# REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

## The People's Republic of China Chongqing Small Cities Sustainable Development Project

**Assignment Title:** Tendering Consulting Services **Package No**(as per Procurement Plan): TA-4 / QCBS

The Government of the People's Republic of China has received financing from the New Development Bank ("the NDB") toward the cost of the Chongqing Small Cities Sustainable Development Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services under the contract TA-4 /QCBS" Tendering Consulting Services".

Loan Agreement and Project Agreement have been signed on May 28th, 2018. The total implementation period of the Project will last for 5 years. The period of this consulting service will last for about 5 years, expected to start from September 2018. The estimated level of effort is 169 staff-months.

The consulting services ("the Services") include providing consulting service:

- a. Assisting CPMO, District/County PMOs and PIUs in communicating and coordinating with the NDB and related authorities on the procurement issues, including participation in meetings, drafting relevant document and translation etc;
- b. Assisting CPMO, District/County PMOs and PIUs in preparing Procurement Plan;
- c. Providing consulting service or training to CPMO, District/County PMOs, PIUs and relevant units in terms of procurement policies, procedure, condition, process, period and arrangement stipulated by NDB and national government;
- d. Completing the procurement process for all the contracts included in Procurement Plan basing on the agency agreement, including preparation of bidding document, reporting to domestic authorities and NDB for file, publishing advertisement, in charge of clarification and answering queries, organizing bid opening and evaluation, publication of award of contract, contract awarding etc. Providing assistance to the pilot electronic bidding, and be responsible for the agency work of procuring contracts via electronic bidding.
- e. Assisting contract signing between PIU and recommended bidder;
- f. Assisting PIUs in handling issues related to procurement in the execution of the contract;
- g. Cooperating with other consulting agencies employed by PIU in relation to project procurement issues;

The Consultant shall complete this assignment according to the NDB's requirement, international practices, and Chinese laws and regulations.

Chongqing Project Management Office 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. Consultants may submit their Expressions of Interest as an individual firm or in association with other firms in the form of a joint venture or sub-consultancy. All the members of the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire assignment. The sub-consultant's experience will not be considered during the preparation of the short list.

The Expression of Interest shall specify the legal name (names, in the case of a joint venture or a subcontractor) of the interested Consultant, the legal status and country of registration, and indicate the experience related to this legal entity only (legal entities, in the case of a joint venture). Experience of companies other than such legal entity (entities) will not be evaluated.

### The shortlisting criteria are:

- a. The Consultant shall have Grade A certificate (issued by the National Development and Reform Commission) on procuring projects financed by central governments and the Consultant should be duly registered and engaged in the international bidding of mechanical and electrical products.
- b. The Consultant shall have rich experience in the bidding of projects financed by loans or grants from International Financial Organization for last ten years.
- c. The Consultant shall be familiar with national procurement laws and regulations, and have rich experience of bidding in domestic civil works, goods and consulting service.
- d. The Consultant from member states of BRICS may take either forms of joint venture or subcontract to meet the mandatory requirement on qualification issued by Chinese government.
- e. The Consultant shall have the capacity of providing qualified, continuous, timely, convenient and professional consulting services.
- f. The consulting team shall consist of experts, professionals or technicians as required in the TOR .

The application documents as required shall include the following, but not limited thereto:

- ❖ Legal name of the firm and its business licenses;
- Contact person and details (address, phone numbers, and email address);
- Firm's general profile, or brochures;
- Describe the organization structure, staffing situation and facilities;
- List general projects experiences for the last ten years, including the completed and the on-going projects;
- Other documentation as firm finds necessary to demonstrate its capability and competency to the assignments;

#### ❖ Intention of Joint Venture or Association.

The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality- and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method and the NDB's procurement policy.

According to the NDB's procurement policy the Consultants are eligible for providing services if they are incorporated in the NDB member countries.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 09:30 to 17:30 hours. The Terms of Reference of the Consulting Service can be obtained refer to the following web link:

http://mail.qq.com/cgi-bin/ftnExs\_download?k=01636161c533cc9ad95e1a76476502 4a02065858525c5503490252595848045d06024c585156014854530056545c0406055 65904615530312b3141070e171031010d050413457102010d021841265f0b17160d15 080b573601111708020010555252554f1101566559&t=exs\_ftn\_download&code=dca aae0e

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by July 5, 2018(Beijing time).

#### **Chongqing Project Management Office**

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