

KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA

**MINISTRY OF COMMERCE
GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE
DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

Trade Development Support Program (TDSP)
(Grant No.: TF093573, Program ID No: P109648)

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
NATIONAL CONSULTANT FOR STANDARDS, GUIDELINES AND CODE OF GOOD PRACTICES
DEVELOPMENT FOR RICE PRODUCT
(REF.: TDSP/2011/068/7)**

1. The Kingdom of Cambodia has received financing in the amount of US\$ 12.60 million, from the Multi Donor Trust Fund (MDTF) for the Trade Development Support Program (TDSP) administered by the World Bank, and contributed to by the European Commission, DANIDA and UNIDO. The Ministry of Commerce (MOC), through the Department of International Cooperation (DICO), is the implementing agency responsible for managing the overall implementation of the TDSP and coordination with other line ministries and stakeholders. The MOC will apply part of the proceeds of the Trust Fund to payments for goods, works, and consulting services to be procured under the program.
2. The Institute of Standards of Cambodia (ISC) is authorized as the National Standards and Conformity Assessment Body of Cambodia. Within its mandate it provides oversights and the following services as its key businesses: (a) assessment of specific needs in the field of standards formulation processes, (b) training and consultancy services, (c) product certification processes, (d) systems certification processes (e) library and information services on technology, market requirements, technical requirements and other requirements that may pose a technical barrier to trade.
3. DICO, serving as the Project Coordination Unit, on behalf of the ISC, is recruiting an **National Consultant for Standards, Guidelines and Code of Good Practices Development for Rice Product**. The objective of the assignment is to coordinate with the international consultant to develop a total of 9 national standards in the English language for the purpose of strengthening and improving the quality and safety of production, processes, and management systems. The Consultant's duties and responsibilities will include, but are not limited to:
 - Conduct a survey and collect all relevant information from farmers and industries;
 - Research the background information with regard to private standards, association standards and market requirements;
 - Analyze and evaluate the test results for development of national standards by working group;
 - Collect all related information and form the draft standards, guidelines and code of good practices;
 - Cooperate with International consultant in drafting standards, guidelines and code of good practices;
 - Translate the draft standards, guidelines and code of good practices into Khmer;
 - Assist ISC in consultation on technical issues in WGs and TCs meetings;
 - Review, evaluate and incorporate comments and prepare second draft;
 - Prepare Final Draft for review by the National Standards Council;
 - Assist ISC in developing and managing workshop and seminars activities;

- Assist ISC in developing master plan for standards development and providing recommendation for further activities.
 - Any other tasks reasonably related to the above.
4. The services will be contracted for a total period of 6 months.
 5. DICO invites expressions of interest from qualified and experienced individual consultants to undertake the above mentioned services which are further detailed in the Terms of Reference for this assignment. The successful consultant will be selected in accordance with the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers, May 2004, revised October 2006.
 6. In submitting their expressions of interest, consultants are kindly requested to indicate the following reference (Ref: TDSP/2010/068/7). Interested consultants must provide their updated curriculum vitae, indicating personal and technical skills, academic qualifications, experience in similar assignments, and experience in Cambodia and/or other developing countries along with the names of at least three (3) referees with contact information (e-mail address, telephone or fax numbers). Expressions of Interest may be submitted electronically followed by the submission of a hard copy as well. If it is submitted in hard copy, consultants must also provide an electronic copy.
 7. Consultants may obtain copies of the detailed Terms of Reference (in English) for the assignment from the address below during office hours from 8:30 to 12:00 and from 14:00 to 17:00 hours, Monday through Friday.
 8. Expressions of interest must be submitted to the address below on or before **26 March 2012 (before 17:00 hours)**.

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