THE COOPERATIVE REPUBLIC OF GUYANA

MINISTRY OF LEGAL AFFAIRS
Loan: GY-L1044 - SUPPORT FOR THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
CONSULTING SERVICES (FIRM) – RE-TENDER

Loan No: 3876/BL-GY

Reference No: WBS Code: 2.11

The Government of Guyana through the Ministry of Legal Affairs and the Inter-American Development Bank recently signed a Loan Agreement for an intervention in the Justice Sector of Guyana. The Support for the Criminal Justice System Programme (herein under referred to as “the programme”) seeks to address institutional issues which affect Guyana’s criminal justice system. The Support for the Criminal Justice System Programme intends to apply part of the proceeds towards consulting services.

The Ministry of Legal Affairs now invites eligible “Consulting Firms” to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested firms should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience for the following consultancy:


Consultants will be selected 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 will be in accordance with the principles of comparison based on the Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method of procurement which is open to all eligible bidders as defined in this policy. A Short List shall comprise six firms, as stated in such policy. The Bank may accept a reduced number of firms in the Short List under justifiable special conditions.

The Programme now seeks the services of a Consulting Firm to draft, and support the implementation of, a comprehensive set of sentencing guidelines, which reflects suitable diversion and alternative sentencing options for all, inclusive of adults, juveniles and children. Given the complexity and magnitude of the task, the Lead consultant is required to convene, coordinate, consult with and work with a group of experts. Sentencing Guidelines Committee specially constituted after consultation with the Judiciary, Ministry of Legal Affairs and the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions.
Participants shall submit documents that would include a letter of intentions, firm’s profile, number and summary of main projects of the last 15 years and other support information regarding the activities described herein. Submissions shall not be comprised of more than 10 pages.

Firm’s Experience:

The consultancy will be conducted by a suitable qualified firm, selected on the basis of their ability to demonstrate the following competencies:

(i) Completed at least three (3) successful projects in Law Reform including Juvenile Justice, Family Law and Domestic Violence in Guyana or other common law jurisdiction in the last 15 years;
(ii) A minimum of fifteen (15) years’ working experience in Criminal Law in Guyana or other common law jurisdiction;
(iii) At-least seven (7) years’ experience of working with governments, preferably in a developing country context on access to justice or rule of law issues;
(iv) At-least five (5) years demonstrable experience in legal practice and support for Criminal Justice in the Justice Sector in Guyana or similar country;
(v) At-least three (3) projects involving preparing and presenting clear formative and final reports that are suitable for presentation to the highest levels of the Government and its development partners; and
(vi) Proven ability to engage in comparative research and analysis and contextualize strategic and technical advice to the local context and conditions, especially in the criminal justice system.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours between 09:00 to 15:00 hours, from Mondays to Fridays.

Expressions of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person, or by mail, or by e-mail by August 26, 2022.

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