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The Ministry of Commerce (MoC) of the Government of Bangladesh (GoB) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Export Competitiveness for Jobs (EC4J) Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services for Management of the Export Readiness Fund (Fund).

The consulting services (“the Services”) include (a) formulating policy and strategy of the fund; (b) implement fund promotion activities; (c) manage fund operations; and (d) fund monitoring, evaluation and completion. The Fund Manager will be in charge of day-to-day operations, outreach, appraisal, selection, disbursement, verification and completion of projects. Firm with extensive experiences in managing similar funds in multiple countries will be short listed. The Fund Manager will be recruited for up to 42 months starting tentatively from December 2018.

The brief Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment and soft copy of prescribed format (Format-A) can be downloaded from the URL Addresses: www.ec4j.gov.bd; www.minmoc.gov.bd or can be obtained upon request from the address below either by e-mail or in person during the office hours (Local Time: 09:00 to 17:00hours).

The Ministry of Commerce, Government of Bangladesh 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:

- Previous experience in managing international grant funds with international donor organizations or on behalf of government.
- Technical & financial capacity and necessary human resources such as Grant Officers, Finance Managers and Operations Manager.
- Expertise in Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) including the creation of a delivery and performance monitoring system for grants projects.
- Broad grant management experience in a range of countries, especially in developing countries and South Asia.
- Previous experience working with Government counterparts.
- Experience working in English and local language.

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” July 2016 (“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 (JV), 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 Quality Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

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 04 June, 2018 within 17:00 hours (Local Time).

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