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

Country: Palestine

Assignment Title: Local Technical Consultant (LTC) for Local Government Reform and Development Program- Phase II (LGRDPII)

Reference No. : LGRDPII-A 04 01- 01 PZA 392

The Municipal Development and Lending Fund “MDLF” has received a grant from the Government of the Kingdom of Belgium towards the cost of “Local Government Reform and Development Program- Phase II” (LGRDPII). The LGRDPII program has a general objective to improve the management, the development and the administration system of the Local Government Sector in the Palestinian territory within a decentralized framework by Strengthening the capacities of LGUs to collaborate in providing services, promoting local economic development and contributing to territorial integration.

The Municipal Development and Lending Fund (MDLF) as an implementation agency for the project intends to use part of the grant for consulting services to hire a **Consultancy Firm** to conduct the “**Local Technical Consultant (LTC) for Local Government Reform and Development Program- Phase II (LGRDPII)**” which will be implemented in the LGRDPII for the benefit of LGUs (Four JSCs and six Municipalities).

The Municipal Development and Lending Fund now invite eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested consulting firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are: **General firm’s profile (Core business and years in business, qualifications in the field of the assignment, technical and managerial organization of the firm, general qualifications and number of key staff).**

Objective of the Assignment:

The main objective of this consultancy assignment is to provide design and technical assistance to the benefited LGUs in the implementation of subprojects approved by program S.C as part of the LGRDPII , as follows:

- (i) Preparation of full designs for each sub-projects and costs estimation (priced BOQ).
- (ii) *Subproject implementation and supervision:* build the capacity of LGUS to implement the subprojects and assist them in the supervision including the reporting on progress of implementation, monitoring of indicators, and compliance with the standards as delineated by MDLF.
- (iii) *Ensure compliance with technical and fiduciary aspects:* build the capacity



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and provide guidance to LGUs on technical and fiduciary aspects of sub-project preparation and implementation to ensure compliance with MDLF's procurement, financial, social and environmental safeguards procedures (including provision of mitigation measures).

The attention of interested consulting firms is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants by World Bank Borrowers published by the World Bank in January 2011, revised in July 2014 ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications.

Consultancy firms will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the MDLF Procurement Manual which is based on the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by the World Bank Borrowers, published by the World Bank in January 2011, revised in July 2014/ **Selection based on Quality-Cost based selection (QCBS)**.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

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 **13/03/2017**.

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