

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

SAINT LUCIA

DISASTER VULNERABILITY REDUCTION PROJECT

Loan #5493-LC, SCF Loan # TF017101, SCF Grant # TF017143

**Assignment Title: ASSESSMENT AND REHABILITATION OF MAJOR RIVERS
IN SAINT LUCIA**

Reference No. : SLU-DVRP-QCBS-ARMRSLU-02-20

Saint Lucia has received financing from the World Bank towards the Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project (DVRP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services for the assessment and rehabilitation of major rivers (7). The consulting services (“the Services”) include assessing select rivers and their banks and developing appropriate prescriptions, including management measures and site-specific physical interventions, for rehabilitation of the assessed systems. The assessment will involve a desk review, field reconnaissance and surveys, data collection, sample testing, use of GIS and remote sensing tools, and modelling. Physical interventions will include soil bioengineering and agroforestry approaches. The consultant will also develop a Rehabilitation Plan for each river assessed using internationally accepted best practice. The scope will include work along seven (7) major rivers in Saint Lucia. The assignment will be for the duration of not more than 13.5 months (59 weeks). The person-months for the team of experts is expected not to exceed 30 person-months. (*The Terms of Reference may be obtained on the website of the Department of Finance: www.finance.gov.lc*).

The Department of Economic Development, Transport and Civil Aviation 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; (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, ***please note that the individual experts’ bio data is not required.***)

The shortlisting criteria are:

The minimum required qualifications and experience of the consulting firm are:

Legally established;

At least 10 years of experience in the areas of river, riverbank and slope stabilization assessments; river and riverbank rehabilitation; and landslide rehabilitation and management.

At least one successfully completed similar assignment during the past 10 years; that is, an assignment involving assessment of rivers, hydrologic or hydraulic modelling, and

rehabilitation of rivers, riverbanks and landslides using soil bioengineering or agroforestry approaches.

Experience in small island developing states (SIDS) and the Caribbean region would be an advantage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Guidelines: *Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers; January 2011-Revised July 2014* ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications. **The associations should clearly indicate the form of the association (Joint-venture or sub-consultancy; member in charge; other member/s and or sub-consultants). Joint ventures shall 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 Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Quality-and-Cost Based Selection (QCBS)** method set out in the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers 2011, revised July 2014* ("Consultant Guidelines").

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:00 a.m-4:00 p.m. (0800 to 1600 hours).

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 **March 30, 2020**.

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