

Enhancing Digital Government and Economy (EDGE) Project
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**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)**

Country: Bangladesh

Name of the Project: Enhancing Digital Government and Economy (EDGE)

Credit No: 6675-BD

Assignment Title: Consulting Services for Digital Economy Training for Hire and Train Program

Reference No. Package no: EDGE-S6

The Government of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Enhancing Digital Government and Economy (EDGE) Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include Digital Economy Training for Hire and Train Program.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.bcc.gov.bd or can be obtained at the address given below.

The Bangladesh Computer Council (BCC) now invites eligible 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:

- General Experience of the Firm (core business and years in business)
- Specific Experience in similar assignment;
- Firm’s relevant managerial, financial and organizational capabilities for the assignment.

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 [Revised November 2017, August 2018 & November 2020] (“Procurement Regulations”), 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 sub-consultancy. 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. Although the lead firm in the joint venture will provide the core expertise, each partner of the JV has to be reasonably qualified in terms of shortlisting criteria to take over the responsibilities and role of any of the partners that may fail to perform or withdraws. However, the qualifications/experience of sub-consultants will not be considered by the Client in the evaluation of Expressions of Interest for Shortlisting purposes.

In case of an association, the Consultants must explain in the EOI submission (a) the rationale for forming the association and (b) the anticipated role and relevant qualifications of each

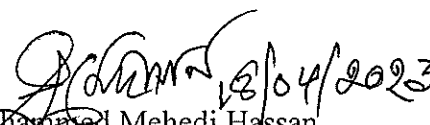


member of the Joint Venture and/or of each sub-consultant for carrying out the assignment, to justify the proposed inclusion of the JV members and/or sub-consultants in the association. Failure to provide the above explanation in the Expression of Interest may risk the association not being shortlisted for the assignment.

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

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 9:00 to 16:00 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **18 May 2023 up to Office hours.**


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