Republic of Liberia
INFRASTRUCTURE IMPLEMENTATION UNIT
MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS
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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Country: Liberia
Loan No.: 63590
Project ID: **P149279**
Assignment Title: Consultancy Services for the Conduct of an Environmental and Social Audit SECRAMP 100km.
Reference No.: LR-IIU-404126-CS-CQS

1. The Government of Liberia *has received* financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Southeastern Corridor Road Assets Management Project (SECRAMP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for Consulting Services for the conduct of an Environmental and Social Audit of 100km Ganta-Tappita Road Section: Lot 1: Ganta-Saclepea 39km (financed by the GOL) and Lot 2: Saclepea-Tappita 61km (financed by LRTF/IDA) which are currently under rehabilitation.
2. The Consulting Services ("the Services") include conducting an Environmental and Social Audit of the projects. The audit will consist of a Review of the ESIAs, ESMPs, and EPA permits for the projects, including the documents prepared by the contractors for both projects and associated ancillary facilities (quarries, asphalt plants, borrow pits, and crusher & blasting activities), and identify the key mitigation measures, monitoring requirements, and parameters during the construction phase.
   Conduct site observations at locations where construction activities are underway and at contractor facilities to check that occupational health and safety and social measures and controls are operating as described and intended.
   Review the contractor's quarry blasting procedures and relevant permits to ensure compliance with these documents and applicable regulations. This review should include an assessment of the impact of the contractor's blasting activities on communities within the vicinity of the quarries. Assess the conformance of safeguard policies triggered on the projects (OPs).
   Conduct interviews with management and line staff of the contractors' personnel and local workers dealing with the implementation of the projects and the relevant personnel of the IIU/MPW to corroborate information and probe areas of concern.

3. The Infrastructure Implementation Unit of the Ministry of Public Works 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.

The shortlisting criteria are **a) Core Business and Years in Business, b) Technical Managerial Organization of the Firm c) Experience in Similar Assignments d) Experience in Similar Condition.**
Key Expert will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

4. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, Procurement in Investment Project Financing, Goods, Works, non-Consulting and Consulting services *dated July 2016, revised November 2017, August 2018, November 2020, and September 2023* ("Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on Conflict of Interest.

5. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

6. A Consultant will be selected following the Consultants Qualification Selection (CQS) method set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations.

7. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours **Monday to Friday 0900 AM to 1600 PM (Local Time).**

8. Expressions of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person, or by mail, or by e-mail by **August 30, 2024,** at **1600 PM.**

9. The Ministry of Public Works
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