



LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRATIC UNITY PROSPERITY

Ministry of Planning and Investment
Lao Statistics Bureau
Department of Cabinet

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
National Consultants on Statistics and Quantitative Research
Methods in Social Sciences for MA Program (Ref. No. CS-37).

I. BACKGROUND

The Lao PDR has received a Loan under the project: “Lao PDR Strengthening the National Statistical System Project (LAOSTAT II)” financed by International Development Association (IDA), the World Bank for an amount equivalent to twenty-one million US dollar (US\$21 million) to improve the capacity of the Lao PDR Statistical System to produce and disseminate good quality statistics in a timely manner and to enhance use of key statistics, and in case of an Eligible Crisis or Emergency, respond promptly and effectively to it. The project is aligned closely with the Strategy of the Development of National Statistical System (2016 – 2025) and Vision 2030 which outlines key strategies for sustainable development of the Lao Statistical System. Lao PDR intends to use part of the proceeds of this loan for payments under a contract for a National Consultants to assist LAOSTAT II in managing and implementing project activities.

II. SCOPE OF WORK:

Key responsibilities of the assignment include:

The objective of this consultancy is to develop comprehensive textbooks on “**Statistics and Quantitative Research Methods in Social Sciences**” for the MA programs of the faculty of social science, National University of Laos under the LAOSTAT-II project. The textbook is intended to respectively cater to the needs of graduate students studying statistics, social sciences, and related fields.

III. QUALIFICATIONS/SELECTION CRITERIA

The consultant must present the following qualifications:

• **Education:**

- A background in statistics, economics, or a related field. Holding Master’s degree in related field or award as associate professor.

• **Experience:**

- Relevant work experience in statistical analysis and quantitative research is essential which include experience in conducting surveys, analyzing data, and interpreting statistical findings.
- Experience working with statistical software such as SPSS, Stata, R or other relevant statistical software applications.
- Teaching experience of at least 5 years.
- Experience in producing textbooks or educational materials.
- Experience in publishing quantitative research papers.

IV. DURATION OF ASSIGNMENT:

- The assignment is a contract for intermittent work of [30] days spread over a duration of [September 2024 to January 2024] months.
- Duty station: Vientiane Capital, Lao PDR

Interested Consultant should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services, such as an updated curriculum vitae indicating personal and technical skills, academic qualifications and experience in similar assignments. Consultants may obtain copies of the detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) in English from the address below during office hours **9:00 am to 4:00 pm** Monday through Friday.

Expressions of interest shall be delivered by e-mail by **13 September 2024** to the following:

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