

Request for Expression of Interest

Client: Department of Trade, Ministry of Commerce (MoC)

Country: Republic of the Union of Myanmar

Project: Myanmar Services Trade Enhancement Project (M-STEP)

Position Title: International Expert for Statistic Development on Trade in Services

Contract Type: Individual Consultant (45 Working days during 8 Months Period)

Reference No. (as per procurement plan): P19-19

The Department of Trade (DoT), Ministry of Commerce (MoC), Republic of the Union of Myanmar had received a three year grant under the Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF) partnership for LDCs, hosted at the WTO. The DoT is implementing a project namely, Myanmar Services Trade Enhancement Project (M-STEP) on services enhancement in Myanmar under EIF Tier-2 Project, with a focus on services landscape enhancement. MoC, an implementing agency for this project, intends to apply a portion of the process of this grant for Consulting Services.

EIF Tier-2 Project of Department of Trade of the Ministry of Commerce in Myanmar wishes to invite eligible Individual Consultant to express his/ her interest in providing his/ her services as **International Expert for Statistic Development on Trade in Services.**

The International Expert shall be responsible for supporting to access current needs, bottlenecks and prepare a statistics software on Trade in Services – TIS by using best international practices with supportive consultancy services to develop procedures for the generation of TIS statistics.

The successful candidate must have the following qualifications and experience:

- Minimum Master Degree in Economics majored in Statistics, Development Studies, International Trade
- Minimum 10 years of field experience in respective areas
- Previous work experience for Asia or Pacific LDC Governments
- Good knowledge of FTAs especially in Trade in Services agreements, through prior exposure (studies, report)
- Knowledge of services contributions to GDP, employments, exports (sectors, sub-sectors and destinations) in LDCs
- Good understanding of key services for export diversification: ITeS, telecommunications, Logistics, E-commerce, Distribution
- Good knowledge about information technology especially statistical software.
- Proven experience in working with Governments and networking with national and

international stakeholders, preferably in Asian LDCs in the area of Service Trade

- Data analysis and interpretation skills;
- Good report writing skills;
- Proven capacity to co – operate with the teams effectively and deliver under tight timelines;
- Proven experience in leading multi-stakeholder consultations with government and other stakeholders in developing countries;
- Able to work through virtual system during COVID 19 period and also able to work in person at the post COVID 19.

Candidate will be selected in accordance with the consultant selection method set out in the Tender Rules of selling assets, leasing, purchasing services, purchasing goods and construction works for Government Agencies released by Presidential Office Directive (1/2017) and recommendation from Trust Fund Manager (UNOPS) and EIF ES.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (9:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday). Interested consultants may obtain copies of the detailed Terms of Reference (in English) for the assignment from the address below during office hours. Expression of interest must be delivered with mailing or sending documents in hard copy followed by an electronic copy to the address below by 22nd Sep, 2020 before 4:30 pm.

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