REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

St. Vincent and the Grenadines (SVG) UNLEASHING THE BLUE ECONOMY IN THE CARIBBEAN (UBEC) PROJECT

Consultancy Title: Fisheries Advisor

SVGUBEC-C-IC-4

The **Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines** has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **Unleashing the Blue Economy in The Caribbean (UBEC) Project**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include services of a fisheries advisor to lead the work of national and regional coordination of UBEC fisheries and aquaculture activities.].

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: <u>https://procurement.gov.vc/eprocure/index.php/current-bids</u>

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:

- University degree and a post-graduate qualification in marine resources management or equivalent qualification.
- Minimum of 10 years of international experience (expert level) in Managing and Coordinating fisheries projects.
- Working knowledge (minimum 3 years related experience) and involvement in Caribbean national and regional fisheries policy and planning.
- Working knowledge (minimum of 5 years related experience) of the legal and regulatory frameworks related to prevention, deterring and eliminating of IUU fishing.
- Working knowledge (minimum of 3 years related experience) of the work of the Caribbean Regional Fisheries Mechanism (CRFM), The Western and Central Atlantic Fisheries Commission (WECAFC), The International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) and FAO.
- Working knowledge of International Instruments to prevent, deter, eliminate IUU
 Fishing including inter alia, the FAO Port State Measures Agreement, the FAO
 Compliance Agreement, EU regulations (EC) No. 1005/2008 establishing a
 community system to prevent, deter and eliminate IUU fishing (EU IUU
 Regulation) and associated implementing regulations / tools, (EC) No. 178/2002,
 (EC) No. 882/2004 and (EC) No. 884/2004, referred to as the "hygiene package".
- Working knowledge of international reporting obligations for RFMOs
- Working knowledge of FAO small-scale fisheries and safety at sea

- Knowledge of aquaculture development in the Caribbean would be an asset.
- Experience from the Caribbean an advantage.
- Experience in planning and management of projects involving, Fisheries MCS, Seafood safety and safety at sea an advantage

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, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Individual Consultant selection** 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 fax, or by e-mail) by **February 16, 2024**.

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