



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)

Consultancy - Midterm Audit of the Resettlement Action Plan

The Emergency Debris Management Project

Assignment Title: Services Auditor Consultant

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The Government of Sint Maarten has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Emergency Debris Management Project (EDMP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The overall objective of the assignment is to engage a Services Auditor Consultant to conduct a Midterm Audit of the Resettlement Action Plan (RAP)¹ being implemented as part of the Sint Maarten Emergency Debris Management Project (EDMP)² in compliance with the World Bank (WB) Operational Policy (OP) 4.12 on Involuntary Resettlement³.

The objectives of the Midterm Audit are:

- To review and assess the implementation of the temporary resettlement process so far.
- To evaluate the compliance of the temporary resettlement with WB OP 4.12 and the RAP and LRP commitments.
- To evaluate the RAP indicators or aspects detailed in Section IV of the RAP.
- To identify corrective measures to ensure compliance with WB OP 4.12 and the RAP and LRP commitments.

The Consultant will deliver the following:

1	Inception Report. Initial report outlining the audit approach, methodology and workplan	Within 5 business days from the signing of the contract
2	Draft Midterm Audit Report. Comprehensive report including the content detailed in Section IV	Within 20 business days from signing of the contract.
3	Final Midterm Audit Report. Final version of the report after incorporating feedback from NRPB (which will integrate WB feedback).	Within 10 business days from receiving feedback.
4	ToRs for the Completion Audit. Proposal of ToRs for the RAP/LRP Completion Audit including objectives, scope, activities, deliverables, timeline, and qualification requirements	5 business days after the submission of the Final Midterm Audit Report

¹ <https://nrpbxm.org/resettlement/>

² <https://nrpbxm.org/edmp/>

³ <https://thedocs.worldbank.org/en/doc/b192cc75476bc0d5a54a1e4ceba50776-0290012023/original/OP-4-12-Involuntary-Resettlement.pdf>



The Consultant shall ensure that all activities are implemented in accordance with the quality standards, time and budget elaborated in the contract document.

The National Recovery Program Bureau (NRPB) now invites eligible consultants (“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 selection criteria are:

- Education: a bachelor’s degree in economy, social science, or related field.
- Experience: more than 8 years of experience in resettlement process and external audits.
- Knowledge: strong knowledge of auditing principles and WB OP 4.12.
- Proficiency in English.
- Proficiency in Spanish will be necessary to conduct some interviews.
- Analytical and communication skills.
- Experience with donor funded projects.
- Prior work experience in the Caribbean would be considered an asset.

Applicants are free to choose a format for their Expression of Interest. At this stage, Consultants are expected to provide:

1. CVs including relevant information about qualifications and expertise, strategic competencies or achievements;
2. Relevant references from previous similar projects/Clients.

NRPB reserves the right to invite any or all interested candidates to an interview.

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.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Open Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants as set forth in the Procurement Regulations.

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

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=NiEIEbnYxUKO4LrO0sKj-yh7LLb-pypCvDnjKUoIbTtUNIFMNFpQR01GOVYxVk9PSk9JN1Y1RENFNy4u>

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM Monday to Friday.

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 5:00 PM (AST) Monday, May 27th, 2024.**

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