

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES SELECTION)

SAINT LUCIA CARIBBEAN REGIONAL AIR TRANSPORT CONNECTIVITY PROJECT

Loan No.: 6653-LC

Assignment Title: Airport Infrastructure Specialist
Reference No. 202844-CS –INDV: P170860

The Saint Lucia Air and Sea Ports Authority has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Caribbean Regional Air Transport Connectivity Project (CATCOP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include the provision of airport infrastructure development expertise, in accordance with the Loan Agreement and World Bank Procurement Regulation for IPF Borrowers, in order to:

1. Oversee and coordinate design and implementation of the CATCOP-Saint Lucia airport infrastructure improvements to ensure completion on schedule, within budget and to technical specifications.
2. Coordinate and execute the compilation, analysis and presentation of data gathered from various sources which is required for carrying out engineering design work.
3. Coordinate with other CATCOP and non-CATCOP airport improvement activities as necessary to ensure design compatibility, minimize interference and disruption during construction activities, and ensure timely implementation.
4. Support the procurement of design and implementation contractors by providing technical inputs for bidding and contract documents and technical / cost evaluation of bids.
5. Oversee manage, and direct infrastructure design and implementation contractors.
6. Conduct cost and schedule analyses, estimating expected costs and timeline for infrastructure improvements.

The Airport Infrastructure Specialist will serve in a full-time position supporting the PIU on-site in Saint Lucia. The role is for one year initially with up to five additional one-year extensions possible depending upon performance and Project needs.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment are available at:

- The official website of the Saint Lucia Air & Seaports Authority: www.slaspa.com;
- Government of Saint Lucia Website: www.govt.lc

- LinkedIn:
<https://www.linkedin.com/company/saint-lucia-air-and-sea-ports-authority/>

The Saint Lucia Air and Sea Ports Authority now invites eligible individuals (“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:

- A civil engineering degree from an accredited university. While not required, a master’s degree would be viewed favorably.
- At least 10 years of aviation-related infrastructure engineering and implementation oversight experience with a substantial emphasis on airfield projects.
- Demonstrated substantial experience overseeing airport infrastructure design and implementation projects, including design reviews and quality inspection of construction works. Familiarity with the Caribbean region and donor / lender development projects would be viewed favorably. Experience in World Bank funded projects would be an added advantage.
- Excellent understanding of ICAO’s Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) relating to airport infrastructure, facilities, and equipment. Knowledge of SLASPA and ECCAA rules and procedures would be viewed favorably.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” July 2016, Revised November 2017 and August 2018 (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment:

- Consultants shall not be hired for any assignment that would be in conflict with their prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place them in a position of being unable to carry out the assignment in the best interests of the Borrower. Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, Consultants shall not be hired under the circumstances set forth below:
 - a firm that has been engaged by the Borrower to provide Goods, Works, or Non-consulting Services for a project (or an affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that firm), shall be disqualified from providing Consulting Services resulting from, or directly related to, those Goods, Works, or Non-consulting Services. This provision does not apply to the various firms (Consultants, contractors, or suppliers), which together are performing the contractor’s obligations under a turnkey or design and build contract;
 - a firm that has been engaged by the Borrower to provide Consulting Services for the preparation or implementation of a project (or an affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that Consulting firm), shall be disqualified from subsequently providing Goods, Works, or Non-consulting Services resulting from, or directly related to those

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- neither a Consultant (including personnel and sub-consultants), nor an affiliate (that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that Consultant), shall be hired for any assignment that, by its nature, creates a conflict of interest with another assignment of the Consultant;
- Consultants (including their experts and other personnel, and sub-consultants), that have a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of the Borrower, or of the project implementing agency, or of a recipient of a part of the Bank's financing, or any other party representing or acting on behalf of the Borrower, that is directly or indirectly involved in any part of:
 - i. the preparation of the TOR for the assignment;
 - ii. the selection process for the contract; or
 - iii. the supervision of the contract, may not be awarded a contract, unless the conflict stemming from this relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the Bank throughout the selection process and the execution of the contract.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Open Competitive Selection method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:00am to 4:30pm AST.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form (using the attached form to complete the CV) to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by August 31, 2021.

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