

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

SAINT LUCIA OECS REGIONAL TOURISM COMPETITIVENESS PROJECT IDA Credit #6000-LC

Assignment Title: Consultancy to Prepare Final Designs for the Pedestrianization of the William Peter Boulevard and Option Designs for the Façade Improvement Program

Reference No. SLU-RTCP-CS-IC-CQS-SBE-01-17

Saint Lucia has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the OECS Regional Tourism Competitiveness Project (ORTCP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consultancy services to Prepare Final Designs for the Pedestrianization of the William Peter Boulevard and Option Designs for the Façade Improvement Program.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include carrying out a diagnostic assessment which would require working in consultation and collaboration with the Castries Constituency Council (CCC), to ensure consistency in the approach and inclusion of with the broad plans of the CCC for the area, analyses of the functional and architectural requirements for an enhanced William Peter Boulevard (façade and pedestrianization), developing and presentation of four design options for pedestrianization of the Boulevard area based on functional and architectural requirements and identification of the associated involuntary resettlement impacts, elaboration of the selected design option and preparation of final designs for the purposes of execution of the works for the pedestrianization of the Boulevard; preparation of a prototype of the preferred design option should be for visual display. The duration of the assignment is thirteen (13) man months over a period of eight (8) calendar months (*The Terms of Reference may be obtained on the website of the Department of Finance: www.finance.gov.lc and www.govt.lc/consultancy*).

The Department of Economic Development, Transport and Civil Aviation now invites eligible consulting firms (“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; (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability appropriate skills among staff, (***please note that the individual experts’ bio data is not required.***))

The selection criteria are:

1. The firm should be registered.
2. At least ten (10) years’ experience in implementing projects to design options for urban development.

This includes assessment and preparation of functional and architectural designs for enhanced urban spaces considering inter alia: pedestrianization, optimizing economic sustainability and commercial viability, increase tourist visitation, parking, openness,

space allocation to public uses, use of vegetation, quantity and quality of urban furniture, facade improvements requiring public consultations, collaboration with parastatal agencies, and citizen engagement that required major change. (60 points)

3. At least two (2) successfully completed contracts during the past ten (10) years which entailed detailed design for enhancing urban spaces, and facade improvements. (40 points)

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers* dated January 2011, Revised 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 subconsultancy to enhance their qualifications.

The associations should clearly indicate the form of the association (Joint-venture or sub-consultancy; member in charge; other member/s and or sub-consultants). Joint ventures shall submit letters of intent indicating their intent to form a joint venture if awarded the contract and shall provide the above mentioned information for each member of the joint venture.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Consultants Qualifications (CQS) method set out in the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers* dated January 2011, Revised July 2014 ("Consultant Guidelines").

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (0800 to 1600 hours).

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **March 24, 2018**.

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