

GOVERNMENT OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

IMPROVING THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC'S EPA IMPLEMENTATION CAPACITY

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

The Government of the Dominican Republic (GODR) has been awarded a grant of USD230,108 under the CARIFORUM-EU Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) Standby Facility for Capacity Building under the 10th European Development Fund (EDF). The Grant will be administered by the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) towards the cost of the above named project and GODR intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this Grant to eligible payments under contracts procured under this project.

Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of GODR and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than *GODR* shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The following consultancy assignments will be procured under the project:

- (a) Consultancy services for Training - Negotiating and Implementing Trade Agreements.
- (b) Consultancy services for Export Guides.
- (c) Consultancy services for Market Access Training.
- (d) Consultancy services for Trade and Communications.
- (e) Consultancy services for Trade in Services.
- (f) Consultancy services for Intellectual Property Rights Training.

It is expected that these will be procured during the period December 2014 to February 2015.

Consultants from member countries of CDB, EU Member Countries which are not CDB Member Countries and the Dominican Republic, a CARIFORUM Member State but not a CDB Member Country will be eligible to participate in these procurement opportunities.

The Directorate of Foreign Trade of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and SMEs is the Executing Agency for the project. Further details of the project can be obtained by contacting the address below.

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