



**COMMONWEALTH OF DOMINICA
DISASTER VULNERABILITY REDUCTION PROJECT**

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Assignment Title: Pre-Engineering and Design Services - Eastern Island Road Works

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Commonwealth of Dominica has received financing from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (The World Bank) towards the cost of the Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project (DVRP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for Consulting Services for Pre-Engineering and Design Services of four (4) lots of the Eastern Island Road Works.

Scope of Services

In the conduct of these services, the Consultants shall collaborate with the Project Coordination Unit (PCU) – Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project (DVRP), the Ministry of Public Works and Ports and other key government agencies responsible for project development and implementation. Participatory methodologies should be utilized in data gathering and action planning with all stakeholders. The Consultant shall be solely responsible for the analysis and interpretation of all data received and collected, and the timely completion of the designs and reports. The following represents a sampling of the specific activities required to satisfy the objectives of this Consultancy. This is not an exhaustive list and the absence of any ‘activities’ necessary for the Consultant to satisfy the objectives does not preclude the Consultant’s obligation to satisfy the objectives.

- I. The Consultant shall be required to conduct a comprehensive study including, but not limited to:
 - a. Pre-Engineering and Engineering Studies, Hydraulic/Hydrological, Geotechnical Engineering Design and Natural Hazard Risk Assessments.
 - b. Environmental and Social Assessments. The studies must present an environmental baseline with information on the physical, biological, social, cultural and economic environment. Information on land use, water use, water quality, geology, soils, climate, air quality, vegetation, fauna, protected areas, important ecosystems, population, traffic accidents, directly affected people, means of transportation (motorized, non-motorized) and any other relevant information should be included for the area of influence of the project. The Consultant will collaborate with the Social and Environmental Specialists of the PCU to develop an Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP).
 - c. Conduct an Engineering and a Cadastral Survey of the area.

- d. Prepare preliminary engineering designs for the road, bridges and culverts and drainage and road safety elements required for the best alignment and the optimum length of the road to be rehabilitated in accordance with appropriate standards.
- e. Detailed Engineering and Design Services of the execution of works/services, inclusive of the following: Slope stabilization, rehabilitation/reconstruction and realignment (as needed) of road segments and structures, and drainage system rehabilitation in the Eastern parts of the island as per four (4) specific lots:

Lot 1 – Pont Casse to Bois Diable (4.5 km)
Lot 2 - Bois Diable to Castle Bruce (9.5 km)
Lot 3 - Castle Bruce to Petite Soufriere (8.8 km)
Lot 4 - Castle Bruce to Hatton Garden [through the Kalinago Territory] (20.5 km)

It is expected that the consultancy will be completed over an eight (8) month period. The Consultant shall supply three (3) printed copies of the final design report including all drawings, tables and graphs.

The Project Coordination Unit (PCU) within the Ministry of Health and Environment, on behalf of the Government of Dominica, now invites, eligible Consulting Firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and experience (description of similar assignments, contracts and contracts amounts, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).

The firm must have:

- (i) At least ten (10) years’ experience in the area of feasibility studies inclusive of topographical, geotechnical, coastal, hydrologic and hydraulic, civil and structural engineering design and development with proven experience in the design of roads, retaining walls and sewage and drainage systems. Experience must include topographical and geotechnical surveys as well as quantity surveying.
- (ii) At least one (1) similar assignment for design of roads during the past three (3) years.
- (iii) Experience working in the Caribbean will be an asset.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank’s [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under International Development Association \(IDA\) Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers](#) published by the Bank in January 2011 (“Consultant Guidelines”), setting forth the World Bank’s Policy on Conflict of Interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a Joint Venture or a Sub-Consultancy to enhance their qualifications. Consultants should indicate the form of the association (Joint-Venture or Sub-Consultancy; member in charge; other member/s and or sub-consultants). Joint Ventures should submit letters of intent indicating their intent to form a Joint Venture if awarded the contract and shall provide the above mentioned information for each member of the Joint Venture.

A Consulting Firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) Method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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 **Monday, October 10, 2016**.

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