

GOVERNMENT OF VIRGIN ISLANDS

**REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION LOAN – HURRICANE IRMA
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS**

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR ROAD, SLOPES AND COASTAL DEFENCES

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Government of Virgin Islands (GOVI) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in an amount equivalent to US\$65,291,000 towards the cost of CDB No. 12/SRF-OR-BVI: Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Loan – Hurricane Irma Project and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under a contract for which this invitation is issued. Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of GOVI and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GOVI shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The Projects Unit of the Ministry of Finance, who is the Executing Agency, now wishes to procure consultancy services for Roads, Slopes and Coastal Defences.

The objective of the consultancy is to provide services for design, technical specifications, procurement support, supervision and contract administration for rehabilitation of roads, the construction of retaining structures, slope stabilization and rock fall protection, and coastal defences. The duration of the assignment is expected to be for a period of eighteen (18) months.

The Projects Unit now invites interested eligible consulting firms to submit Expressions of Interest for the provision of these consultancy services.

Consultants shall be eligible to participate if:

- (a) in the case of a body corporate, it is legally incorporated or otherwise organized in an eligible country, has its principal place of business in an eligible country and is more than

50 percent beneficially owned by citizen(s) and/or bona fide resident(s) of eligible country(ies) or by a body(ies) corporate meeting these requirements;

- (b) in the case of unincorporated firms, the persons are citizens or bona fide residents of an eligible country; and
- (c) in all cases, the consultant has no arrangement and undertakes not to make any arrangements, whereby any substantial part of the net profits or other tangible benefits of the contract will accrue or be paid to a person not a citizen or bona fide resident of an eligible country.

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of CDB's Guidelines for the Selection and Engagement of Consultants (2011), setting forth CDB's policy on conflict of interest.

In the assessment of submissions, consideration will be given to technical competence, qualifications and experience, local and regional experience on similar assignments, financial capability and existing commitments. Only the first fifteen (15) pages of submissions received in response to this REOI will be taken into consideration for assessment purposes. Therefore, applicants shall ensure that their relevant qualifications and experience are clearly outlined there. The submission size limitation will not encompass any individual expert bio data included in the submission. All information must be submitted in English. Further information may be obtained from the first address below between 8:30 and 12:00 hours Monday to Friday.

Expressions of Interest must be submitted electronically to the Ministry of Finance via the email address listed below and copied to CDB at the second email address below no later than **12:00 noon on Friday, May 18, 2018**. The email containing the submission should not exceed ten megabytes (10 MB) and must include the name and address of the applicant and the subject of email shall be marked **"Expression of Interest – Consultancy Services for Roads, Slopes and Coastal Defences."**

Following the assessment of submissions, a short-list of not less than three (3) and not more than six (6) applicants will be provided with full terms of reference and invited to submit technical and financial

proposals to undertake the assignment. GOVI reserves the right to accept or reject late applications or to cancel the present invitation partially or in its entirety. It will not be bound to assign any reason for not short-listing any applicant and will not defray any costs incurred by any applicant in the preparation and submission of Expressions of Interest.

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