

IDB260-611/03

Country: BARBADOS
Project: COASTAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMME
Sector: Infrastructure
CONSTRUCTION OF COASTAL INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS
Loan No. 1386/OC-BA

This invitation for prequalification of works follows the general procurement notice for this project that appeared in the *UN Development Business* No. 560 of 16 June 2001.

The Government of Barbados has applied for a loan from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) for the partial financing of the Coastal Infrastructure Programme, and it intends to use part of the loan proceeds to payments under the contract for the construction of coastal infrastructure works.

The principal objective of the programme is to ensure a healthy environment and continued economic development of Barbados through improved management and conservation of the coastal zone.

The programme comprises a range of coastal management works and activities related to four specific objectives:

- *Shoreline stabilization and erosion control
- *Restoration of coastal habitats
- *Improvement of public coastal access
- *Institutional strengthening for coastal management

In order to achieve these objectives, a package of investment works, located at seven sites, are being designed for which construction will be required.

Accordingly, the Government of Barbados now invites qualified firms from IDB's eligible member countries to express their interest in being prequalified to tender for the investment works to be undertaken as part of the Coastal Infrastructure Programme.

The scope of works for the programme consists of:

- *Construction or modification of breakwaters, revetments, slipways and groynes
- *Supply and placement of sand recharge (artificial nourishment)
- *Construction of coastal boardwalks
- *Restoration of sand dunes
- *Provision of mechanical system for lagoon aeration

Some or all of the sand for the beach recharge might have to be obtained from offshore sources by dredging. Construction of offshore, submerged breakwaters may involve the placement of armour rocks in depths of several meters of water.

The IDB's applicable rules will apply in determining the eligibility of the contracting firms. Works performed under this contract will be subject to the provisions of the relevant loan contract entered into between the Government of Barbados and the IDB.

Any firm incorporated outside of Barbados, which is awarded a contract, will be required to register in Barbados under the Companies Act of Barbados.

Contractors seeking to be prequalified are required to submit a completed application form. In the comparison of applications, only and all those factors, methods and criteria specified in Section III, Evaluation Criteria, will be used, in accordance with the provisions stipulated in the instructions to applicants.

Prequalification forms may be obtained from the Coastal Zone Management Unit between the hours of 0900 and 1600 hours, Monday through Friday, upon payment of a non-refundable fee equivalent to BDS\$ 100, or US\$ 50, at the first address below.

Clarification and further information may be obtained from the same office. Any contracting firm wishing to prequalify must complete the necessary application form. In the case of joint ventures, each firm must submit a separate application form.

Prequalification forms must be submitted, in English, enclosed in a sealed envelope clearly marked on the top right hand corner "Prequalification Application, Coastal Infrastructure Programme", and returned no later than 1630 hours (Barbados time) on Friday, 12 September 2003, to the second address below. Late applications will not be considered.

Applicants will be advised in due course of the result of their applications. Only applicants prequalified under this procedure will be invited to bid under the international competitive bidding for the works.

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(2) Special Tenders Committee

Attn: Chairman

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