



## **Request for Expression of Interest Consulting Firm**

**Country:** *Belize*

**Project:** *Skill for the Future Program*

**Loan No.:** *BL-L1044*

**Institution:** *Inter-American Development Bank*

**Abstract:** *Fostering Education Achievement of Men*

**Reference No.:** *FBS/3.2.1/2025/05*

**Deadline:** *January 24, 2025, at 2:00 pm, local Belize time*

The Government of Belize acting through the Ministry of Education, Culture, Science and Technology (MOECST) has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), toward the cost of the Skill for the Future Program and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) for the Consultancy Service is for the Fostering of Education Achievement of Men including the following objectives with an expected duration of 24 months.

### **The objectives of the consultancy are:**

*The main objective of this consultancy is to support the MoECST in the design and implementation of a program using evidence-based strategies to bring awareness to the long-term returns of schooling and promote men’s participation and completion of secondary education through outreach and activities through a positive masculinity program. The overall aim is to increase male retention in secondary school.*

*Specific objectives include:*

- I. Design and implement an outreach campaign. The outreach activities will target recent male dropouts.*
- II. Design and implement a program of extracurricular activities and group mentoring for male students. The program should include extracurricular activities for no less than 1,000 male students.*
- III. Provide training and resources for teachers, principals, and program facilitators to implement the extracurricular activities and mentoring groups.*

The Project Execution Unit under the MOECST 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.

*From the expressions of interest received, the Executing Agency will prepare a shortlist comprising not fewer than five (5) and not more than eight (8) eligible firms.*



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A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the *Fixed Budget Selection (FBS)* method in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank GN-2350-15 and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture to enhance their qualifications. For the purpose of establishing the short list, the nationality of a firm is that of the country in which it is legally incorporated or constituted, and in the case of a Joint Venture, the nationality of the firm appointed to represent it.

Further information regarding the scope of the consultancy and the requirements to submit Expression of Interest (*sample template available*) can be obtained at the address below during office hours *i.e. 9:00 to 17:00 hours local Belize time*.

The Expression of Interest (EOI) should include:

- Letter of interest from the firm
- Proof of their legal status as a firm/organization
- Portfolio with information and reference of relevant projects/assignments (including date, place, size, and cost of the project)
- Company Profile related to the assignment (Company structure, demonstrated experience, skills and expertise)

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below or by e-mail by **January 24, 2025, at 2:00 pm, local Belize time**.

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