

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Strengthening Health System Resilience Project (SHSRP)
CREDIT NO. IDA-72010-VC

Request For Expressions of Interest
Consulting Services – Firms Selection

Assignment Title: HEALTH SECTOR CONSULTANT

Reference No.: SVGSHSRP-C-CQS-1

The Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Strengthening Health System Resilience Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Consultant will assist the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) with the implementation of the Strengthening Health System Resilience Project (SHSRP). The Consultant will support the GOSVG with governance and management reforms and achievement of the project development objective by assisting the MOFEPIT¹, MOHWE², PCT³ and other Project stakeholders as may be necessary with the implementation of Component 2 in the most efficient, cost-effective, and well-coordinated manner. The Consultant will provide technical advice on strategic choices and approaches to improve, among other areas, the health sector policy and regulatory framework, the hospital governance and management, health financing, service delivery organization, health management information system and options for capacity building and strengthening. In this context, the Consultant is required to provide support with:

- (a) management of Project activities under Component 2, including monitoring and evaluation,
- (b) technical matters,
- (c) procurement matters,
- (d) contract management,
- (e) capacity building

The duration of the assignment is approximately fifty-four (54) months and the expected start date is June/July, 2023.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following link:

https://www.gov.vc/images/RequestForExpressionsofInterest/SVG_SHSRP_HSC_ToR_FINAL_Apr_20_2023.pdf.

The Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Information Technology 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 Consultant shall be a qualified firm or consortia of firms with demonstrated experience working with digital transformation projects across Governments or multifunctional business organizations.

¹ Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Information Technology

² Ministry of Health, Wellness and the Environment

³ Project Coordination Team

Successful implementation in a developing country setting would be an asset. The short-listing criteria are as follows:

- (a) Experience providing advisory services in the following areas:
 - (i) Health system development / sector policy development and implementation with demonstrated understanding / practice of sustainable health care reform, health system resilience;
 - (ii) experience in development of health sector legislation and regulation
 - (iii) Health care management and organization, with experience in hospital-level health care management
 - (iv) Health financing, including experience in hospital financing
 - (v) Digital in health / HIS
 - (vi) Policy evaluation / Monitoring & Evaluation
- (b) At least ten (10) years of experience providing high level advisory services to governments on project management, preferably under projects comprising components related to health sector reform
- (c) Experience providing project management / technical advisory services for projects financed by the World Bank or other multi-lateral development agencies
- (d) Experience providing advice on health sector reform in small-island countries is highly desirable

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 and August 2018 ("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 Consultant's Qualification Based Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during the hours 9:00 to 15:30 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 **Friday, May 12, 2023**.

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