

**KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA**  
**MINISTRY OF COMMERCE**  
**GENERAL DIRECTORATE FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION**

**Enhanced Integrated Framework – Tier 1**  
(Program ID No: EIF-Tier1-KHM-001)

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR**  
**INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT FOR A**  
**INTERNATIONAL TRADE SWAP REVIEW**  
**(REF: EIF/2012/015)**

1. The Royal Government of Cambodia (RGC) through the Ministry of Commerce (MOC) has received a grant of US\$909,000 as part of the Enhanced Integrated Framework – Tier 1 implementation (2010-2013). The Integrated Framework (IF) for Trade-Related Technical Assistance to least-developed countries (LDCs) is a process that was first established in 1997 to support LDC governments in trade capacity building and integrating trade issues into overall national development strategies. The IF has two objectives: (1) to "mainstream" (integrate) trade into the national development plans such as the Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers (PRSPs) through the implementation of Diagnostic Trade Integration Strategy in 2007 and embark on an ambitious Trade Sector-Wide Approach (Trade SWAp) in Cambodia and (2) to assist in the co-ordinated delivery of trade-related technical assistance in response to needs identified by the LDC. The EIF proposal for Cambodia will allow the country to enhance its national capacity to formulate, implement, manage, and monitor a pro-poor trade policy that further adhere to the principles of the Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness. The Department of International Cooperation (D/ICO) of the Ministry of Commerce acts as the National Implementation Unit (NIU). The EIF Tier 1 project supports the implementation of the Cambodia Trade SWAp.
2. The D/ICO, serving as Secretariat to the EIF Tier 1 Project, is recruiting an **International Trade SWAp Consultant** to carry out a comprehensive review of the effectiveness and impact of the Cambodia's Trade Sector-Wide Approach (aka Trade SWAp) in order to define ways and means to improve its implementation to reach its stated objective of trade sector development. The services to be provided will include, but are not limited to:
  - Get him/herself knowledgeable on the DTIS 2007, the Trade SWAp, the Pillar Road Maps, Pillar Working Groups, TDSP and EIF using corresponding support documents;
  - Study the existing TDSP and EIF programme documents as well as key national development policies and strategies (Rectangular Development Strategies, Trade Facilitation 12-point action plan, NSDP, etc);
  - Take into consideration the different TDSP supervision mission aide memoires, external review and EIF TFM recommendations;
  - Compare best practices from other program-based approaches and SWAp in Cambodia and programmatic approach for trade in other countries with Cambodia's experience;
  - Meet with line ministries, development partners, private sector representatives as needed to assess their understanding, appreciation, critics and gather recommendations and suggestions on improving the implementation;

- On the basis of feedback received, make suggestions to MoC, line ministries and development partners to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the Trade SWAp design and implementation;
  - Work with the EIF team in the Ministry of Commerce to provide inputs for a possible DTIS Update concept note; and
  - Integrated all comments received from the MoC and other stakeholders into the final version of the evaluation report.
3. The Consultant is contracted for a period of maximum of 30 (thirty) working days from the signing date, 20 days of which will be in-country in Cambodia, and 10 working days in home office.
  4. Acting on behalf of the Ministry of Commerce, D/ICO 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 provisions set forth in Section V: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers, May 2004 and revised October 2006.
  5. In submitting their expressions of interest, consultants are kindly requested to indicate the following reference: **EIF/2012/015**. Interested consultants must provide their updated curriculum vitae, indicating personal and technical skills, academic qualifications, experience in similar assignments, experience with donor-funded, government-executed projects, 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 shall be submitted in hard copy followed by an electronic copy.
  6. Interested 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 17:30 hours, Monday through Friday, except public holidays.
  7. Expressions of interest must be submitted to the address below no later than **April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012 (before 17:00 hours)**. Applications received beyond this date will not be considered

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