

# **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION- RE- ADVERTISEMENT)**

**COUNTRY: Sri Lanka**

**DUTY STATION: Pakistan’s Ministry of Climate Change, Pakistan**

**NAME OF PROJECT: Plastic Free Rivers and Seas for South Asia project (PLEASE)**

**GRANT NO: D648-8S**

**ASSIGNMENT TITLE: Procurement of a consulting firm to support the development of a national plastic waste management plan and establishment of IT-based monitoring and reporting mechanism for Pakistan**

**REFERENCE NO. (as per Procurement Plan): LK-SACEP-342463-CS-QCBS -**

The SACEP has received US\$ 37 Million in financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Plastic Free Rivers and Seas for South Asia (PLEASE) project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include the procurement of a National Consultant (firm) to develop a national plastic waste management plan and the establishment of IT-based monitoring and reporting mechanism for Pakistan within a period of approximately 9 months.

The Ministry of Climate Change Pakistan has submitted its proposal for the Development of a National Plastic Waste Management Plan and establishing IT-based monitoring and reporting mechanism in their proposal.

The proposal envisages support for the development of an action plan to reduce plastic pollution in Pakistan through:

- a. Conducting a diagnostic analysis of plastic pollution and its sources and sinks;
- b. analyzing and synthesizing the current policy and institutional landscape for marine pollution across the country, including by identifying and aligning key actors; and
- c. preparing a long-term integrated action plan that provides recommendations on how to reduce plastic pollution through stakeholder interventions, financial and operational support, and policy reform.
- d. Developing a national plastic database that houses all the relevant plastic ecosystem databases in one place under an agreed framework.

To deliver this national plastic waste management roadmap, it is critical to build on the data collection for the diagnostic analysis and link it to actionable points within the reform plan. In this way, it is important to identify priority areas for targeted interventions, such as regulatory changes, financial investments, or other voluntary arrangements. As such, these proposed interventions will

assess the existing data available on plastic pollution and waste management, identify the gap which is to be filled, and conduct a field survey to fill out these gaps. This diagnostic analysis will subsequently feed into the final sector strategy and roadmap to deliver a national plastic waste management plan.

The list of key proposed activities under the TOR and the expected program which will undertake to achieve the deliverables over a period of 9 months are listed in the detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: [sacep.org/employment-opportunities](http://sacep.org/employment-opportunities).

The South Asia Co-operative Environment Programme (SACEP now invites eligible national consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The shortlisting criteria are:

1. **Assignment-Specific Qualifications and Experience:** The Consulting firm should have a Minimum of 5 years of professional experience working in a similar field, especially in developing and delivery of similar strategies including plastic waste estimation, review of existing policies, development of national action plans, and database development.
2. **Highlight the technical qualifications of your entity/Joint Venture in undertaking similar assignments.** Provide details of past experience working with similar projects with the Ministry of Climate Change of Pakistan or any other government authorities.
3. **Highlight the project references and present experience in similar geographic areas.** Indicate up to 5 reference projects from the past 5 years that the firm/association/joint venture carried out and which are similar to this assignment. Indicate the project’s details such as (i) Project Name,(ii) Name of Client, (iii) Country and Project Location within the Country, (iv) Participation ( whether as a lead firm, or an associate firm) ,(v) value of services of the contract in US\$ (vi) Source of Financing, (vii) no. staff (consultants engaged),(viii) No. of person-months (ix) Length of Consultancy Assignment, (x) start date (dd/mm/yyyy), (xii) Completion Date (dd/mm/yyyy),(xiii) Name of Associate Firms (if any),(ivx) Detailed Narrative Description of the Project and output.
4. **Management Competence:** Highlight standard policies, procedures, and practices that your entity has to assure quality interaction with clients and outputs. Also, describe briefly the method of handling complaints concerning the performance of experts or the quality of the reports submitted for this assignment. How will you ensure the quality of your firm’s/ consortium’s performance over the life of this assignment? Explain standard policies, procedures, and practices that your firm has put in place to avoid changes/ replacements of personnel and to ensure the continuity of professional services once contracted.
5. **Indicate consulting Turnover of the firm for the last 3 years ending 31/12/2022 in US\$ and with relevant substantiations.**

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to the provision under the World Bank Procurement Regulations for Borrowers (“Procurement Regulations for Borrowers”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the QCBS method set out in the World Bank Procurement regulations for the Borrowers.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 08.30 to 16.30 (Sri Lanka Time).

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, by registered post, or by e-mail) by no later than **10<sup>th</sup> April 2023**.

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