

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES

Institution: *Ministry of Public Works* Country: *The Bahamas* Project: *Climate-Resilient Coastal Management & Infrastructure Program* Sector: Environment and Natural Disaster Abstract: *Baseline Studies for Hazard Resilience of Natural Infrastructure in Andros* Loan/Credit/Grant No.: *4363/OC-BH* Contract/Bid No.: *TBD* Deadline: *August 3, 2020*

The *Government of The Bahamas has received* financing from *the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)*, toward the cost of the *Climate-Resilient Coastal Management & Infrastructure Program* and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The primary objective of the consultancy is to enhance communities' resilience to coastal hazards and climate related impacts through implementation of pilot projects on Andros that demonstrates the effectiveness of natural habitat restoration for coastal protection. These pilot projects will be conducted in four districts, namely: (i) North Andros; (ii) Central Andros; (iii) Mangrove Cay and (iv) South Andros.

The *Ministry of Public Works* now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information to demonstrate that they are capable of the meeting the selection criteria listed below:

1. **General Background and Organisation**: *corporate structures, areas of expertise, number of years in business, core competencies*

2. **General Experience:** General *experience in the field of Coastal Hazard Resilience and Natural Infrastructure design in the region or country.*

3. **Specific Experience**: Evidence of experience in specific areas; Met-Ocean study, Shoreline coastal studies and Data collection, Biophysical Assessment, Socioeconomic Assessment, Probabilistic Natural Hazard Assessment and preparation of Hazard Maps, Vulnerability Assessment and preparation of Vulnerability Maps, Hazard Risk Assessment and preparation of Risk Maps, Nature-Based Coastal Protection design and Stakeholder Community engagement

4. **Other criteria (Adequacy for the Assignment)**: *Demonstrated capacity to handle the assignment in terms of resources, fluent in English, experience with IDB projects, knowledge of IDB policies.*

We ask that you limit your Expression of Interest to a maximum of fifty (50) pages.

Short lists shall comprise six firms with a wide geographic spread, with no more than two firms from any one country and at least one firm from a Bank Borrowing member country, unless qualified firms from Bank Borrowing member countries are not identified.

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-2350-9 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 method* set out in the Consultant Policies.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 0900 to 1600 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by *August 3, 2020*.

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