



**STATE OF PALESTINE
MINISTRY OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HOUSING
CENTRAL TENDERING DEPARTMENT (CTD)
FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE
PALESTINIAN WATER AUTHORITY**

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

Country: State of Palestine
Name of Project: Water Security Development- Gaza Central Desalination Program:
Associated Works Project Phase I (AWP-Phase 1)
Project ID No.: P168739
Assignment Title: Updating Water Sector Policy and Strategy
Reference No.: PWA/GCDP/CS02/CQS
Invitation No.: PWA/WB/2020/015EOI-CTD

The Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Water Security Development - Gaza Central Desalination Program: Associated Works Project Phase I (AWP-Phase 1), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include:

- Review existing data, available studies and planning documents related to updating the Water Sector Policy and Strategy, and collecting needed data.
- Develop a comprehensive description of the situation of all relevant subjects in connection to the assignment, based on the analysis of the collected data.
- Develop draft National Water Sector Policy and Strategy considering the following:
 - Compliance with the water law, national policy, strategic programs and

projects, in addition to water sector reform, and consider the political context implication.

- Clear path for future plans by studying and addressing critical elements that form the foundation of sustainable development of the water sector.
- Baseline data to be updated and strategy to cover the next 20 years
- Present the draft National Water Sector Policy and Strategy during National workshops
- Develop the final version of the National Water Sector Policy and Strategy in English and translate into Arabic by an official translator

The estimate level of effort for the key staff is 14 person-months. The assignment is expected to commence in January 2021, and the implementation period is around six (6) months.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.pwa.ps , <http://www.pwa.ps/page.aspx?id=d3fEhna1248699936ad3fEhn>.

The Central Tendering Department (CTD) 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 selection criteria are:

1. General experience: Have been in business for at least the past 20 years in strategic development field (20%);
2. Specific experience: Evidence of firm capability and relevant experience in the execution of Consultancy Assignment of a similar nature, including the nature and value of the relevant contracts, as well as works in hand and contractually committed. The evidence shall include successful experience in the execution of at least two (2) Consultancy Services of a similar nature and size and complexity during the last five (5) years (70%);
3. Availability of appropriate skills among staff and/or the ability to mobilize a diversified team of experts with appropriate knowledge and skills (10%).

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the selection 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 and August 2018 (“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.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Consultant's Qualification-based Selection (CQS)** method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address (1) below during office hours from 8:00 am to 15:00pm.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address (2) below in person, or by e-mail on or before **Tuesday 27/10/2020 no later than 12:00 noon local time.**

The addresses are:

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