

MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND TREASURY Male', Republic of Maldives,

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Assignment Title: Strengthening of the Public Accounting System Project (Re-Tender)

The Government of Maldives (GoM) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Maldives Pension and Social Protection Administration project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include Strengthening of the Public Accounting System, to modernize the Public Accounting System (PAS) to enable it to improve the financial management, enhance public sector governance, and strengthen its accountability.

Interested consulting firms ("Consultants") may obtain an outline TOR from <u>www.pension.gov.mv</u> and further information and the TOR at the address below during office hours (8:00 am and 3:00 pm).

The Ministry of Finance and Treasury (MOFT) now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's <u>"Guidelines:</u> <u>Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank</u> <u>Borrowers</u>"("Consultant Guidelines") published by the Bank in January 2011, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub consultancy to enhance their qualifications.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality-and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

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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 15:00 hrs.local time. 1st April 2013.

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