



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

Pacific Aviation Investment Program
Samoa Aviation Investment Project
Grant No.:P143408

Assignment Title: SAIP PROJECT ACCOUNTING SUPPORT
Reference No. SAA/LCS/S-D39.2

The Government of Samoa (GoS) have received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Samoa Aviation Investment Project and intend to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include project accounting services for Samoa Aviation Investment Project (SAIP). The consultant will be responsible for the day-to-day financial transactions under SAIP, under the direction of the SAIP Project Manager, in close liaison with the Technical and Fiduciary Services Unit (TFSU).

The firm will require to deploy at least one expert on a regular as-required basis starting as soon as possible for an initial two year period, with a possible two year extension, and will be based in-country.

The Implementing Agency, Samoa Airports Authority (SAA) 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 significant demonstrable experience in:

- i. At least Five (5) years of experience in finance and accounting;
- ii. Experience in at least two (2) projects similar to the assignment;
- iii. Experience in donor funded projects;
- iv. Experience in at least one Pacific country;
- v. Availability of qualified expert (s) suitable for the assignment.

The Expression of Interest should consist of documentary evidence clearly defining company profiles/core business descriptions, descriptions of similar assignments and experience in similar conditions.

It may include qualifications of the nominated personnel relevant to the assignment. CVs are not required of proposed consultants. Shortlisted Firms will be invited to submit a Simplified Technical and Financial Proposal.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to **paragraph 1.9** of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers* Selection and Employment of Consultants January 2011 version ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub consultancy to enhance their qualifications and must clearly indicate the type of association in their EOI. Only experience of the bidder or members of a joint venture will be considered in evaluation.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Least Cost Selection (LCS) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained through email at the address below. 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 5.00 pm on **4 August 2016 (Tonga time)**.

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