

REPUBLIC OF SURINAME



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS EN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES

Institution: The Inter-American Development Bank

Country: The Republic of Suriname

Project: Foreign Investment and Export Promotion Program

Sector: Trade & Investment

Abstract: Expressions of Interest for contracting a firm to Implement a Virtual One-Stop-Shop (OSS) for

Investment Facilitation in Suriname

Loan No.: 4801/OC-SU

Contract / Bid no.: SU-L1056-P00092

Deadline: November 7, 2025

The Republic of Suriname, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Business and Cooperation, has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), toward the cost of the Foreign Investment and Export Promotion Program (FIEPP, project no. SU-L1056), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Suriname Investment and Trade Agency (SITA), with support from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), commissioned a feasibility study to develop a blueprint for a virtual One-Stop-Shop (OSS). The OSS will digitally integrate and streamline investment facilitation services, improving transparency, efficiency, and user experience.

The consulting services ("the Services") include the following objectives:

To implement the virtual or hybrid physical / virtual One-Stop-Shop (OSS) platform for investment facilitation in Suriname. This includes operationalizing the platform and its associated services based on the approved feasibility study, ensuring effective integration with relevant government agencies, robust stakeholder engagement, and sustainable capacity development.

The duration of these Services is twelve (12) months.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Business and Cooperation now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The Expression of Interest (EOI) does not have a specific format or template, but should include:

- i. a properly signed Letter of Interest (LOI) from the firm to participate in the assignment;
- ii. profile of the firm (including evidence of the requisite expertise and skills);

- iii. <u>list of similar assignments executed during the last five (5) years;</u>
- iv. proof of legal status of the firm.

Short lists shall comprise firms with a wide geographic spread not fewer than five (5) and not more than eight (8) eligible firms (GN-2350-15).

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: <u>Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank</u> 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 Quality- and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Consultant Policies.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 09.00 to 15.00 hours Suriname Time (SRT).

Expressions of interest must be delivered in written form by email to the address <u>fiepp-bids@sita.sr</u> by November 7, 2025 before 15.00 hours SRT.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Business and International Cooperation

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