

**GOVERNMENT OF ST. VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
TVET DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

SUPPLY OF TVET EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

INVITATION TO BID

The Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines (GOSVG) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in an amount equivalent to 12.317 million United States dollars towards the cost of a Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Development Project and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under a contract(s) for which this invitation is issued. Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of GOSVG and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than the GOSVG shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The Ministry of Education, as executing agency for GOSVG, now invites sealed bids from eligible firms for the supply of TVET Equipment and Supplies in the following lot:

- (a) Lot 5 – Cosmetology; and

Tenderers can bid for one or all the lots.

Consideration will be limited to firms or joint ventures of firms 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 citizen or citizens and/or bona fide resident or residents of an eligible country or by a body corporate or bodies corporate meeting these requirements; or
- (a) 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.

Eligible countries are Member Countries of CDB.

Eligible bidders will be required to submit full qualification information with their bids establishing their eligibility to bid and qualification to perform the contract if the bid is accepted. Tender and qualification information are to be submitted in the English Language on the prescribed forms inserted in the Bid Documents. Submissions that do not provide the information required or that do not demonstrate the prospective contractor's ability to perform satisfactorily, will not qualify and will not be considered for further evaluation.

Interested eligible firms may obtain further information and inspect the bidding documents by contacting the office of the Project Coordinator at the first address below between the hours of 8.30 a.m. and 3.30 p.m., local time, Monday through Friday.

A complete set of the bidding documents (electronic copy) may be obtained on the submission of a written application to the office of the Project Coordinator, at the same address.

Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes marked “**TENDER FOR THE SUPPLY OF GOODS FOR TVET TRAINING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT PHASE ONE**” and delivered to the second address below on or before 2:00 p.m. (local time) on **Friday, August 11, 2017**. Bids will be opened, immediately thereafter, in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at 2:15 p.m. on August 11, 2017 at the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning’s Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Administrative Complex, Kingstown, St. Vincent and the Grenadines. Qualification information only must be submitted simultaneously to the third address below. Bids received after the prescribed time and date will be rejected.

GOSVG reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected prospective bidder(s) or any obligation to inform the affected prospective bidder(s) of the grounds for GOSVG’s action. GOSVG will not defray any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of bids.

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<p>3. Procurement Officer Caribbean Development Bank P.O. Box 408 Wildey St. Michael Barbados, W.I., BB11000 Tel: + (246) 431-1600 Fax: + (246) 426-7269 Email: procurement@caribank.org</p>	