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**Institution:** MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (MTCA)

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**Deadline:** Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 4:00 pm local Belize time

The Government of Belize has received financing from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) under the "Sustainable Tourism Program II", and intends to apply part of the proceeds towards payments for the consulting services for "Baseline Study, Feasibility Study, Social Environmental Assessment and Architectural & Engineering Designs for Caracol Archaeological Reserve, including a Site and Visitor Management Plan".

The aim of this consultancy and the tourism investment is to develop onsite activities and facilities to improve visitor experience, increase safety and visitor management, and add tourism value to the iconic site of Caracol Archaeological Reserve. As a result, maximizing its potential as the signature Maya Cultural Heritage Site for Belize and a major anchor site in the west of the country, in particular within the Western Maya Mountain Massif region, and specifically within the Mountain Pine Ridge-Chiquibul-Caracol tourism corridor.

The consultant will carry out the following: i) Baseline Studies; ii) Site and Visitor Management Plans; iii) Feasibility Study; iv) Develop Socio-environmental Assessment and Environmental Management Plans; v) Develop Communication Options; vi) Develop Architectural, Engineering and Bidding Documents (Bill of Quantities and Technical Specifications); vii) Develop Operational and Maintenance Plans.

Anticipated duration of this consultancy is fifty-three weeks. The consulting firm/consortium/joint venture must demonstrate experience and in-depth expertise in i) collection and compilation of baseline data ii) development of data sets for social, economic, environmental and management factors iii) evaluate risks associated with ecosystem, physical, biological and social aspects iv) development of management plans v) development of feasibility study (including technical, social, economic and environmental aspects) vi) impact assessment for social, environmental and management vii) develop communication options and system viii) preparation of architectural and engineering documents ix) preparation of bill of quantities and cost estimates x) preparation of operation and maintenance guidelines.

The Ministry of Tourism and Civil Aviation, now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing these services. Interested consultants must provide information establishing that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff etc). Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications.

Consultants will be selected using the 'Quality and Cost-based Selection' (QCBS) procurement method in accordance with the procedures set out in the Inter-American Development Bank: *Policies for the selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank* (GN-2350-9) and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies. Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 09:00 AM to 4:00 PM local Belize time. Expressions of interest must be delivered via direct mail or e-mail at the address indicated below by Friday, November 16, 2018, at 4:00 pm local Belize time.

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