



## **Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines**

### **Kingstown Port Modernisation Works**

#### **Request for Expression of Interest / Prequalification of Bidders**

The Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines (GOSVG) will receive financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) and the United Kingdom Caribbean Infrastructure Partnership Fund (UKCIF) towards the cost of the construction of the *Kingstown Port Modernisation Works*.

The proposed site for the Port Modernisation Works is located in the Kingstown precinct, west of the existing cargo port, and against existing reclaimed foreshore lands occupied by a concentration of established warehousing and commercial properties. Seaward reclamation is required to provide approximately 5 ha of new port area. The Works are to include all marine and civil works, utilities, buildings and warehouse requirements to ensure an operational facility.

The Works will include:

- a) Offshore sewer line and outfall diffuser
- b) Main cargo terminal: approx. 5 ha to be reclaimed, 380 m of quay wall, an administrative building, warehouses and a maintenance facility
- c) Supporting road works and parking behind the terminal and road upgrades to facilitate traffic flow in Kingstown

The Ministry of National Security, Air and Sea Port Development, the Executing Agency of the project, now invites prospective bidders to indicate their interest in the works and provide prequalification information.

Consideration will be limited to firms or Joint Ventures of firms (JVs), which are legally incorporated or otherwise organised in, and have their principal place of business in an eligible country and are either:

- (a) more than 50% beneficially owned by a citizen or citizens and/or a bona fide resident or residents of an eligible country, or by a body corporate or bodies corporate meeting these requirements;

or

- (b) Owned or controlled by the Government of an eligible country provided that it is legally and financially autonomous and operated under the commercial law of an eligible country and otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of the CDB Guidelines for Procurement (2019).

Eligible countries are member countries of the CDB (Borrowing and non-borrowing).

Qualification requirements include, inter alia:

- (a) an average combined annual construction turnover (defined as certified payments received for works in progress or completed) within the last five (5) years of at least eighty million United States Dollars (USD80mn),
- (b) a demonstrable cash flow (including access to credit) of fifteen million United States Dollars (USD15mn); and
- (c) Experience as prime contractor in the construction of at least three (3) assignments of a similar nature (Port/Marine projects), scope and complexity comparable to the proposed project activity within the last ten (10) years (to comply with this requirement, works quoted should be at least 80 percent complete).

Prospective bidders will be required to submit qualification information establishing their eligibility to bid and qualification to perform the contract. Qualification information is to be submitted in the English Language on the prescribed forms inserted in the Prequalification Documents. Submissions that do not provide the information required, or do not demonstrate the prospective bidder's ability to perform satisfactorily, will not qualify and will not be invited to bid.

Prequalification Documents may be obtained by prospective bidders by sending request to the e-mail address: [svgportmodernization@gmail.com](mailto:svgportmodernization@gmail.com). Email subject must be clearly marked: "*Request for Prequalification Documents for Kingstown Port Modernization Works*", along with the name, address (including e-mail contact) and contact information of the bidder for which Prequalification Documents are being requested.

Submissions must be sent electronically via PDF document to [svgportconstructionproject@gmail.com](mailto:svgportconstructionproject@gmail.com), which must be received no later than 14:00 AST on Friday, February 21, 2020, addressed to:

**Chairman**

Central Supplies Tenders Board  
Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning  
2nd Floor Administrative Building  
Bay Street, Kingstown  
St Vincent and the Grenadines

And, on the same e-mail, copy to [procurement@caribank.org](mailto:procurement@caribank.org).

The authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications, or annul the prequalification process at any time without assigning any reason(s) whatsoever and without incurring any liability to the affected firm(s).

Prospective bidders will be advised in due course of the results of their application. Only firms and JVs prequalified under this procedure will be invited to bid.