

Request for Expression of Interest: Consultant service to organize National Quiz on Finance for Senior High Schools in the Country.

BACKGROUND

The Government of Ghana has received credit from the World Bank as part of its Financial Sector Reforms (FSR) programme, to modernize the entire financial sector to enable the country meet its overall accelerated development goals and also to improve its competitiveness in the modern global economy through the Economic Management Capacity Building (EMCB) project.

The Financial Sector Reforms (FSR) under the EMCB credit agreement signed between the Government of Ghana and the IDA / World Bank, was designed among other things, to improve the performance of the Ghanaian Financial sector to respond to the needs of the economy. The FSR has a five fold strategic policy objectives among which includes the need to develop new financial products/markets as well as legal and regulatory framework to support the growth and development of the financial sector as a means of reducing poverty and accelerating the overall growth and development of the economy of Ghana.

The Ministry of Finance & Economic Planning therefore intends to apply part of this credit to payments for a contract for a Consultant to organise National Quiz on Finance for Senior High Schools in the country.

SCOPE OF THE SERVICE

- The selected consultant (s) must be a firm.

The Consultant (Quiz Organizer) will be expected to undertake the following:

- a. Validate the proposed format of two preliminaries culminating in a final event;
- b. Determine criteria for selection of the Senior High Schools that will participate in the program to ensure a broad and adequate representation of schools across the country;
- c. Select the Senior High Schools based on the agreed criteria;
- d. Determine the structure and format of the quiz;
- e. Determine dates and venues for implementation of the preliminaries that will culminate in the final to be held on Sunday July 20 at the Teachers Hall in Accra;
- f. Publicise the quiz and arrange for the audience and TV/radio coverage;
- g. Arrange logistics for the events – travel and accommodation for the students etc;
- h. Agree on suitable rewards for the winners;
- i. Facilitate implementation of the preliminaries and the final;
- j. Prepare a report on the event, with recommendations for future such events.

The final of the SHS Quiz is expected to be held in Accra on Sunday July 20, 2008. Elimination stages are expected to culminate in the finals. For this first year, because of time constraints, the proposal is to hold two preliminaries; one for schools in the southern and the other for schools in the northern sector (Ashanti region and beyond). An estimated four or five schools could participate in each of the preliminaries, and the two top schools from each preliminary participate in the finals.

Furthermore the consultant will be required to work with a selected financial expert who will serve as the quiz facilitator. The Quiz facilitator will undertake the following;

- Research and develop an appropriate set of questions for the quiz and validate with the financial sector regulators and institutions;
- Serve as the quiz master/mistress to run the event.

SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The Ministry of Finance & Economic Planning now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the above services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the service, proven experience in similar assignment.

Extensive knowledge to organize quiz programme

Availability of appropriate skills among staff and proven ability to develop and execute the above assignment

Names and Curriculum Vitae of the firms permanent senior personnel who will work on the assignment including qualification and individual experience in handling the assignment preferably in developing countries and its success.

The consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedure set out in the World Bank's Guidance for Selection and Employment of Consultants by the World Bank Borrowers May 2004

Interested Consultants may obtain further information at the address below from 10.00hrs to 1700hrs on Friday 16th May 2008.

Expression of Interest must be delivered in a sealed envelope clearly marked Expression of Interest to organise National Quiz on Finance for Senior High Schools in the country. and delivered not later than 29th May 2008

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