

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES

Selection # as assigned by e-Tool: RG-T3898-P001

Selection Method: Simplified Competitive Process

Country: The Bahamas

Sector: Reform/Modernization of the State

Funding – TC #: RG-T3898

Project #: ATN/OC-19073-RG

TC name: Advancing Digital States in the Caribbean

Description of Services: The selected consultant firm will conduct an in-depth evaluation of the current Civil Registry and Vital Records (CR/VR) information system used by the Government of the Bahamas (GoBh) and prepare recommendations; provide costed options for the upgrade or replacement of the current CR/VR information system as well as the digitization of CR/VR documents; and prepare Terms of Reference for the contracting of a consultant firm to implement the upgrade or replacement and digitization options selected by the GoBh.

Link to TC document: <https://www.iadb.org/en/project/RG-T3898>

The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) is executing the above-mentioned operation. For this operation, the IDB intends to contract consulting services described in this Request for Expressions of Interest. Expressions of interest must be delivered using the IDB Portal for Bank Executed Operations (<http://beo-procurement.iadb.org/home>) by: **February 25, 2022 at 5:00 P.M.** (Washington D.C. Time).

The consulting services (“the Services”) include

- *Conduct of an in-depth evaluation of the current CR/VR information system used by the Government of the Bahamas (GoBh).*
- *Conduct of interviews with key GoBh stakeholders to understand the use of the CR/VR system and assess gaps and needs.*
- *Provision costed options for the upgrade or replacement of the current CR/VR information system.*
- *Provision of an estimate of the number of CR/VR documents requiring digitization, along with a costed recommendation for digitization.*
- *Preparation of Terms of Reference for the contracting of a consultant firm(s) to (i) implement the upgrade or replacement option selected by the GoBh and (ii) support digitization of paper CR/VR documents.*

A contract is expected to be signed in the second quarter of 2022 and to be completed by third quarter of 2022.

Eligible consulting firms will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: [Policy for the Selection and Contracting of Consulting firms for Bank-executed Operational Work](#) - GN-2765-4. All eligible consulting firms, as defined in the Policy may express an interest. If the Consulting Firm is presented in a Consortium, it will designate one of them as a representative, and the latter will be responsible for the communications, the registration in the portal and for submitting the corresponding documents.

The IDB now invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the services described above in the [draft summary](#) of the intended Terms of Reference for the assignment. Interested consulting firms must provide information establishing that they are qualified to perform the Services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Eligible consulting firms may associate in a form of a Joint Venture or a sub-consultancy agreement to enhance their qualifications. Such association or Joint Venture shall appoint one of the firms as the representative.

Interested eligible consulting firms may obtain further information during office hours, 09:00 AM to 05:00 PM, (Washington D.C. Time) by sending an email to: Jason Wilks (jwilks@iadb.org) with copy to danak@iadb.org and dorria@iadb.org.

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