REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING PROJECT

Grant No.: V1240-ST

Assignment Title: ASSET QUALITY REVIEW FOR SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE

Reference No.: 01/C/ICB/2017

The Government of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Institutional Capacity Building Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include:

- Risk assessment to identify the main risks underlying the banks' balance sheets
- Verification exercise for performing loans
- Valuation exercise of the non-performing loan portfolio
- Valuation exercise of the investment portfolio
- Assets acquired in exchange for loans
- Determination of capital position
- Stress test.

The consulting services is to be implemented from January to June 2018.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained at the address given below.

The Project Administration and Fiduciary Agency (AFAP) now invites eligible 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:

- Must have at least 3 (three) years-experience in Asset quality review or as bank examiner
- Must have at least 2 (two) similar contracts in the last 5 years.

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016

("Procurement Regulations")r the Institutional Capacity Building Project, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a subconsultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours: 08:00 to 12:00 and 15:00 to 17:00 hours (local time) Monday to Friday.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by October 17, 2017 until 17:00 hours (Sao Tome and Principe local time).

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