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Consulting Services - Individual

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✓ Request for Expression of Interest

Project

Fiscal Performance Improvement Support Project (FSP):

Title

International Audit expert for (2021)

Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

Supreme Audit Office

Procurement Department

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI)

Fiscal Performance Improvement Support Project (FSP)

(Individual consultant)

Grants Audit Senior Experts

Government of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

Project Name: Fiscal Performance Improvement Support Project (FSP)

Project Id: P159655

Grant No: IDA-D2630

Assignment Title: International Consultant (Senior Audit Expert)

SAO Ref. No.: SAO-FSP-CS-INDV-SENIOR-2021

Background:

1.1 Supreme Audit Office (SAO) is the only Supreme Audit Institution conducting an audit of accounting and financial activities of the Government entities and organizations in Afghanistan. The SAO has the mandate to conduct Qatia Statement Audit, Financial Audits, Compliance Audits, Performance Audits, and special audits on pre-determined government institutions. Its mandate, functions, and powers are enshrined in the Supreme Audit Office Law.

SAO also undertakes Audit of the Financial Statements of the World Bank grants projects and provide an audit opinion on the financial statements and compliance of the projects with terms and conditions of the respective/relevant financing agreements.

Funded by the World Bank and implemented by SAO under the Fiscal Performance Improvement Support Project (FSP), the objective of the audit of the financial statement of the Grants project is to provide an audit opinion on the financial statements and simultaneously contribute to the self-reliance of the SAO audit staff to conduct the audit without external support in the medium term.

SAO is committed to improving the quality of grant/project audit to provide assurance to the government and the donors on the use of grant resources and increase the confidence of the donors on the control system and regularity mechanism on the use of finances.

Objectives of the Assignment

SAO intends to hire the International Senior Audit Expert for 5 Months with the following details.

Item	Details
International Senior Audit Expert	One Position (Shall be responsible for overall coordination, supervision, and conduct of the assignment including coordination with all the International Audit Experts, audit teams, and SAO and for quality control and provide all the assignment deliverables.
Period of Engagement	5 Months (Start from arrival to Afghanistan) Indicative date March 2021

<p>Assignment for 5 Months Starting from arrival to Afghanistan up to 5 months. Indicative date March 2021</p>	<p>Undertaking an audit of the project financial statements for the year 1399/2020 and providing an audit report (which shall include appropriate audit opinion) / management letter thereon. This needs to be completed in 5 months (150 Calendar days), starting from arrival to Afghanistan.</p> <p>Simultaneously, undertaking and supervise on the job training and capacity building of the SAO Audit Team members in the audit of the project financial statements including quality control/assurance. The Expert has to provide a proper plan and a report on the same.</p> <p>It is Expected that there would be (36-45) projects, the financial statements of which would need to be audited (financial statements for the year 1399/2020).</p>
<p>Technical requirement</p>	<p>Auditing to be done as per applicable auditing standards (INTOSAI ISSAIs / IFAC IAASB's ISAs /Applicable internal control framework).</p> <p>The Financial Statements of the projects are prepared as per the Cash Basis IPSAS endorsed by the IFAC IPSAS Board.</p>

Duties and Responsibilities:

Review and get the approval of Audit Plan and Audit Resources plan for FY 1399 Grants/ Projects audits.

Finalize the abovementioned plans based on comments from the SAO

Regularly supervise and provide technical guidance for implementation of the approved audit plan and submit a status report to SAO or any of its designated person on a timely basis (Weekly). In case of any delays, escalate the same to the appropriate level within SAO and WB.

Work with audit team on a day to day basis and Supervise/manage audit teams to carryout Grants/ Projects Audit procedures as per the audit work program / TORs agreed with the World Bank to warrant that each project has ensured the following appropriately and completely:

- Proper presentation of project financial statements
- Proper utilization of funds from the Bank accounts of the project and in accordance with the financing agreements
- Accuracy of statements of expenditure
- Whether the accounting system and internal controls are commensurate with the nature of operations and volume of transactions
- Eligibility of expenditures for financing under the respective development grants/financing agreements and technical annexes
- Periodic Financial Monitoring Reports or interim Financial Reports submitted by the Ministry or project units reconcile with the project financial statements
- Project disbursement reconcile with Bank disbursements, IUFR and Financial Report
- All underlying records/data have been managed completely/appropriately.

Carry out a detailed review of work performed by the audit team through International Audit Experts and get the audit reports drafted as per requirements of International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs) and Guidelines of International Organization of Supreme Audit Institution (INTOSAI).

Supervise the Conduct, progress, and completion of all the projects, especially the (ARTF- RCW) Project and other high-risk projects.

Review the management letters prepared by the audit teams and ensure the quality of work

Perform quality control of audit files both soft copy and hard copy files and make sure that the sufficient and appropriate level of documents collected to support the observation and opinion raised.

Submit the draft audit report and management letters to the SAO for approval after ensuring quality control and quality review.

