



ORGANISATION OF EASTERN CARIBBEAN STATES

Electronic Government for Regional Integration Project (EGRIP)

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR DESIGNING AN ACTION PLAN FOR POOLED PROCUREMENT AND PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP) FRAMEWORK FOR E-PROCUREMENT

IDA Credits: 4451-LC, 4452-GD, 4453-DM and 4650-VC

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REQUESTS FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Governments of Dominica, Grenada, Saint Lucia and St. Vincent and the Grenadines have each received individual credits in the amount of 1.5 Million SDRs, equivalent to US\$ 2.3 Million, from the International Development Association (IDA) for the financing of the OECS Electronic Government for Regional Integration Project (EGRIP) and intend to apply part of the proceeds for consultancy services for a **Designing an Action Plan for Pooled Procurement and Public Private Partnership (PPP) Framework for E-Procurement**.

The Regional E-Government Unit (REGU) of the OECS Secretariat now invites eligible consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications.

The key objectives of this assignment include:

- (i) Conducting an assessment of the procurement environment in participating countries;
- (ii) Conducting the conceptual and technical design of the regional e-procurement platform,
- (iii) Assessing alternative implementation options, such as using a PPP framework for e-procurement,
- (iv) Preparing a detailed implementation plan for the e-procurement platform;

- (v) Preparing an action plan for pooled procurement on the basis of the platform;
- (vi) Support the implementation of the e-procurement action plan, including providing technical support for the OECS PPS, National and regional e-procurement systems;

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers, January 1997 (revised September 1997, January 1999, May 2004 and October 2006).

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30p.m. (900 hours to 1630 hours).

Expressions of Interest must be delivered to the address below by 4:00 pm (1600 hours) on **Thursday, 22 July 2010**:

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