

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**Country:** The Socialist Republic of Vietnam

**Project name:** Financial sector modernization and information management system project (FSMIMS)

**Project ID:** P088759; **Credit No.:** 4505-VN

**Assignment title:** Consultant for designing and implementation supervision of SBV's new Data Center

**Reference No.** (as per Procurement Plan): ST9

The State Bank of Vietnam (SBV) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of FSMIMS Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services under the contract namely "Consultant for designing and implementation supervision of SBV's new Data Center".

The services include:

- (i) Providing consulting services for designing a data center (DC) up to TIA 942 standards (Tier III);
- (ii) Preparing bidding documents and supporting SBV in selection of a supplier for the package "SBV's new data center equipment supply, installation and relocation".
- (iii) Supporting SBV in supervising the implementation and commissioning of the supplier for the package "SBV's new data center equipment supply, installation and relocation".

Interested consulting firms are encouraged to refer to the Project Appraisal Document, updated General Procurement Plan at <http://www.worldbank.org/projects/P088759/financial-sector-modernization-information-management-system> for further information.

The service is planned to be provided in 16 months, starting from August 2015, with a team of consultants with international and local qualifications and experience.

The State Bank of Vietnam now invites eligible consulting firms (hereinafter called the Consultants) to indicate their interest in providing the services. The Consultants, in order to be shortlisted, must demonstrate that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services (brochures, documentations, description of core business and years in business, technical and managerial organization, general qualification and number of key staff, qualification in the field of the assignment, performance experiences including description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skill staff qualifications, financial capability, eligibility, form of association, etc.).

The shortlisting criteria are: (a) The Consultant (firm) must demonstrate that it has been and is currently offering services in DC design consultancy under their business name for a period not less than 7 years. The Consultant must legally be able to conduct business in the country(ies) for which it is registered; (b) In the past five (05) years as of date of EOI, the Consultant must have completed at least two (02) successful projects involving in data center design consultancy in accordance with TIA 942 Tier III standard or above. Working experience in Vietnam will be an advantage; (c) the soundness of financial capacity (based on the audited financial statements for the recent 3 years



2011, 2012 and 2013); and (d) professional staff capacity. Consultants may associate to enhance their qualification. In case of forming association, consultants should indicate in their Expression of Interest that whether they will associate in the form of **a joint venture or sub-consultancy** arrangement. It is noted that in case of joint venture, all members of joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for execution of contract and one member shall be appointed to represent the joint venture.

The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection based on the Quality-Cost Based Selection (QCBS) procedures set out in the *Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers*, dated May 2004 (revised October 2006).

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours from 8:00-16:00 daily (Vietnam time), Monday to Friday.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below no later than 4PM, March 6<sup>th</sup> 2015 via post or e-mail.

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