



LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRACY UNITY PROSPERITY

Ministry of Public Works and Transport
Department of Planning and Finance

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESS OF INTEREST
International Senior Aviation Specialist Technical Assistance on OPS-AIG-AGA-AIR
(Ref. No. ICS-070, Project ID No. P176088; IDA Credit No. 7102-LA)

Lao PDR have received financing support from the World Bank's (WB) International Development Association (IDA) to implement the Southeast Asia Regional Economic Corridor and Connectivity (SEARECC) with a project duration of six (6) years starting from middle of year 2022. The Ministry of Public Works and Transport (MPWT) is an implementing agency. The Department of Civil Aviation of the Lao People's Democratic Republic (DCAL) is the regulatory body responsible for overseeing civil aviation activities within the country. It is a division of the Ministry of Public Works and Transport and is headquartered at Wattay International Airport in Vientiane.

The objectives of the mission were to assist the Department of Civil Aviation of Lao PDR (DCAL) and the Aircraft Accident Investigation Office of Ministry of Public Works and Transport on enhancing their Universal Safety Oversight Audit Programme (USOAP) Effective Implementation score (EI), under the Asia/Pacific (APAC) Combined Action Team (CAT) Plan. The scope of the CAT mission included the following areas: Aircraft Operations (OPS); Accident and Incident Investigation (AIG); Aerodrome and Ground Aids (AGA); and Airworthiness of Aircraft (AIR).

The estimated period of assignment is initially planned for 12 months with a possibility of extension, depending on the project needs. The Consultant shall work on a part-time basis, with an approximate time input of 90 to 100 person-days (up to 50 days inputs in Vientiane, Laos, and up to 50 days worked remotely).

The SEARECC Project Procurement Committee now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultant should provide information (CV, Expression of Interest, other supporting information, if any) demonstrating that s/he has the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. In order to qualify for this position, the candidates shall meet the following experience and competence requirements:

- At least a Bachelor's degree in Aeronautics, Airport Design, Engineering, & Construction, Aerospace Engineer, Transport or Air Transport, Aviation Management, or a related field from a recognized institution or equivalent relevant operational qualification;
- Qualified ICAO USOAP Auditor and Certified Inspector;
- Certified Safety Inspector (OPS); (AIG); (AGA); (AIR)
- 10 years proven experience as an Aviation Safety Inspector or in a similar role;
- Participation in at least 3 inspection, monitoring and evaluation missions, and preparation of respective audit reports, and action plans; such experience in Southeast region is an advantage;
- Extensive knowledge of aviation regulations, standards and recommended practices: Know the official Standards and Recommended Practices (SARPs) of ICAO;
- Have extensive knowledge of airworthiness directives;
- Extensive knowledge of the regional and international standards and regulations for Asian airports;
- Thorough understanding of the Laos aviation operating environment, the operational characteristics, services, activities, and procedures, is an advantage.
- Confidentiality, strong attention to detail, exceptional communication skills, both verbal and written.
- Ability to work without supervision and guidance.
- Strong teamwork and collaboration skills. Flexibility & adaptability.

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" 4th edition of November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by **12 Dec 2024**, 16:00 o'clock Lao time (submissions via email are also acceptable). Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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Yours sincerely,

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