

# MINISTÉRIO DO PLANEAMENTO E INVESTIMENTO ESTRATÉGICO

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# Invitation to Submit Expression of Interest for Consultancy Service - Project Management Consultant of the Rural Resilience and Livelihood Improvement Sector Project

REOI No.: EOI/221/MDRHC-2024 Dated: 20 December 2024

Loan and Grant Number: Grant Number: G1015; G1016, G1017, G1018, G9249

Country: Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste

Title of Project: Rural Resilience and Livelihood Improvement Sector Project

Assignment Name: Consulting Service for the Project Management Consultant (PMC) of the Rural

Resilience and Livelihood Improvement Sector Project

Executing Agency (EA): Ministry of Rural Development and Community Housing (MDRCH)

Implementing Agency (IA): Directorate General of Rural Development - Ministry of Rural Development and

Community Housing (MDRCH)

#### **Brief Project Description**

The Rural Resilience and Livelihood Improvement Sector Project is a six-years project to be implemented by Ministry of Rural Development and Community Housing and funded by a grant from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and co-financiers. The project aims to improve climate resilience, water and food security, and livelihood opportunities of rural communities in Manatuto municipality. It will support about 46,000 people by enhancing resilience of rural communities that are predominantly agriculture-based, improving the access to water and productivity of farms and agroforestry through climate-smart approaches, strengthening market linkages, and developing diversified livelihood opportunities. The project follows an inclusive approach where the government works closely with communities to plan and implement a combination of investments in rural infrastructure, agriculture and livelihood development, and capacity strengthening.

#### Consulting Services

The Consultant is expected to have experience in project management consultant in rural resilience and livelihood improvement. The consultant is further expected to have appropriate experience in providing consulting services for the implementation of road projects in a similar environment. Since knowledge of local conditions would be beneficial, international consulting firms are encouraged to associate with local companies or individuals with the relevant expertise.

Estimated time-input of international key experts is 110 person-months and estimated time-input of national key experts is 1,122 person-months. Estimated time-input of support staff is 528. The Terms of Reference for the consulting services is attached for ready reference.

A consulting firm will be selected following the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS – 90:10) method in accordance with ADB's Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers for Goods, Works, Non-consulting and Consulting Services (2017, as amended from time to time).

Interested consulting firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services. The consulting firms may associate with other international and national firms to enhance their qualifications.

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The Consultant EOI shall demonstrate <u>technical competence</u>, <u>experience with multilateral Development Agencies</u> and <u>geographical experience</u> (<u>Asia Pacific</u>) based on project references, as well as <u>management competence</u>. Please select most relevant projects related to institutional and organizational capacity of farmer groups, communities, and government strengthened in market planning, rural water-related infrastructure strengthening, livelihood and economic diversification for climate resilience, where the value of the Consultant's participation under each contract meets or exceeds USD 2,000,000 and completed within last 12 years to demonstrate the firm's competence (maximum 10 projects). The Consultant describes standard policies, procedures, and practices that your entity has to assure quality interaction with clients and outputs. Please state if your company is <u>ISO certified</u>.

## Implementation Period

It is expected that the work time schedule for this Project Management Consultant is 83 months.

#### **EOI Submission**

This Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) notice along with the TOR and other project documents is available at ADB's Consulting Services Recruitment Notice (CSRN) (<a href="https://csrn.adb.org">https://csrn.adb.org</a>). This advertisement is also available at the National Procurement Commission – Timor-Leste (<a href="https://www.cna.gov.tl">www.cna.gov.tl</a>), Ministry of Finance – Timor-Leste (<a href="https://www.mof.gov.tl">https://www.devex.com</a>) and dgMarket (<a href="https://www.dgmarket.com">https://www.dgmarket.com</a>) websites and one local newspaper.

The MDRCH through the National Procurement Commission (NPC) now invites eligible consultants to submit EOIs on-line using a standard template provided in CSRN. EOI standard template is available at ADB's website <a href="https://www.adb.org/documents/recruitment-firms-individual-consultants-executing-agencies">https://www.adb.org/documents/recruitment-firms-individual-consultants-executing-agencies</a>.

The EOI shall only be submitted online through ADB's Consultant Management System (<a href="http://cms.adb.org">http://cms.adb.org</a>). The deadline for the submission is 11:59 PM (Manila Time) on February, 6 2024.

Only the shortlisted firms will be invited to submit a proposal for the consulting services. The names and addresses of shortlisted firms will be published on the ADB and government websites as mentioned above.

#### Additional Information

Additional information can be obtained from the NPC at the address given below during working hours from 09:00 to 17:00 (Monday to Friday). The NPC would try to provide expeditiously the additional information requested but any delay in providing such additional information may not be considered as a reason for extending the deadline for submission of EOI.

#### Address for clarifications ONLY:

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