

**Saint Vincent and the Grenadines**  
**COASTAL AND MARINE ECOSYSTEMS MANAGEMENT STRENGTHENING**  
**PROJECT**  
**Technical study to conduct site-specific technical assessments and partnership models for**  
**coastal and marine management**  
SVHCMEMS-C-LCS-1

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**  
**(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)**

The Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Information Technology, has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **Coastal and Marine Ecosystems Management Strengthening Project**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include is to support the assessment, mapping and design of management plans for improved conservation, sustainable natural resource use and institutional strengthening for management of the four targeted environmentally sensitive coastal and marine areas in SVG. The expected duration for the consultancy is six (6) months.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment <https://procurement.gov.vc/eprocure/index.php/current-bids>

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:

- (a) Preferably at least five (5) years’ experience in planning, management and implementation of environmental and/or sustainable natural resources programs
- (b) Experience/expertise in projects involving coastal and/or marine ecosystems, Experience in conducting community and stakeholder consultations
- (c) Proven track record in undertaking similar projects in SVG, including local expertise with extensive knowledge on national conservation efforts, policies and strategies and the ability to position project activities in the local context effectively, and knowledge of social and livelihood systems and value chain development in SVG
- (d) In addition, the firm should have some experience on matching grant, and international development projects or projects supported by multi-lateral or bilateral development partners.

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

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" September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

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 1500 hours**.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **November 16, 2023**.

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