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MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORT
DEPARTMENT OF ROADS

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESS OF INTEREST (REOI)
FOR TWO (2) NATIONAL PROJECT PROCUREMENT ASSISTANTS (NPPAs)
(Project ID No. P176088; IDA Credit No. 7102-LA)

The Government of Lao Peoples Democratic Republic (GoL) has applied for financing 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: Phongsaly, Oudomxay, Luangnamtha, Luangprabang, and Xayaboury. 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 Department of Planning and Finance (SEARECC), Ministry of Public Works and Transport seeks two full-time staffs for the position of National Procurement Assistant (NPPA) to work closely with the National Procurement Consultant by assist the Project Procurement Committee and Project Management Unit (PMU) each component in the implementation of SEARECC. Specifically, the two NPPA positions to support Component 2 and Component 3.

The NPPAs will Support Procurement Committee (PC), Procurement Secretariat Committee (PSC), Project Management Unit (PMU) and its Manager with the PMU's functions, resources and staff within line departments and ministries. The total estimated inputs for this assignment are 24 months with renewal based on satisfactory performance review, this assignment is expected to commence from May 2023. The ToRs are identical for all 2 positions and can be sent to candidates upon written request to the e-mail address below.

The Project Procurement Committee of SEARECC Project 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:

- 1) At least a diploma in business administration, finance, engineering or any related field.
- 2) At least 3 years' experience in similar position
- 3) At least 2 years specific experiences in the procurement of goods and services and in management of project technical procedures
- 4) Practical work experience with World Bank or ADB procurement procedures, is essential; experience of working with STEP system is an advantage;
- 5) Proficiency in English – speaking and writing in both English and Lao languages.

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.

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 e-mail) by 7 April 2023, 16:00 o'clock Lao time (submissions via email are also acceptable). Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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