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MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORT
DEPARTMENT OF ROADS

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESS OF INTEREST
NATIONAL PROJECT OPERATION AND IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT CONSULTANT
TO SUPPORT COMPONENT 2 & 3 (SUB-COMPONENT 2.1, 2.2 AND SUB-COMPONENT 3.2)
(PP Ref. No. ICS-009, Project ID No. P176088; IDA Credit No. 7102-LA)

The Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MPWT); Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF); Ministry of Industry and Commerce (MOIC); Ministry of Public Security (MOPS); Ministry of Planning and Investment (MPI), Ministry of Health (MOH) and Ministry of Finance (MOF) of Lao PDR had received financial support from the World Bank's (WB) International Development Association (IDA) to implement the Southeast Asia Regional Economic Corridor and Connectivity (SEARECC) with a project duration of six (6) years starting from middle of year 2022, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The proposed of SEARECC seeks to improve the domestic and regional transport connectivity and logistics facilities, with associated policy reforms for increased economic activities along selected transport corridors in Northern Lao PDR. The project scope includes improvement of transport connectivity and logistics services in Lao PDR, trade facilitation, border crossing control management, and agriculture trade along the NR2 corridor and five provinces in the corridor catchment area. National Road 2 (NR2), 295 km long and a part of ASEAN highway No. 13. SEARECC consists of five (5) components as follow : (1) Lao PDR and Regional Connectivity Enhancement, (2) Logistics Services Development and Vorder-Crossing Management, (3) Strengthening Institutional Capacity and Regulatory Framework in Agriculture, Transport, and Investment Planning, (4) Project Management and (5) Contingency Emergency Response.

The DOT-MPWT is seeking a full-time National Project Implementation Operational and Support Consultant (NPIOSC) will support Component 2 (Sub-Component 2.1 and 2.2) and also Sub-Component 3.2 (iii) strengthening capacity for planning and implementation of the multi-modal transport network management framework and logistics management at both national and provincial levels) of the SEARECC project with the Department of Transport (DoT) of MPWT as lead agency for Component 2.

The services of NPIOSC is initially required for a period of 24 months starting from March 2023 on a full-time basis working at DOT-MPWT, with possibility of extension depending on the Project needs and availability of funds. The NPIOSC will be based in Vientiane, Lao PDR. Contract extensions shall be subject to annual performance evaluation

The SEARECC Project Procurement Committee now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultant should provide information (CV, Expression of Interest, other supporting information, if any) demonstrating that s/he has the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. In order to qualify for this position, the candidates shall meet the following experience and competence requirements :

- At least a bachelor's degree in Transport Planning, or Logistics Management or additional degree in economics or business administration is preferential.
- Relevant work experience as Project Coordinator or similar positions with major donor funded projects, particularly with World Bank funded projects, will be an advantage.
- Minimum 1 similar assignment, undergoing or completed, within the past 5 years; such experience in dry port management and/or logistics management is a strong advantage.
- Knowledge, skills and experience in result-based planning, quality control, monitoring and evaluation and human resources management, ideally within the infrastructure sector.
- Good knowledge of spoken and written English and Good communication skills
- Good computer literacy in Engineering software (e.g. AutoCAD/Sketchup, AirGIS) and Microsoft office (e.g., Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Willingness to travel as needed
- Flexibility and ability to work and deliver high-quality production time
- Excellence in written and speaking English.

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" 4th edition of November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

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 10 March 2023, 16:00 o'clock Lao time (submissions via email are also acceptable). Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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Yours sincerely,



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