Provide training to Afghanistan Supreme Audit Office staff.

Specifically, train the SAO Senior Audit Staffs and Local Audit Managers on how to lead and manage the grants audit and the teams.

Review and have a satisfaction survey of on job training performed by International Audit Expert to group members.

Prepare and finalize the task completion report, including how the capacity building has productively implemented.

Deliverables, Timelines, and Payments

4.1 Deliverables-Grants Audit (for the financial year 1399/2020)

The total value of payment- 100% of the total actual projects delivered. The number of projects will be allocated to a consultant within the range of 36 to 45 as per the SAO decision.

Deliverable-Grants Audit	Timeline	Payment
Overall responsibility for delivery to time, quality, and cost parameters of all services to be delivered by the International Audit Experts and the key contact for SAO (12 to 15 projects Draft Completion of ARs and MLs and submission to Directorate). And provide on the job training report	50 days from the start day	60%* Actual # of Projects Delivered * Per Delivery Rate
Overall responsibility for delivery to time, quality, and cost parameters of all services to be delivered by the International Audit Experts and the key contact for SAO (12 to 15 projects Draft Completion of ARs and MLs and submission to Directorate). And provide on the job training report	85 days from the start day	60%* Actual # of Projects Delivered * Per Delivery Rate
Overall responsibility for delivery to time, quality, and cost parameters of all services to be delivered by the International Audit Experts and the key contact for SAO (12 to 15 projects Draft Completion of ARs and MLs and submission to Directorate). And provide on the job training report	120 days from the start day	60%* Actual # of Projects Delivered * Per Delivery Rate
Finalization of all Audit Report and Management Letters incorporating any comments from QA review and submission to the World Bank & Project Closure Report including how he/she contributed in Capacity Building of SAO Staffs and how he/she enhanced the capacity of SAO Senior Audit Staffs and Local Audit Managers on how to lead and manage the grants audit and the teams.	150 days from the start day	(40%*All Actual # of Projects Delivered * Per Delivery Rate)
Total		100%

Note: Grants Audit Director will be responsible to approve the deliverables for the sake of payment.

The reimbursable include the following as per the actual documents provided;

- Living Allowance as per WB Guidelines

- Local Transportation as per WB Guidelines
- One-time Visa cost
- One-time Work Permit
- One-time International Round Trip Ticket

Consultant Qualifications for International Senior Audit Expert.

- Qualified CA / CPA / ACCA with at least 10 years of audit experience including globally recognized audit firm in the region/supreme audit institution
- English language proficiency
- Required experience of working in the complex environment in Afghanistan/developing country and experience of carrying out public sector audits including project audit and will be preferred.
- Experience in undertaking or reviewing program/project development.
- Familiarity with specialized audit software would be an asset.
- Strong analytical skills.
- Ability to work in a team and carry out audit activities.
- Ability to write clear and concise reports and other relevant documents.
- Work experience with international or regional organizations or other entities in a relevant field.

A consultant will be selected through Individual Consultant Selection Method in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, Procurement in investment Projects Financing, Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services July 2016, Revised November 2017 and August 2018

The interested applicant must attach his/her CV, Approved Work Experience and Educational Documents with EOI.

EOI must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person by mail, or a PDF copy by e-mail no later than **(13-Feb-2021)** by 15:00 Hours. (Kabul Local Time). For convenience, the EOIs submitted by the consultants should preferably not exceeding 20 pages. Further information in respect to this REOI can be obtained at the address below by email or in person during office hours [09:00-15:00 Hours].

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SAO-FSP-CS-INDV-SENIOR-2021

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English

Related Notices and Contract Awards

WB-P653703-01/21 (<https://devbusiness.un.org/content/international-audit-expert-2021-3>)

WB-C652368-01/21 (<https://devbusiness.un.org/content/procurement-it-equipment-3-lots>)

WB-P626079-12/20 (<https://devbusiness.un.org/content/it-equipment-ard-and-insurance>)

WB-C630186-12/20 (<https://devbusiness.un.org/content/institutional-development-and-procurement-training-specialist>)

WB-C627624-12/20 (<https://devbusiness.un.org/content/hp-spare-parts-0>)

WB-C627927-12/20 (<https://devbusiness.un.org/content/media-video-producing-broadcasting-and-installing-designing-and-printing-billboards-0>)

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WB-P610767-12/20 (<https://devbusiness.un.org/content/selection-international-procurement-agent-services-select-projects-afghanistan-supported>)

WB-P595068-11/20 (<https://devbusiness.un.org/content/mof-printing-package>)

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Open - Procurement notice is open for bidding;

Closed - Deadline has passed;

Cancelled - Procurement process is cancelled;


N/A - Not applicable, for General Procurement Notices with unspecified deadlines.

Please note that due to the difference in time zones, the actual deadline time may be a few hours earlier or later than when the status changes from Open to Closed on the website. Please do not solely rely on the above status and take note of the deadline in local time (found in the body of the text of each procurement notice).

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