

MINISTRY OF DIGITAL ECONOMY & ENTREPRENEURSHIP REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

THE HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF JORDAN YOUTH, TECHNOLOGY, AND JOBS PROJECT PROJECT ID: P170669

Activity Reference #: JO-MODEE-449465-CS-QCBS

Activity Title: The selection of an Intermediary for the United States ICT Industry (U.S ICT Industry Bridge to Jordan)

The Ministry of Digital Economy and Entrepreneurship (MoDEE) has received financing from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (The World Bank) toward the cost of the Youth, Technology, and Jobs Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") is for the selection of an Intermediary for the United States ICT Industry (U.S ICT Industry Bridge to Jordan)

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: https://www.modee.gov.jo/en/modules/advancedtenders

The Ministry of Digital Economy and Entrepreneurship (MoDEE) now invites eligible <u>consulting firms</u> ("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, as per the shortlisting criteria below:

	Criterion	Relevant Documentation to be provided in EOI
1.	Successfully accomplished at least one completed project with a similar scope at national or international level during the last 5 years.	 List of projects with the following details: Project Name. Project duration (start & end dates) Project objectives. Project activities. Accomplishment letter
2.	Established experience in the U.S. technology and entrepreneurial ecosystem	 Company profile (background, experience in the ICT sector, organizational capacity, and experience in facilitating international collaborations). Record of achievements for international business development in the U.S. tech ecosystem over the past 5 years
3.	A demonstrated capability to facilitate successful collaborations between international ICT companies, with a history of specifying and implementing collaboration frameworks that address various aspects like joint projects, knowledge sharing, market access, and joint ventures.	 Portfolio of previous collaborations Companies' names Demonstration of the role played by the intermediary Commentary on the outcomes since (if possible) Letters of Reference or Testimonials Any framework documentation

The EOI package should not exceed **25** pages in total and should consist of:

1. Package should consist of documentation that demonstrates the company's qualifications above

Note: Key staff will not be individually evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

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" July 2016 ("Procurement Regulations"), revised November 2017 and August 2018 setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a subconsultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

The following is not normally be included in the same Shortlist with *private sector firms*:

- UN Agencies; or
- State-owned enterprises (SOEs) or institutions and not-for-profit organizations (such as NGOs, and universities), unless they operate as commercial entities that meet the requirements of Paragraph below:

State-owned enterprises (SOEs) or institutions of the Borrower's country may be eligible to compete and be awarded contracts in the Borrower's country only if they can establish, in a manner acceptable to the Bank, that they:

- are legally and financially autonomous;
- Operate under commercial law; and
- Are not under supervision by the agency contracting them.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Quality – Cost Based Selection** method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

For questions and further information, please submit by email to YTJ tenders@modee.gov.jo, by 24, October 2024. Answers will be published at the following website: https://www.modee.gov.jo/en/modules/advancedtenders

Expressions of interest must be submitted in a signed and searchable PDF format by email to YTJ tenders@modee.gov.jo by **13:00** hours on **03, November 2024**

Disclaimer: Prior to the execution of the contract, the awarded consultant is required to settle the stamp fees, calculated at 0.006 of the contract value. Additionally, the consultant must reimburse the Ministry for the full cost of the Request for Expression of Interest newspaper announcement.

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