



Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Ministry of Education

Selection of International Consulting Firm/Institution/Organization for Overseas
Training Management under Secondary Education Sector Investment Program
(SESIP)

Request for Expression of Interest (REOI)

for

Short listing of International Firms/Institutions/Organizations for Overseas Training
Management

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The Directorate of Secondary and Higher Education (DSHE) has been allocated public funds from the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh (GOB) and the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of Secondary Education Sector Investment Program (SESIP) and, intends to apply part of the proceeds of these funds under the ADB Loan No. L-3320-BAN, Tranche-2, to eligible payments to the selected consulting firm/institution/organization under the consultancy services for the program for which this REOI is issued.

2. SESIP will support the government's reform of secondary education into a system that builds the foundation for a skilled labor force and prepares youths to meet the requirements of a rapidly developing economy. The program has been designed to make the secondary education more relevant to job market and thus it would reduce the percentage of people living below the poverty line. This would help achieving the target status of the middle income country by 2021 as set forth in 2021 vision. The overall objective of the SESIP is "to reduce the poverty in Bangladesh by establishing a more relevant secondary education in terms of quality, efficiency and equity through improving the secondary education sector as a whole."

3. To support the implementation of the overseas training programs, which will all be arranged outside Bangladesh, an International Management consulting firm/institution/organization with relevant experience will be recruited as Service Provider to work under SPSU. The firm/institution/organization will report to the Team Leader (international) appointed by DSHE and the firm/institution/organization shall work in close cooperation and under overall guidance and direction by the Team Leader. The assignment location will be in Dhaka, Bangladesh. The duration of the assignment will be 12 months. The consulting services will require estimated time inputs of 81 person-months comprising of 45 person-months international experts and 36 person-months national experts implemented over the assignment period from the commencement date. It is expected that the services will commence in January 2017 and will be completed in December 2017. The Ministry of Education (MOE), GOB will be the Executing Agency (EA) and DSHE under MOE, GOB will be the Implementing Agency (IA).

4. DSHE now invites eligible international consulting firms/institutions/organizations to submit EOI for Consultancy Services for SESIP for 'Overseas Training Management' under the financing agreement between ADB and the GOB. Eligible international consulting firms/institutions/organizations should submit their EOIs either through ADB's consultant management system at <http://cms.adb.org> or electronically via e-mail to: rkumarroy@gmail.com/shiponkd@hotmail.com or in hardcopy to the address of the undersigned. "Expression of Interest (EOI): Overseas Training Management" for Secondary Education Sector Investment Program" should appear on the envelope. The

firms/institutions/organizations must prepare and submit their EOIs in a standard form, "Template for Expression of Interest (Consulting Firms)", which can be obtained by contacting the office of the Joint Program Director at the address indicated below or downloading from the ADB website <http://www.adb.org/site/business-opportunities/operational-procurement/consulting/documents#loans>

5. The scope of work and detailed **Terms of Reference (TOR)** can be obtained by contacting the office of the **Joint Program Director, SPSU** during regular office hours or can be downloaded from SESIP's website (<http://www.sesip.gov.bd>).

6. A group of consulting firms/institutions/organizations may form an association to express interest together and, have their qualifications and experience considered jointly. Associations may take the form of joint ventures or subconsultancies.

7. The short listing will follow the "Guidelines on The Use of Consultants by Asian Development Bank and Its Borrowers, March 2013" including revisions, if any. The Consultant will be selected using Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) Method. The EOI from the consulting firm/institution/organization will be rejected if it or its associated firm has been debarred by the GOB or the ADB.

8. In addition to Eligibility criteria and others as appropriate, short listing will be carried out by the following major criteria as in the ADB EOI Template for Consulting Firms:

- **Technical Competence**

Similar experience in planning, organizing and managing international training in relevant fields for at least two (2) contracts during last five (5) years

- **Geographical Experience**

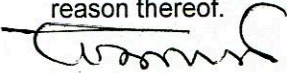
Past experience of implementing Overseas Training Management for participants drawn from South Asian countries

- **Management Competence**

High quality management coordination covering contract supervision, client liaison, team management, qualification and experience of the responsible senior management etc

9. The EOI must be submitted as stated under Para 4 above by 4:00 PM on **27 July 2016**.

10. The Procuring Entity reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the EOIs without assigning any reason thereof.


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