SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Institution: Inter-American Development Bank

Country: Jamaica

Project: Enhancing the Information and Communications Technologies (ICTs) Regulatory

Environment in Jamaica

Sector: ICT

Abstract: Consulting services to review the ICT regulatory framework

Loan/Credit/Grant No.: ATN/KF-13733-JA

Contract/Bid No.: MSTEM-ICT-01

Deadline: January 14, 2014

This international bidding notice was announced under the General Procurement Notice advertised for this project published in Development Business Online, edition No: IDB1731-11/13 of 25 November 2013.

The Government of Jamaica (GoJ) has received financing in the amount equivalent to US\$285,000 from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), and it intends to apply the proceeds to payments for consulting services to be procured under the project; "Enhancing the Information and Communications Technologies (ICT) Regulatory Environment in Jamaica". The project will be jointly financed with the GoJ. Bidding will be governed by the IDB's eligibility rules and procedures. The main objectives of the project are to: 1) review the current administrative and regulatory framework and governance model for the ICT sector and provide specific recommendations for drafting appropriate strategic legislation for the establishment of a converged stand-alone ICT regulator; and 2) propose an organizational structure and implementation plan for the establishment of a converged stand-alone ICT Regulator.

The Ministry of Science, Technology, Energy and Mining now invites expressions of interest to provide consultancy services for the aforementioned objectives. In this regard the respondents will be required to, *inter alia*:

- 1) review the current administrative and regulatory framework and governance model for the ICT sector and provide specific drafting instructions to enable the drafting of legislation for the establishment of a new converged stand-alone ICT Regulator;
- 2) conduct a cost benefit analysis and risk assessment; and
- 3) prepare a Report, to include the following:
 - Proposed work processes for the converged stand-alone ICT Regulator;
 - Proposed organizational structure for the converged stand-alone ICT Regulator; and
 - Transition Plan with associated recommendations and solutions to facilitate the establishment of the converged stand-alone ICT Regulator.

This procurement process requires respondents to be from an IDB Member Country and have, *inter alia*, the following specific experience and/or capabilities:

Person(s) with at least a Postgraduate Degree in one of the following areas;
ICT/Technology/Law/Economics.

- Lead Consultant with at least ten (10) years' experience in mergers and acquisitions within the public sector.
- Extensive knowledge of the ICT industry.
- Extensive knowledge of international best practices in relation to the technical, regulatory and policy issues associated with Regulatory Models.

The budget for this consultancy is US\$330,000.00 (United States Three Hundred and Thirty Thousand Dollars).

Consulting services will be selected and contracted in accordance with the Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank (GN-2350-9) and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

Interested eligible respondents may obtain further information from the Ministry of Science, Technology, Energy and Mining at the address stated at the end of this document during office hours 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Mondays – Fridays.

All expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2014. They will be opened by 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 in the presence of respondents' representatives, who choose to attend, at the address below. Late expressions of interest will be rejected.

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