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

Grant No. : P121648 / AFD CPS 1040
Country : Palestine/Gaza Strip
Assignment Title : Design of Sofa Landfill Access Road

The Palestine Liberation Organization, for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority (PA), has received financing in the amount of US$ 29.76 Million from the World Bank-International Development Association (IDA), the French Development Agency (AFD), and the European Union (EU) towards the cost of the Gaza Solid Waste Management Project (GSWMP), where the construction of a new landfill is the key component of the project under the first component related to infrastructure development, in addition to institutional strengthening (component 2), primary collection and resource recovery (component 3), and project management (component 4).

The Municipal Development and Lending Fund (MDLF), as the delegated implementing agency, intends to use part of the Grant to hire a consulting firm to conduct the “Design of Sofa Landfill Access Road” assignment in the Gaza Strip, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

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 short listing 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).

Assignment Objective:
The objective of the assignment is to provide the Municipal Development and Lending Fund – Project Development and Safeguards Unit (MDLF-PDSU) and the Joint Service Council in Khan Younis, Rafah and Middle Governorates (JSC-KRM) with a detailed design and bidding documents for Sofa Landfill access road.

Within the objective of this consultancy service, the following tasks shall be carried out by the consultant:

1. Conduct topographical survey of Sofa access road and site material/soil tests;
2. Prepare preliminary/concept design of Sofa access road;
3. Prepare detailed design of Sofa access road including detailed drawing;
4. Prepare bidding documents, BOQ, technical specifications and project cost estimation.

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 World Bank’s Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants 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, Sunday – Thursday, from 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 15/12/2016, addressed to:

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