## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

## **GRENADA**

Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Skills & Innovation Project

Credit No: IDA-74840

Assignment Title: Consultancy to Conduct Assessment of Post-Secondary Institutions – Physical Infrastructure

Reference No.: GD-MOE-GRENADA-430657-CS-CQS

The Government of Grenada has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the OECS Skills & Innovation Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include an infrastructural assessment of select buildings of the T.A. Marryshow Community College (TAMCC) and the New Life Organisation (NEWLO). This is inclusive of all curricular and co-curricular laboratories and workshops as well as equipment required to support quality, relevant and innovative programme delivery.

Including consideration of non-structural elements, and engagement with the private sector to participate in the diagnostic assessment aimed at ensuring the relevance of the physical and digital infrastructure for the educational offerings, and the capacity of the post-secondary institutions to share resources and conduct knowledge exchanges with other OECS Member States.

The expected duration of the consultancy is five (5) months, the expected start date of the assignment is August 2025.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following websites: <a href="https://www.procurement.gd/contract-notices">https://www.procurement.gd/contract-notices</a>, or <a href="https://in-tendhost.co.uk/gnd/aspx/Home">https://in-tendhost.co.uk/gnd/aspx/Home</a>, or via <a href="mailto:nafeesah.abdullateef@procurement.gov.gd">nafeesah.abdullateef@procurement.gov.gd</a>.

The Ministry of Education 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 relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Minimum of 7 years' experience in Civil or Structural Engineering, Architectural, Facilities Management, Surveying, Physical Planning and or related field within the higher education sector.
- Proven record of at least two (2) completed assignments related to higher education sector assessments with demonstrated ability to conduct Physical Infrastructure assessments of post-secondary institutions in accordance with national and regional building standards.
- Demonstrated experience in preparation and implementation of architectural and infrastructure projects.

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

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" fifth edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment:

• "Consultants shall not be hired for any assignment that would be in conflict with their prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place them in a position of being unable to carry out the assignment in the best interests of the Borrower..."

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant's Qualification Based Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained through In-Tend or via <u>nafeesah.abdullateef@procurement.gov.gd</u> to seek clarification.

**Expressions of interest must be delivered through electronic submission** through the procurement system at <a href="https://in-tendhost.co.uk/gnd/aspx/Home">https://in-tendhost.co.uk/gnd/aspx/Home</a>. Candidates must register on this portal and submit all interest through this medium.

Upon receipt of the documents, a confirmation e-mail acknowledging the names of the files received will be sent.

Date for Submission: April 11th 2025, before 3:00pm Eastern Caribbean Time.

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