

Expressions of Interest must be submitted in writing to the email address or delivered in hard copy to the address indicated below, no later than **October 8**, **2025**. Electronic submissions will be permitted.

Interested consultants must provide information demonstrating that they possess the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

Interested firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required managerial and technical capabilities, qualifications, and relevant experience to perform the Services. Evaluation will be based on the following: General Background and Organization (Legal parameters, corporate and functional structures, areas of expertise, number of years in business, core competencies, management support systems); General Experience (in the field in the region or countries with similar, physical, cultural, social, economic condition and institutional characteristics where applicable); Similar Experience (Evidence of experience in specific areas undertaken relating to the assignment); and Adequacy for the Assignment (Demonstrated capacity to handle the assignment in terms of resources (e.g. Specific skills, facilities, equipment), knowledge of national language, culture, laws, administrative systems, governmental structures and policies, statutory knowledge).

Submit an email to request the draft Terms of Reference (TOR) which will be shared electronically in .pdf format.

NO COST PROPOSAL SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THIS EOI.

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