

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

GRENADA

Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Skills & Innovation Project

Credit No.: IDA-74840

Assignment Title: Consultancy to Conduct Technical Capacity Assessment of GIDC, Action Plan and Implementation of Recommendations

Reference No.: GD-GIDC- 468317-CS-CQS

The Government of Grenada has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS) Skills & Innovation Project (SKIP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include a technical capacity assessment of the Grenada Investment Development Corporation (GIDC) – Business Development Centre (BDC)¹ to identify gaps in fiduciary and innovation-specific technical capacity necessary for the effective management of the competitive matching grants under the OECS SKIP. Based on the findings, the consultancy will develop an action plan outlining measures to build the required capacity, including recommendations for funding additional required staff and necessary training. In addition, the Consultancy should provide other necessary implementation support for capacity-building activities for the GIDC related to grants management under OECS SKIP, including setting up systems, processes and procedures and potentially training for existing or recruited staff. The consulting firm will be engaged for a period of ten (10) weeks and is expected to commence duties in August 2026.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following websites: <https://www.procurement.gd/contract-notices>, or <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/gnd/asp/Home>, or via kmitchell@gidc.gd.

The Grenada Investment Development Corporation 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:

- Minimum of seven (7) years of experience in conducting technical capacity assessments and developing action plans for Small Business Development Centre’s or MSME organizations, government institutions, or economic development organizations.
- At least five (5) years of experience working with private sector or MSME development and innovation.

¹ For the purposes of this assessment, the term "GIDC" refers collectively to the GIDC Business Development Centre (BDC) and other relevant departments directly involved in the management of the OECS SKIP matching grants.

- At least eight (8) years of experience in managing competitive matching grants aimed at fostering innovation, entrepreneurship, and skills development, including grant structuring, application processes, financial tracking, monitoring and impact evaluation.
- Proven track record in conducting institutional or organizational assessments in the Caribbean region or Small Island Developing States (SIDS).

Key Experts will not 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"² fifth edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment:

- Consultants shall not be hired for any assignment that would be in conflict with their prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place them in a position of being unable to carry out the assignment in the best interests of the Borrower.

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 through In-Tend or via kmitchell@gidc.gd or nafesah.abdullateef@procurement.gov.gd to seek clarification.

Expressions of interest must be submitted electronically through the procurement system at <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/gnd/aspx/Home>. Candidates must register on this portal and submit all interest through this medium.

Upon receipt of the documents, a confirmation e-mail acknowledging the names of the files received will be sent.

Date for Submission: June 10th 2026, before 3:59pm Eastern Caribbean Time.

² <https://thedocs.worldbank.org/en/doc/6c0602876d68949e80820507d90a14ed-0290012023/original/Procurement-Regulations-September-2023.pdf#page=20>