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

Grant No. : AFD CPS 1154 01  
Country : Palestine/ JERICHO  
Assignment Title : Work Supervision and Environmental and Social Monitoring  
Assignment Ref. : MSR-JR-001

For the benefit of the Palestinian Authority (PA), Municipal Development and Lending Fund (MDLF) has received financing in the amount of EURO 10.2 Million from the French Development Agency (AFD) towards the cost of implement the Municipal Development Program III (cycle 1, for an amount of EURO 4 Million) and the Jericho Multi Site Regeneration Project (MSR JERICHO, for an amount of EURO 6.2 Million), where the construction of Jericho Slaughterhouse, Construction of Jericho Municipal Garage and Site Remediation for existing slaughterhouse and Municipal Garage are the key major projects as well as the Extension of the Spanish Garden.

The MSR Jericho Project aims at enhancing the economic development of the city through the rehabilitation of key infrastructures. The project, prepared under the Urban Project Finance Initiative (UPFI), promotes an integrated urban approach to optimize public land management, upgrade key infrastructures, and strengthen the management capacities of the Jericho municipality related to the enforcement of national health policies and the improvement of its financial accountability. The rehabilitated infrastructures are the slaughterhouse, the Spanish Garden and the Municipal garage, which shall contribute to support the main city’s economic activities (tourism and farming).

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 “Work Supervision and Environmental and Social Monitoring” assignment in Jericho, 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 (especially in the supervision of Slaughterhouse’s construction), technical and managerial organization of the firm, general qualifications and number of key staff).

Consortium between international and local are encouraged.

Assignment Objective:

The objective of the assignment is to provide the Municipal Development and Lending Fund (MDLF) and municipality of Jericho with technical supervision for constructing,
equipping and fitting-out new facilities as slaughterhouse, garage and garden in the Municipality of Jericho. The objective of the consulting services is to ensure that the Employer's Requirements are met satisfactorily in accordance with the quality specifications for the works, the time schedule specified and the agreed project cost as defined in the contract to be executed between the MDLF and contractors. Within the objective of this consultancy service, the consultant shall be monitoring of environmental and social requirements and the following objectives shall be carried out by the consultant:

1. Ensure standards of quality assurance in executing the works;
2. Monitor environmental and social aspects.
3. Ensure completion of the work within the stipulated time limit, and compliance with all applicable laws and regulations;
4. Oversee the process of keeping the project to budget;
5. Ensure a satisfactory handover of the works to the client (and the appointed operator) after completion of the construction, equipment installation, fitting out of office accommodation and completion of external infrastructure;

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. The MDLF procurement manual for MDP will be the guiding document which encompasses the World Bank related guidelines and other interactional standards.

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 Wednesday 12/04/2017, addressed to:

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