



Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTING SERVICES)

SAMOA AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES PRODUCTIVITY AND MARKETING PROJECT (SAFPROM)

Grant No.: D438-WS

Assignment Title: Technical Assistant (Engineering Specialist)

Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): WS-MAF-165701-CS-INDV

The Government of Samoa ("GoS") has applied for financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Samoa Agriculture and Fisheries Productivity and Marketing Project ("SAFPROM"), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the following consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include supporting the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries ("MAF") in:

1. providing technical advice to the Agriculture Sector Coordination Division ("ASCD"); and
2. overseeing the selection and operation of, and manage the contracts of external consultants to undertake the scoping, design, documentation, costing, supervision and works contract administration of building construction and roadworks as part of the SAFPROM implementation.

The detailed Terms of Reference ("TOR") can be obtained at the address given below.

The MAF now invites eligible Individual Consultants ("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. To apply, please provide a cover letter and attach a Curriculum Vitae with a full description of experience in similar assignments and similar conditions, relevant to the assignment described in the TOR. Individual Consultants employed by Firms' may express interest through the Firm for the assignment and, under such situation, **only** the experience and qualifications of the Individual Consultant shall be considered in the selection process, and must specify whether the contract would be signed with the firm or the proposed individual, if it deems successful. The criteria for selecting the Consultant are:

1. Fully qualified civil / structural engineer, including corporate membership of internationally or nationally recognized professional institution;
2. Minimum of twelve (12) years of post-qualification experience, of which ten (10) years should be in construction design and supervision, and five (5) years working in developing countries, particularly in the Pacific Region;

3. Previous experience in providing technical advice to government institutions would be an advantage;
4. Cross-sectoral skills and ability to work with team members and stakeholders from different technical backgrounds;
5. Excellent verbal, written and presentation communication skills in English, with demonstrable high-level reporting skills;
6. Proven experience in managing projects with diverse stakeholders and tight timelines;
7. Familiarity with project requirements of the World Bank will be an advantage;
8. Specific procurement expertise highly regarded; and
9. Samoan national or locally-based expatriate.

The successful Consultant must have a current Samoan business licence, or obtain one prior to commencement of the assignment, in accordance with the *Business Licence Act 1998*.

The attention of interested Consultants (including Individual Consultants nominated by Firms) is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the *World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018* ("the Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Expressions of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person or by email) by **5.00 pm** (local time) on **8 May 2020**. Email submissions should not exceed 4Mb and a read receipt should be requested.

*The Chief Executive Officer,
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attach: (i) Terms of Reference and (ii) Consultancy Contract template