

## **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

## (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

## SINT MAARTEN

## DIGITAL GOVERNMENT TRANSFORMATION PROJECT (DGTP)

Assignment Title: Updating of legal and regulatory frameworks: Interoperability Framework and Enterprise Architecture in Sint Maarten

Credit/Loan n.: TFB4218

Reference No.: SX-NRPB-393641-CS-QCBS

The Government of Sint Maarten has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Digital Government Transformation Project ("DGTP") and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include updating of legal and regulatory frameworks for Interoperability Framework and Enterprise Architecture as part of the process to implement Sint Maarten's National Digital Transformation Strategy. The Consultant shall coordinate and work with the digital transformation initiatives executed under the DGTP.

The National Recovery Program Bureau (NRPB) 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:

1. Relevant experience advising on and drafting legislation relating to the development of the digital transformation in the public sector, including international best practice with respect to data interoperability, data management and sharing, cyber security, access to information, digital official registers and "once only" principle, digital public services and related issues - 50 points;

2. Experience in implementing similar assignments for the Dutch government or municipalities or in developing countries, small island states (including Dutch Antillean governments or municipalities) - 50 points.

Key Experts will <u>not</u> 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" November 2020 edition ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture, association or consortium that may or may not be a new legal entity between members who would be jointly and severally liable for the performance of the assignment. The Consultants should indicate whether the Expression of Interest is being submitted as a Joint Venture or otherwise. Please note that the experience and references of sub-consultants <u>shall not</u> be taken into account in the evaluation of Expressions of Interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost-Based Selection method (QCBS) set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations referenced above.

Consultants must provide all information indicating that they are qualified to perform the Services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff etc.).

Interested Consultants may download the Terms of Reference by registering at the following address:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=NiEIEbnYxUKO4LrO0sKjyh7Llb-pypCvDnjKUoIbTtUQUxNOEdCOVRDM01INkQzMUw4SFg0M1ZGRS4u

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM Monday to Friday (except on public holidays in Sint Maarten).

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, by mail or by e-mail) by 5:00 PM (AST) on Wednesday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Procurement Office, National Recovery Program Bureau

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