

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

OECS Regional Tourism Competitiveness Project

Credit No.: 6001- VC

CONSULTANCY TO DEVELOP A BUSINESS PLAN

For the Management, Operation, Marketing and Commercialization of Fort Charlotte

Reference No. SVGRTCP-C-QCBS - 3

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **OECS Regional Tourism Competitiveness Project**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include assistance to the Ministry of Tourism, Civil Aviation, Sustainable Development and Culture to articulate for Fort Charlotte: ***A Sustainable Business Plan for the period 2022 - 2032***, for its management and optimal operation, as well as for marketing, financing, and commercialization which will support the development of tourism activities and services at and around the site, that is gender inclusive and results in increased tourism spending. The consultancy is expected to commence in November 2022 and for a duration of 150 days.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.gov.vc

The **Economic Planning Division** 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: (1) demonstrated experience in preparing business plans for cultural heritage sites, and (2) proven experience in executing at least, two (2) similar consultancies within the past five (5) years.

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.

The Consultants will be selected in accordance with the **Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS)** method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours **0900 to 1500 hours**.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by e-mail) by **Tuesday May 17, 2022**.

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