

Subject: Foreign Government EOI for Consultancy Services for City Development Strategy – Colombo Metropolitan Area.

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST
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PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT

**Metro Colombo Urban Development Project
MCUDP/PMU/C/09**

CONSULTING SERVICES FOR DEVELOPING A MEDIUM-LONG TERM CITY DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR THE COLOMBO METROPOLITAN AREA

1. The **Government of Sri Lanka** has applied for financing from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) toward the cost of **Metro Colombo Urban Development Project (MCUDP)**. The Project Management Unit (PMU) of the MCUDP under the Ministry of Defence and Urban Development intends to apply part of the proceeds for Developing a Medium-Long Term City Development Strategy (CDS) for the Colombo Metropolitan Area.

2. The Objective of the assignment is to support the Government of Sri Lanka in developing a Medium-Long Term City Development Strategy for the Colombo Metropolitan Area which:

- Builds upon a highly participatory process and close collaboration with key stakeholders,;
- Integrates urban planning with economic development by building on the existing and emerging economic drivers of Colombo Metropolitan Area;
- Allocates strategically the resources to key catalytic investments in order to attract private investment and avoid sub-optimal allocation of public funds;
- Mobilizes both local and external resources for city development, and
- Develops the institutional capacity and sets up the permanent mechanisms that will ensure its implementation.

3. The selected Consultant will prepare the CDS through the following six stages as follows:

- Stage 1: Formulation of the knowledge framework with the stakeholders
- Stage 2: SWOT Analysis with the stakeholders
- Stage 3: Visioning with the stakeholders
- Stage 4: Formulation of the CDS
- Stage 5: Formulation of Implementation measures
- Stage 6: Preparation of the TOR for the Integrated Master Plan for Colombo Metropolitan Area

4. The Selected Consultant will be a company with proved international experience in CDS formulation having prepared at least 2 (two) City Development Strategies and/or Local Economic Development studies preferably with Cities alliance and WB approach. The consulting company will be required to make available a **CDS Team** with the following experts:

- Team Leader/ Urban Planning-Development Specialist
- Urban Economist/LED Specialist
- Urban Infrastructure and Utilities Specialist (Municipal Engineer)
- Transport and Traffic Management Expert
- Urban Environmental Expert
- Cultural Heritage and Tourism Expert
- Institutional Building and Training Expert

The companies applying for this assignment are required to include the CVs of relevant experts in their EOI.

5. The PMU of the MCUDP now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, audited financial accounts, other resources etc.). Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications.

6. A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers 2011 Edition.

7. Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 0900hrs to 1330 hrs. The Expressions of Interest must be submitted to the following address not later than 1400hrs on 12th June 2012.

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