REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS)
LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE
National Implementation Unit
Second Lao PDR Competitiveness and Trade Project (P512702)

National IT Specialist
(Ref. No. B1.1)

The Ministry of Industry and Commerce (MOIC) of the Government of Lao PDR has received a grant from Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) through the Umbrella Facility for Trade Multi-Donor Trust Fund 2.0, administered by the World Bank, toward the cost of the Second Lao PDR Competitiveness and Trade Project (LCTP 2), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The National Implementation Unit (NIU) is now seeking an experienced individual for the position of National IT Specialist. The objective of this assignment is to provide expert advisory, project management, and implementation support to Department of Enterprise Management (DEM) of MOIC for the enhancement, quality assurance, and successful roll-out of the Electronic Business Registration System (eBRS). The IT Specialist will assist DEM to ensure system enhancement—including regulatory alerts, issue resolution, and monitoring of corrective actions—until the eBRS is stable, optimal, and sustainable in the Lao PDR context, with data sharing across agencies and linkage to business licensing.

The services of the IT Specialist are required for a period of 12 months, commencing in November 2026, on a full-time basis based at DEM in Vientiane, Lao PDR. Contract extensions shall be subject to the availability of funds and satisfactory annual performance evaluation. The IT Specialist will work under the overall supervision of designated DEM officials, and day-to-day activities will be carried out in close collaboration with the DEM project team, the software developer, local service providers, and other short-term consultants. Full ToR can be accessed via this URL: **https://tinyurl.com/3d4wdnpb**

To qualify for the assignment, a prospective candidate shall meet the following requirements:

- A bachelor's degree in information technology, with a focus on web-based application information systems, or a related field;
- Strong organizational and IT project management skills;
- Demonstrated experience in developing, implementing, supervising, and managing full-stack IT projects, particularly web-based application systems—experience with a government institution will be considered an asset;
- Knowledge of computer languages (e.g., HTML/CSS, JavaScript, XML, jQuery, C#, Java, PHP, Python) and technologies used in web-based application development, including frameworks, CMS, Linux, Apache, and UI/UX design, as well as databases (e.g., MySQL, Oracle);
- At least five (5) years of relevant work experience, particularly in providing consultancy for packaged solutions such as business registration systems or business process re-engineering to reputable organizations, government agencies, or Project Management Units;
- Experience working in a government-executed project environment is a strong asset;
- Fluency in English and Lao, both spoken and written—document translation skills; and
- Excellent command of IT support tools and Microsoft Office applications (Word, Excel, PowerPoint); good presentation skills or experience in conducting relevant workshops is an asset.

The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the World Bank 'Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers', Sixth Edition, February 2025, under the Individual Consultant (IC) selection method. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraphs 3.13, 3.15 and 3.16 of the said Regulations, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Interested applicants should submit their applications and provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (curriculum vitae with expression of interest and references). Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below no later than **8 October 2026, 16:00 hours (Vientiane time)** (submissions via email are also acceptable). Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

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