

KINGDOM OF CAMBODIA
NATION – RELIGION – KING

MINISTRY OF COMMERCE
GENERAL DIRECTORATE FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE
DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION
ENHANCED INTEGRATED FRAMEWORK (EIF)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR
LEAD INTERNATIONAL EVALUATION INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT
(EIF TIER 2“CEDEP II” FINAL EVALUATION)

(Ref: EIF/2017/040)

1. In 2008, the Royal Government of Cambodia has established a Trade Sector-Wide Approach (Trade SWAp) under the leadership of the Ministry of Commerce (MoC) to manage and coordinate better the use and implementation of its Aid for Trade (AFT). Trade SWAp has three main strategic “Pillars”. Each pillar captures key indicative areas for reform and progress to support the development of Cambodia’s trade sector. Specially, Pillar 2 focuses on strengthening the export supply capacity of 19 potential sectors (products and services) identified in the Cambodia Trade Integration Strategy 2007 (CTIS 2007).
2. The Enhanced Integrated Framework (EIF) for Trade-Related Technical Assistance (TRTA) 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 EIF has three main objectives: (1) to “mainstream” (integrate) trade into the national strategic development plan (NSDP) such as the Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers (PRSPs) of least-developed countries, (2) to assist in the coordinated delivery of TRTA in response to needs identified by the LDCs, and (3) to build capacity to trade, including addressing critical supply side constraints. The EIF is built on the principles of country ownership and partnership and promotes the use of trade as an effective tool for development by LDCs.
3. To support the implementation of the Trade SWAp, the RGC through the MOC has received a grant of US\$ 347,610 as part of the Enhanced Integrated Framework – (EIF) Tier 2 implementation for The Cambodia Export Diversification and Expansion Program – Part II” (CEDEP II). Total project funding is USD \$3,283,589 for three-year implementation (36 months in February 2014 – March 2017). Then, the project was officially launched in February 2014, and the CEDEP II – Mid-Term Evaluation was successfully conducted in March 2016 by an international independent consultant.
4. The D/ICO, serving as Secretariat to the EIF, is recruiting a Lead International Evaluation Consultant, who will be based in the D/ICO, MoC (DICO) is acting as the Trade SWAp Secretariat, National Implementation Unit of the EIF and Executive Agency of the Trade Development Support Program). She/he will work under the general direct supervision and guidance of the EIF Focal Point and in collaboration with the NIU Director.
5. Qualification and Selection Criteria of Consultant:
 - Master Degree in International Trade, International Economics or Development Studies;
 - At least 8 years of relevant professional work experience in monitoring and evaluation works in developing countries;
 - Proven experience in developing and evaluating strategies, programme and project documents in the context of trade-related technical assistance projects and programmes, with strong focus on Aid Effectiveness;
 - Proven experience in working with trade development projects and programmes, particularly Aid for Trade, sector-specific issues, and development issues; good understanding of the EIF will be an added advantage;
 - Proven experience in working with Governments and networking with national and international stakeholders, preferably in Asian LDCs in the area of trade mainstreaming and trade related technical assistance;
 - A strong and proven track record in applying qualitative and quantitative evaluation methods;
 - Data analysis and interpretation skills;
 - Good report writing skills; and
 - Facilitation skills.
6. The consultant’s assignment is expected to be for a maximum of 30 (thirty) working days, most of them in-country. The Consultant will conduct an independent evaluation of Cambodia’s CEDEP II project, during quarter three of 2017. The consultant must use the OECD/DAC Criteria for evaluating development assistance.
7. In submitting their expressions of interest, consultants are kindly requested to indicate the following reference: EIF/2017/040. 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 shall be submitted in hard copy followed by an electronic copy.
8. Interested consultants may obtain copies of the detailed Terms of Reference (in English) for the assignment by sending a request by Email or from the address below during office hours from 8:00 to 12:00 and from 14:00 to 17:30 hours, Monday through Friday, except public holidays.
9. Expressions of interest must be submitted to the address below no later than **09 July 2017 (before 17:00 hours)**

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