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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**Formulation of Tourism Development Plans and Visitor Management Plans for the Mountain Pine Ridge Forest Reserve, 1000 ft Falls Natural Monument and Caye Caulker Marine Reserve**

**Institution:** MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND DIASPORA RELATIONS (MTDR)

**Country:** BELIZE

**Project:** SUSTAINABLE TOURISM PROGRAM II (STPII)

**Sector:** SUSTAINABLE TOURISM

**Project No.:** BL-L1020

**Operation No:** 3566/OC-BL

**Project ID No.:** CS-41

**Deadline:** Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 4:00 pm (local Belize time)

The Government of Belize has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) under the “Sustainable Tourism Program II” (STPII), and intends to apply part of the proceeds towards payments for consulting services for the Formulation of Tourism Development Plans and Visitor Management Plans for the Mountain Pine Ridge Forest Reserve, 1000

ft Falls Natural Monument and Caye Caulker Marine Reserve.

The purpose of this consultancy is to formulate Tourism Development Plans and Visitor Management Plans in order to improve the quality of the visitor experience, ensuring that it is consistent, safe, enjoyable and reliable.

The consultancy firm will be expected to: (i) formulate Tourism Development Plans and Visitor Management Plans for the three protected areas; (ii) develop a tourism management framework for the protected areas; (iii) develop guidelines, manuals and information material; (iv) training.

Anticipated duration of this consultancy is no more than forty (40) weeks. The consultancy firm must demonstrate successful experience with tourism planning, protected areas planning, visitor management and risk management, including aspects related to community-based tourism and participatory planning. The team should also possess a working knowledge of local/international safety standards for COVID-19 measures, international environment and social safeguards, marketing and product development. The Key Experts will include a Project Coordinator, Visitor and Risk Management Specialist, Natural Resources Management Specialist, and a Hospitality, Health and Safety Specialist.

Previous experience working in projects financed by multi-lateral and bilateral organizations in the Caribbean is desirable and previous working experience in Belize is optimal.

The procurement method for this contract will be Selection Based on Consultants' Qualification (CQS) in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: Policies for the selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank (GN-2350-9), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

The Ministry of Tourism and Diaspora Relations now invites eligible 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 of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications.

Interested consultants may obtain further information by e-mail or by phone during office hours of 09:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday to Friday, local Belize time. Expressions of interest must be delivered via direct

mail or e-mail at the address indicated below by Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 4:00 pm, local Belize

time.

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