

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

**Country:** MYANMAR

**Project:** Ayeyarwady Integrated River Basin Management (AIRBM) Project

**Credit No:** IDA 5559

**Project ID:** P146482

**Assignment Title:** Architectural and engineering design and construction supervision of the National Water Resources Committee Headquarters with the Hydro-Informatics Center (NWRC HQ/HIC)

**Reference No:** C1.19

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Ayeyarwady Integrated River Basin Management (AIRBM) Project. Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River Systems (DWIR), Ministry of Transport and Communications (MoTC), is the implementing agency of the AIRBM through the Project Management Unit (PMU) established under the supervision of the Secretary of the National Water Resources Committee (NWRC) and DG of DWIR.

The AIRBM project includes three components: Component 1 - Water Resources Management Institutions, Decision Support System, and Capacity Building; Component 2 - Hydro-Meteorological Observation and Information Systems Modernization; and Component 3 - Navigation Enhancement of the Ayeyarwady River.

Component 1 undertakes the development of a modern decision support system (DSS) for the Hydro-Informatics Center (HIC) which was established in 2014. HIC operates under the auspices of the NWRC, and is managed by Component 1. The HIC is temporarily located within the AIRBM PMU on the grounds of the DWIR in Yangon under the overall management of the Secretary of the NWRC and DG of DWIR. The project will finance the construction of a new building to house the HIC and the headquarters (HQ) of the NWRC. The new NWRC HQ/HIC building will be in Mayangone Township, Yangon and the plot of land has been obtained. The building is expected to be four to six storey high with a capacity to house around 200 people.

The objectives of this consultancy are to develop an architecturally appealing, state-of-the art, functionally efficient, high profile building for the NWRC HQ/HIC by:

- 1) Preparing the architectural design;
- 2) Undertaking comprehensive engineering design for the building; and
- 3) Conducting construction supervision.

The PMU now invites eligible architectural/engineering 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 criteria that will be considered in the selection process include:

- i Experience in the architectural design of modern office buildings that include extensive information technology, (IT) equipment and facilities;
- ii Experience in the engineering detailed design of office buildings as described in i) above; and
- iii Experience with construction supervision for modern office buildings.

In their expression of interest, the Consultant should provide information specific contracts, with scope, photos, dates, and amounts, to demonstrate compliance with criteria i) and ii).

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers* dated July 2014 ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications and ensure the consortium is well placed to achieve the assignment objectives. The Consultants are requested to clearly identify in their Expression of Interest, the nature of the association and the role of each member (i.e. JV member or sub-consultant).

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant Qualification Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail or e-mail) by 31 July 2017.

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