



LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRATIC UNITY PROSPERITY

Ministry of Planning and Investment
Lao Statistics Bureau
Department of Cabinet

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR AN
International Social Statistics and Survey Expert

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Lao Statistics Bureau (LSB) under Ministry of Planning and Investment(MPI) has received funding (US\$21 million) of the International Development Association (IDA Loan) from the World Bank (WB) to improve the capacity of the Lao PDR Statistical System to produce and disseminate good quality statistics in a timely manner and to enhance use of key statistics, and in case of an Eligible Crisis or Emergency, respond promptly and effectively to it. The project is aligned closely with the Strategy for the Development of National Statistical System (2016 – 2025) and Vision 2030. The proposed instrument is IPF (IDA loan), drawing on experience from recent successful WB project (LAOSTAT 1) and other donor funded projects supporting the Lao Statistical System qualified and PIU. The minimum qualification requirements for the consultant is listed below:

QUALIFICATION

- At least a postgraduate master's degree in economics & statistics, or in other related fields
- Proven minimum of ten years of international experience in the Statistics Field especially in Survey, Data Collection, and Data Management.
- Strong computer skills and strong expertise in data analyses (familiarity with data processing and data analysis software, e.g., SPSS).
- High competencies in designing surveys, developing survey methodologies and tools, sampling techniques and sample selection, and skills in capacity building.
- Experience in Capacity Building Projects particularly in Statistics Field
- Excellent oral and written communication in English is required; Knowledge of the Lao language is an advantage.
- Surveys and Data Management experiences with some ministries in Lao PDR are preferred.
- Knowledge of the Lao PDR Government system/institutions and familiarity with the Lao Statistics Bureau.

SCOPE OF THE WORK AND MAJOR TASKS

- Under the overall supervision of the Project Director (PD), the Social Statistics and Survey Expert will have the following specific duties
- Introduce the PD, PM, and PIU with some strategic views of the availability and quality of statistics that meet international standards, especially adding new statistical

approaches and improving the development of available statistics with accuracy, reliability, relevance, and timeliness.

- Together with PIU and the corresponding departments of LSB, review the existing data collection approaches, development of the indicators, relevant metadata, and interpretation of the statistics and indicators produced.
- Support capacity building on research methodology covering survey design, survey methods, sampling techniques, data processing and management, and interpretation of the statistics and indicators.
- Provide technical assistance to the executing departments or focal departments of LSB focusing on their implementation of the census and surveys such as the development of the implementation plan, survey design, determination of the sampling techniques and sample size, development of the survey tools, participating in the data collection training, and monitoring, data processing, and preparation of the findings reports.

Interested Consultant should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services, such as an updated curriculum vitae indicating personal and technical skills, academic qualifications and experience in similar assignments. Consultants may obtain copies of the detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) in English from the address below during office hours 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday.

Expressions of interest shall be delivered by e-mail by **03 October 2023** to the following:

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