

REQUEST FOR EXPRESS OF INTEREST (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS)

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MPWT)
Lao Road Sector Project 2
IDA Credit No. 5920-LA

Road Improvement and Maintenance Consultant (2 persons); Reference C2-25 and C2-26

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-August 2022), which will support MPWT strengthen its capacity at both central and local levels to manage local road improvement and maintenance. The MPWT will be the Executing Agency (EA) for LRSP2. A project management team formed under the Department of Planning and Cooperation (DPC), MPWT will provide overall project coordination and monitoring. The project has included support to strengthen capacity of department concerned in MPWT and provinces. Department of Finance will be responsible for providing procurement support to the concerned departments. Department of Roads (DoR) with support from design and supervision consultant is responsible for managing the road works and road asset management systems development.

DoR now intends to recruit two individual consultants at central level who will assist DoR in implementation of road improvement and maintenance and climate resilience road asset management as well as preparation of additional financing. Department of Roads is responsible for the implementation of several project activities including climate resilient road improvement, routine maintenance under DLI, managing design and supervision consultant and climate resilient road asset management consultant. The objectives of this assignment are to assist DoR in implementation of these activities. The Consultant may also be asked to help DoR coordinate activities of different actors in the sector, at both central and local level. The consultant shall work directly under the DoR. The assignment will require 24 man-months over period from June 2019 to February 2022, part-time, with possible further extension. Full ToR can be accessed at the MPWT's website: www.mpwt.gov.la.

In order to qualify for this position, the candidates shall meet the following experience and competence requirements:

- At least Bachelor's Degree in one of following areas of academic qualification: engineering/ science/ law/ economics/ public policy/ business administration or any relevant discipline;
- Minimum 10 years of relevant working experience in transport sector. Work experience in developing countries and in the region is an advantage;
- Experience in procurement in the project financed by development partners;
- Excellent in speaking and writing English;
- Excellent in speaking and writing Lao;
- Computer proficiency (Windows, MS Office, Databases).

The Consultants will be selected in accordance with the World Bank's Guidelines "Selection and Employment of Consultants", Individual Consultants (IC) selection method. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers, January 2011 and revised June 2014 ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. **In order to apply for the position, the candidates shall request the Application Form from the PIU, which can be sent via e-mail or downloaded from MPWT's Website: www.mpwt.gov.la.**

The LRSP2 now invites interested applicants to provide information indicating that you are qualified to perform the services (application form, curriculum vitae with expressions of interest and references). Interested Applicants may obtain further information at the address below. Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below or no later than **June 24, 2019, 16:00 o'clock** (submissions via email are also acceptable). Only Short-listed candidates will be contacted.

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