

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING FIRM)

Country: Indonesia

Name of Project: SOUTHEAST ASIA REGIONAL PROGRAM ON COMBATING MARINE PLASTICS (SEA-MaP)

Grant No./Project No.: E 051/P175659

Assignment Title: Consulting Services for Regional Platform for Knowledge & Partnerships on Marine Plastics

Reference No.: ID-ASEAN-445405-CS-QCBS

Date: 25 September 2024

1. The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Southeast Asia Regional Program on Combating Marine Plastics (SEA-MaP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services to **Regional Platform for Knowledge & Partnerships on Marine Plastics**.
2. The objective of this consultancy is to develop the Regional Platform (“the Platform”) for Knowledge and Partnerships on Marine Plastics, building on an existing knowledge hub on marine debris in the ASEAN region. The Platform is to strengthen existing ASEAN regional knowledge networks on marine plastics through the development of a regional platform for knowledge and partnerships.
3. The consulting services (“the Services”) include:
 - a) Development and management of the Regional Platform for Knowledge and Partnerships - Web platform
 - b) Knowledge Management Framework, Partnership Building Strategy and Roadmap
 - c) Communications and outreach
 - d) Institutional sustainability strategy
 - e) Set up of the SEA-MaP Regional Training Program on Plastic Waste Management and Implementation Plan
 - f) Events including consultations

The assignment is expected to be completed by Q4 2025. However, this timeline is an estimate and may be subject to adjustments.

4. The SEA-MaP Project Management Unit (PMU) now invites eligible consulting firm (“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. Only the experience and qualifications of consulting firm shall be considered in the selection process. The criteria for selecting the Consultant are:

- a) Demonstrated experience, at least 3 years in building and operating a similar knowledge and partnerships platform on marine debris, circular economy, or solid waste management, preferably in the Southeast Asia/ASEAN region.
 - b) Demonstrated availability of technical capacity and resource readiness to operationalize the forthcoming Regional Platform for Knowledge and Partnerships.
 - c) Access to a pool of experts and/or service providers that are essential to the development and implementation of the Platform.
 - d) Extensive experience working with ASEAN governments or inter-governmental organizations on similar assignments in the Southeast Asian region is highly preferred.
 - e) Demonstrated experience in multi-stakeholder particularly public and private coordination and cooperation.
5. The attention of the interested Consultants is drawn to the Section III, Para 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, July 2016 and updated in September 2023", setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
6. The consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost-Based Selection method set out in the Procurement Regulations for Borrowers under Investment Project Financing (IPF) dated July 1, 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018 and November 2020 and September 2023 (Fifth Edition).

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (i.e., 09.00 to 17.00 hours). The detailed TOR for the assignment is attached or can also be obtained upon request by contacting the below:

Attn: Procurement Unit of the SEA-MaP PMU
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7. EOI should be submitted in English and delivered in written form to the address above (either in person, by mail, or by e-mail) by Friday, 18 October 2024 (extended deadline) at 17.00 local time.
8. The Procuring Entity (PE) reserves the right to accept or reject any or all EOIs without assigning any reason whatsoever. All decisions by the PE are final.