

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES

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Title of the Request for Proposals: Blueprint For The Investor's One Stop Shop In Suriname

Procurement Process Number: SU-L1056-P00128

Sector: Trade

Summary: Contracting a Consulting Firm for the Preparation Phase for the Virtual One-Stop-Shop (OSS) for Investment Facilitation in Suriname

Submission Deadline: 14 August 2026 at 15:00

Suriname has requested financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) for the Foreign Investment and Export Promotion Program and intends to apply part of the funds to contracts for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include:

The objective of this assignment is to establish the operational, legal, and technical foundations required for a future Virtual One-Stop-Shop (OSS) for Investment Facilitation in Suriname. The assignment covers the first six months of the OSS roadmap and focuses on: (i) establishing effective governance and coordination arrangements; (ii) conducting prioritized legal and regulatory screening to identify barriers to digital service delivery; (iii) redesigning and harmonizing priority investor-facing procedures; (iv) defining data governance and interoperability requirements; (v) supporting limited institutional readiness and staff engagement; and (vi) consolidating all outputs into a coherent OSS Blueprint and procurement-ready implementation package.

The assignment has a duration of six (6) months from the date of contract signing, with an expected start date of November 2026. The assignment is located in Suriname, with in-country presence as required. This assignment does not include platform development, software coding, IT procurement, pilot operations, or go-live deployment.

The MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS, AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION invites eligible Consulting Firms to express their interest in providing the requested Services. The shortlist must include a minimum of five (5) and a maximum of eight (8) eligible firms.

The selection of consultants will be conducted in accordance with the procedures set forth in the [Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants Financed by the Inter-American](#)

[Development Bank](#) (applicable edition according to the loan contract). Participation is open to firms from eligible countries, as specified in these Policies.

Consulting firms may associate with other firms in the form of a Joint Venture or may engage subconsultants to enhance their qualifications. For the purpose of establishing the shortlist, the nationality of a firm shall be determined by the country in which it is legally incorporated. In the case of a Joint Venture, the nationality of the firm appointed as the representative shall apply.

Consultants will be selected using one of the Selection Methods outlined in the Consulting Policies.

Interested consultants may obtain further information by sending an inquiry via email or visiting the address provided at the end of this notice, during 09:00 to 15:00

Expressions of Interest must be submitted in writing to the address indicated below, no later than 14 August 2026 at 15:00. Electronic submission **will** be permitted.

Interested consultants must provide information demonstrating that they possess the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The consulting firm (or consortium) shall demonstrate institutional maturity and multidisciplinary capacity appropriate for a multi-agency government reform assignment that combines legal, procedural, and technical streams, supported by sufficient Dutch-speaking capacity for stakeholder engagement and legal drafting in Suriname.

The firm shall demonstrate:

- A minimum of eight (8) years of relevant experience delivering digital government, single-window, service modernization, or comparable multi-agency public-sector reform initiatives, including assignments involving coordination across multiple government entities.
- At least three (3) comparable completed assignments within the last ten (10) years involving legal/regulatory screening and reform sequencing, business process harmonization, and development of functional or technical requirements for digital government platforms; at least one financed or supervised by a multilateral development bank or comparable development partner.
- Proven capacity to facilitate structured collaboration among public institutions and to manage validation and decision-making processes for cross-government reforms.
- Experience producing procurement-ready deliverables including functional requirements specifications, interoperability blueprints, and implementation sequencing plans.
- Experience working in civil-law administrative environments and familiarity with Caribbean or comparable public-sector regulatory systems, or availability of qualified local legal expertise.

- Sufficient Dutch-speaking capacity within the team to support stakeholder engagement, facilitate inter-agency workshops, and validate outputs in Dutch.

Expected Team Composition

The consulting firm is expected to have access to a multidisciplinary team with expertise in digital government, enterprise and solution architecture, legal and regulatory reform, business process re-engineering, investment facilitation, project management, and business analysis.

The detailed composition of the proposed team and the qualifications and experience of the Key Experts will be specified in the Request for Proposals (RFP) and evaluated as part of the Technical Proposal. Curriculum vitae (CVs) of Key Experts are therefore not required at the Expression of Interest stage.

The Expression of Interest

The Expression of Interest (EOI) does not have a specific format or template and should not exceed twenty-five (25) pages, but should include:

1. a properly signed Letter of Interest (LOI) from the firm to participate in the assignment;
2. profile of the firm (including evidence of the requisite expertise and skills);
3. list of similar assignments executed during the last five (5) years;
4. proof of legal status of the firm.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality- and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Consultant Policies.

Shortlisted firms will subsequently be invited to submit Technical and Financial Proposals in response to a Request for Proposals (RFP). The RFP will provide the detailed requirements regarding the proposed methodology, work plan, team composition, and qualifications and experience of the Key Experts.

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