

**LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC**

Ministry of Public Works and Transport

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**LAO ROAD SECTOR PROJECT 2 ("LRSP2")**

Credit No. 5920 - LA

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR CONSULTANT SERVICES  
(PROCUREMENT CONSULTANT)**

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The Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MPWT) of Lao PDR has received financing support from World Bank and the Nordic Development Fund (NDF) to implement Lao Road Sector Project 2 (LRSP2) (March 2017-February 2022), which will support MPWT strengthen its capacity at both central and local levels to manage local road improvement and maintenance. The European Investment Bank (EIB) has also expressed interest to provide financing support to the implementation of the road local road development program designed under LRSP2. The WB has approved a credit of approximately USD 25 million, and NDF a grant for a Technical Assistance (TA) program amounting to EUR 5 million and a loan not exceeding EUR 6 million to finance the LRSP2. In addition, the Road Maintenance Funds (RMF) will contribute approximately USD 7 million, and the 6 participating provinces also will contribute around USD 3 million to the Project.

MPWT now intends to recruit an individual consultant (the Procurement Consultant or Consultant) at central level for assisting MPWT/Department of Finance (DoF) to support the procurement of the MPWT by ensuring that all procurement is conducted in accordance with the procurement procedures and the procurement plan for the project components/sub-components agreed between the World Bank and the Government of Lao PDR in a manner of economy, efficiency and transparency. The Procurement Consultant will be responsible for leading, supporting and assisting a procurement team comprising of procurement officer in potential procurement staff and/or the focal point in relevant Departments within MPWT to successfully implement all procurement activities of the project under the original agreement and possible additional financing. Specifically the Procurement Consultant will be required to (a) assist the project to carry out the procurement of goods, civil works, and consultant services under the project; (b) build up capacity of the procurement management of DoF and concerned Departments within MPWT and DPWTs including procurement training, providing oversight, monitoring and supervision of the project procurement; and (c) coordinate with concerned departments and to ensure that all procurements' documentation are scanned and filed in the proposed Ministry's electronic filing system.

The overall duration of this consultancy is approximately 12 man-month on a part time basis spread over the period from May 2017 to May 2019 with possible further extension, and the service expected to be on board by May 2017.

The minimum qualifications requirements are:

- At least Master Degree in one of following areas of academic qualification in engineering, science, law, economics, business administration or any relevant discipline;
- Minimum 5 years working experience in public procurement, in projects financed by the international financial organizations; experience of World Bank or ADB procurement procedures with strong results-focus and work performance is highly desirable;
- Knowledge of international organizations/agencies' and Lao national public procurement regulations and procedures;
- Training on procurement in line with the World Bank rules would be an advantage; and
- Abilities to communicate, negotiate, analyze, elaborate and present reports and statements in English.

The MPWT now invites eligible individual consultant to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested Consultant must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services in CV's.

The successful Consultant will be selected in accordance with the provisions of Section II, under the World Bank's [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers, dated](#) January 2011 and revised in July 2014.

Interested consultant may obtain further information and ToR at the address below during office hours 08.00 - 16.00 hours. Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by 16.00 hours of **29 March 2017**.

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