



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

Vanuatu

Vanuatu Affordable and Resilient Settlements Project

Grant No.: P173278

Assignment Title: Design & Supervision Services

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The Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources (MoLNR) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Vanuatu Affordable and Resilient Settlements Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) includes the provision of multi-disciplinary expertise and services to assist MoLNR, Port Vila City Council (PVCC), and support Ministries. These services will entail the review of previously developed draft designs and the development of final designs, the development of works packages and supervision of construction for Component 1 (Affordable and Resilient New Settlement Development) and Component 2 (Affordable and Resilient Settlement Upgrading), of the VARS Project. The delivery of the services will be provided over thirty-six (36) months with the estimated commencement date in December 2023. Delivery of all services must be in consistency with the Terms of Reference (TOR) referred to in this REOI.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: https://www.dropbox.com/s/2v4zosgkfmfdvv/TOR-C1-C2-CS-022-%20Design%20and%20Supervision%20Services_REOI_Issue_230615.pdf?dl=0

The Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

Essential:

- Capability and resourcing of the Consulting Firm indicates an ability to deliver the project;
- Experience of Consultant Firm, with at least eight (8) years in town and/or urban planning, architectural services or other discipline as appropriate;

- Experience as a firm, of at least five (5) years, in the provision of multi-disciplinary services to complete detailed reviews of existing draft drawings, specifications and plans prior to implementation, as envisaged;
- Demonstrated experience as a firm, in the delivery of Construction Supervision;
- Experience in the delivery of high-quality urban renewal or development projects while developing strategies to expedite project outputs and outcomes;
- Proposed level of engagement of local national Consultants in the design and construction supervision service, as this is highly encouraged and desired.

Desirable:

- Previous evidence in the successful implementation of similar services in Vanuatu, or a similar Pacific context;

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.15, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost-based Selection method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 0800 to 1700 hours, Port Vila, Vanuatu time.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by 1000 hours Wednesday 5th July 2023 Port Vila time.

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