GOVERNMENT OF SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

HALLS OF JUSTICE PROJECT

DESIGN COMPETITION

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Government of Saint Vincent and The Grenadines (GOSVG) has received financing from the Republic of China (on Taiwan) in an amount equivalent to US\$20,000,000.00 towards the cost of various infrastructure projects and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under a contract for which this invitation is issued. Payments by GOSVG will be made subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement.

The Ministry of Urban Development, Energy, Airports, Seaports, Grenadines Affairs and Local Government (MUDLG), the Executing Agency, now wishes to invite interested consultants to participate in a design competition for the new Halls of Justice Building in Kingstown Saint Vincent

The objective of the competition is to select the best design and architect to successfully implement and supervise the construction of this project. The building will comprise of:

- Court of Appeal
- Three Civil Courts
- Civil Registry
- High Court Registry
- Administrative and support services
- General support facilities
- External Works

The duration of the design competition assignment is expected to be for a period of five months during which the competitors will design and submit a concept design.

The Ministry of Urban Development, Energy, Airports, Seaports, Grenadines Affairs and Local Government, now invites interested eligible consulting firms, to submit <u>Expressions of Interest</u> for the provision of these consultancy services.

Consultants shall be eligible to participate if:

- (a) in the case of a body corporate, it is legally incorporated or otherwise organized in an eligible country, has its principal place of business in an eligible country and is more than 50 per cent beneficially owned by citizen(s) and/or *bona fide* resident(s) of eligible country(ies) or by a body(ies) corporate meeting these requirements; in the case of unincorporated firms, the persons are citizens or *bona fide* residents of an eligible country; and
- (b) in all cases, the consultant has no arrangement and undertakes not to make any arrangements, whereby any substantial part of the net profits or other tangible benefits of the contract will accrue or be paid to a person not a citizen or *bona fide* resident of an eligible country.

Eligible countries are member countries of Caricom.

In the assessment of submissions, consideration will be given to technical competence (including proposed sub consultants), local (SVG) and regional experience on similar assignments, major institutional or other landmark buildings, financial capability and existing commitments. Key Experts will not be evaluated at this shortlisting stage. Submissions in excess of thirty (30) pages will not be accepted.

A cash prize of USD30,000 will be awarded to the first-place contestant, with lesser amounts awarded to all other <u>shortlisted</u> consultants.

All information must be submitted in English. Further information may be obtained from the second address below between 0900 hours and 1600 hours Monday to Friday.

Seven (7) hard copies of the Expressions of Interest and one electronic copy, must be received at the first address below no later than 2:00 pm on Tuesday April 25, 2023). The sealed envelope containing each submission should include the name and address of the applicant and shall be clearly marked "Expression of Interest – Design Competition for Halls of Justice, Saint Vincent and The Grenadines"

Following the assessment of submissions, a short-list of not less than three and not more than six applicants will be provided with full terms of reference and invited to submit a concept design and financial proposals to undertake the detailed design assignment, should they be selected to do so. GOSVG reserves the right to accept or reject late applications or to cancel the present invitation partially or in its entirety. It will not be bound to assign any reason for not short-listing any applicant and will not defray any

costs incurred by any applicant in the preparation and submission of Expressions of Interest.

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