



**MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS,  
INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS EN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES**

Institution: **The Inter-American Development Bank**

Country: **The Republic of Suriname**

Project: **Foreign Investment and Export Promotion Program**

Sector: **Trade & Investment**

Abstract: **Expressions of Interest for contracting a firm to design and implement a survey that will provide SITA and public stakeholders with a clearer understanding of the constraints and needs of both exporters and foreign investors in Suriname**

Loan/Credit/Grant No.: **4801/OC-SU**

Contract/Bid No. : **FIEPP-55-SBCC-CF-**

Deadline: **January 03, 2024**

The Republic of Suriname, through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Business and International Cooperation, has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), toward the cost of the Foreign Investment and Export Promotion Program (FIEPP, project no. SU-L1056), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The objective of this consultancy is to provide SITA and public stakeholders with a clearer understanding of the constraints and needs of both exporters and foreign investors in Suriname. The survey is expected to provide the wider stakeholders in Suriname, including policy makers, business support organizations (BSOs) and business with a barometer of business confidence in exporting and investment and track this over time to enable them to prioritize and address constraints to encourage and facilitate both exports and investments.

The consulting services (“the services”) include the following:

- a comprehensive survey of foreign investors and existing exporters in Suriname twice in a 12-month period combined with one exporter and one foreign investor focus group at a time to be determined by SITA.
- The results will be analyzed and prepared by the Consultant for easy dissemination and use across multiple platforms including full report and analysis, online barometer, infographics, press releases etc.
- The Survey shall ensure adequate representation by sector, gender (woman owned or controlled), size and for exporters, identify specific social groups.
- At all times, the Consultant will ensure they acknowledge clearly that the survey is being undertaken on behalf of SITA and brand materials accordingly.

The duration of the assignment is expected to last no more than twelve (12) months.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Business and International Cooperation 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 Expression of Interest (EOI) does not have a specific format or template, but should include:

- (i) a letter of interest from the firm to participate in the assignment,
- (ii) profile of the firm, including evidence of the requisite expertise and skills,
- (iii) a list of similar assignments executed during the last 5 years, and
- (iv) proof of legal status of the firm.

*Short lists shall comprise firms with a wide geographic spread not fewer than five (5) and not more than eight (8) eligible firms.*

Consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: [Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank](#) GN-2350-15 and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications. For the purpose of establishing the short list, the nationality of a firm is that of the country in which it is legally incorporated or constituted and in the case of Joint Venture, the nationality of the firm appointed to represent it.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 08.00 to 15.00 hours Suriname Time (SRT).

Expressions of interest must be delivered in written form by email to the address [peu-procurement@sita.sr](mailto:peu-procurement@sita.sr) by **January 03, 2024, at 14.00 hours SRT.**

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Business and International Cooperation

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