

**PUBLIC NATIONAL TENDERING PROCESS
INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR A CONSULTANCY
SERVICES**

BELIZE- GUATEMALA-HONDURAS

“Environmental Protection and Maritime Transport Pollution Control Program in the Gulf of Honduras”
(Belize, Guatemala, and Honduras)

No. PGH-LPN-01-08

Technical Services of Specialized Firms for the Consultancy: DEVELOPMENT OF EXERCISES TO CONTROL SPILLS OF HYDROCARBONS AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES IN THE GULF OF HONDURAS. Technical Cooperation No. GRT/FM-9179-RS, Non-Reimbursable Funding Agreement for Investments granted by the Global Environmental Facility, subscribed between the Central American Maritime Transport Commission (COCATRAM) and the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) in its condition of manager of the IADB/GEF fund.

This Expression of Interest Announcement arises as a response to this Project’s General Announcement of Acquisitions issued in August 16th of 2005 in the Development Business Edition No. 660.

The Global Environmental Facility through the Inter-American Development Bank, in its condition of manager of the IADB/GEF fund, has granted the Central American Maritime Transport Commission (COCATRAM) a non-reimbursable fund. Part of these funds will be destined to hire consultancy services for the DEVELOPMENT OF EXERCISES TO CONTROL SPILLS OF HYDROCARBONS AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES IN THE GULF OF HONDURAS.

The objective of this consultancy is to evaluate the response capability for spills of hydrocarbons and hazardous substances of the operational staff at the project member ports in coordination with other private and public institutions of each port city (Puerto Cortes, Puerto Santo Tomas de Castilla, Puerto Barrios (Cobigua), Port of Belize, Port of Big Creek) in order to provide the required training on the topic. This will generate immediate and effective protection of the people, environment, port heritage, and the ships’ properties. Simulation exercises and practical training of the technical staff involved in processes, based on the consultancy results, will be carried out to strengthen the emergency measures and improve the preparedness level to fight these type of incidents.

The Project’s Regional Coordination Unit invites all those consulting firms which are interested in providing the service and fulfill the required qualification to express their interest. Together with their expression of interest, the firms must attach documentation (such as brochures, descriptions of similar works, experience in similar conditions, availability of members with the

desired expertise, etc.) that certifies their ability to perform the job. Consulting firms may merge to improve their scores.

For more information, interested firms may contact us at the address or phone number detailed below, between the hours of 8:00 – 16:00.

The procurement process will be carried out in accordance with the Policies for Selection and Hiring of Consultants Financed by the Inter-American Development Bank, Document GN-2350-7, issued in July 2006. The selected firms will integrate a short-list of candidates. A Request for Proposal will be sent to the short-listed firms.

The Expression of Interest Letters and all the required documentation shall be sent in a sealed envelope with the inscription: “DEVELOPMENT OF EXERCISES TO CONTROL SPILLS OF HYDROCARBONS AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES IN THE GULF OF HONDURAS”, no later than August 08, 2008, 16 hours (Honduran official time) to the address underneath. Any Expression of Interest Letter received after the specified date and hour will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Attention:

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