

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

SVG Coastal and Marine Ecosystems Management Strengthening Project
Biodiversity

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Technical Study to analyze gaps, develop protocols and establish national environmental data and information platform (NEDIP)

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Saint Vincent and the Grenadines has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **SVG Coastal and Marine Ecosystems Management Strengthening Project**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include improving the quality and availability of coastal and marine data to inform policy and decision-making processes in St. Vincent and the Grenadines. This will be primarily accomplished through the development of the NEDIP, which will be a publicly available resource that consolidates existing data from relevant Government entities and eventually could include data from NGOs, the private sector, and communities. The NEDIP will initially focus on existing coastal and marine-related data, though the GoSVG has stated its ambition to evolve the NEDIP to act as a hub for all environmental information also including analytical, reporting, management, and facilitation roles to support the Government in its own programs and initiatives as well as its engagements regionally and internationally. This component will specifically support the analysis of existing data to be hosted in the NEDIP and the establishment of the system and protocols for its management and functions. The expected duration for the consultancy is 9.5 months.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: https://procurement.gov.vc/e procure/images/pdf/CurrentBids/SVGCME_2.pdf or can be obtained at the address given below.

The **Economic Planning Division, within the Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Information Technology**, now invites eligible consulting firms/NGOs to indicate their interest in providing the Services. The shortlisting criteria are

1. The Firm/NGO must demonstrate relevant experience in the planning and management of coastal and marine resource experience.
2. Firms must have completed two projects of similar nature.
3. Firms must have experience working with small island developing states, especially the Caribbean.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” July 2016 [*revised November 2017, August 2018, November 2020 and September 2023*] (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Least Cost Selection (LCS)** method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours **0900 to 1300 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 **October 18, 2024**.

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