



## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) CONSULTING FIRMS/RESEARCH OR ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS

## GOVERNMENT OF GRENADA – MINISTRY OF FINANCE

CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE & RURAL ENTERPRISE PROGRAMME (SAEP)

## CONSULTANCY SERVICES ON CLIMATE SMART AGRICULTURE (CSA) SPECIALISED TRAINING

## **REFERENCE#: SAEP.CS.10**

The Government of Grenada (GOGR) has received financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) towards the cost of Climate Smart Agriculture & Rural Enterprise Programme (SAEP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the recruitment of consulting services.

The use of any IFAD financing shall be subject to IFAD's approval, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the financing agreement, as well as IFAD's rules, policies and procedures. IFAD and its officials, agents and employees shall be held harmless from and against all suits, proceedings, claims, demands, losses and liability of any kind or nature brought by any party in connection with Climate Smart Agriculture & Rural Enterprise Programme (SAEP).

The consulting services ("the services") include conducting a climate vulnerability analysis of Grenada's agricultural and fishing sectors to determine the potential risks; identifying the potential immediate and long term impacts of those risks on the sectors; identifying and recommending strategies to mitigate those risks and impacts; developing a comprehensive training plan to build capacity relevant to CSA practices and CC; provide training to a cadre of agricultural and fisheries "extensionist" of SAEP, MOAL, MCPMA and the Fisheries Division, develop criteria and mechanisms/frameworks to identify, implement, and provide support to target beneficiaries in the adoption of the relevant and appropriate strategies, including the use of innovation and technology.

The Government of Grenada (GOGR ("the client") now invites eligible consulting firms, research and academic institutions ("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. Interested firms should fill the template for expressions of interest and submit and can be found on the following websites: <a href="https://www.saep.gov.gd">www.procurement.gd</a>; or <a href="https://www.gov.gd">www.gov.gd</a> and send it to the address indicated below.

The attention of interested consultants is drawn to IFAD's Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism Policy<sup>1</sup> and the Revised IFAD Policy on Preventing Fraud and Corruption its Activities and Operations<sup>2</sup>. The latter sets forth IFAD's provisions on prohibited practices. IFAD further strives to ensure a safe working environment free of harassment, including sexual harassment, and free of sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) in its activities and operations as detailed in its IFAD Policy to Preventing and Responding to Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.<sup>3</sup>

The consultant shall not have any actual, potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest. A consultant with an actual, potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest shall be disqualified unless otherwise explicitly approved by the Fund. A consultant including their respective personnel and affiliates are considered to have a conflict of interest if they a) have a relationship that provides them with undue or undisclosed information about or influence over the selection process and the execution of the contract, b) participate in more than one EOI under this procurement action, c) have a business or family relationship with a member of the Purchaser's board of directors or its personnel, the Fund or its personnel, or any other individual that was, has been or might reasonably be directly or indirectly involved in any part of (i) the preparation of this REOI, (ii) the shortlisting or selection process for this procurement, or (iii) execution of the contract. The consultant has an ongoing obligation to disclose any situation of actual, potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest during preparation of the EOI, the selection process or the contract execution. Failure to properly disclose any of said situations may lead to appropriate actions, including the disqualification of the consultant, the termination of the contract and any other as appropriate under the IFAD Policy on Preventing Fraud and Corruption in its Projects and Operations.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant Qualification Selection (CQS) method set out in IFAD' project procurement handbook that can be accessed via the IFAD website at <a href="https://www.ifad.org/project-procurement">www.ifad.org/project-procurement</a>.

The shortlisting criteria are: (1) The Consultant has been in existence for at least 10 years. (2) The Consultant has experience in conducting research in climate change impacts and the development of adaptation strategies in the agricultural sector. (3) Level of experience in conducting technical training in agriculture including emphasis on CSA and innovative methodologies. (4) Level of experience in conducting similar assignments. (5) Evidence of familiarity with climate change and agriculture. (6) Level of experience in working with governmental organizations.

Consultants may associate with other firms or academic institutions in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications.

Any request for clarification on this REOI should be sent via e-mail to the address below no later than **July 9, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.** The client will provide responses to all clarification requests by **July 16, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The policy is accessible at https://www.ifad.org/en/document-detail/asset/41942012.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The policy is accessible at <a href="www.ifad.org/anticorruption\_policy">www.ifad.org/anticorruption\_policy</a>.

The policy is accessible at https://www.ifad.org/en/document-detail/asset/40738506.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in written form using the forms provided for this purpose. EOIs shall be submitted to the address below no later than **July 30, 2021 at 3:00 p.m**.

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