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Call for Letter of Expression of Interest (EOI)

Capacity Building Package for the Ministry of Finance

Strengthening Public Finance and Financial Markets (FFM) in Iraq

1. Project Background

The Support to Public Financial Management and Financial Market (FFM) Project in Iraq is a multi-donor action commissioned by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), co-funded by the European Union (EU) and implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH.

The government of Iraq has defined comprehensive reform measures to embark on an inclusive development path based on stable and accountable institutions. The aim is to diversify domestic revenue mobilization from near complete dependence on Oil Revenue. To this end, the Project is supporting the government's effort to modernize the non-oil domestic revenue generation system through institutional and human capacity development.

The FFM program has four components and the Fiscal Reform Component is the conduit through which the program is supporting the Government of Iraq to modernize the non-oil revenue mobilization system. The aim is to support the establishment of a transparent and accountable revenue generation system that is capable of mobilizing revenue in a fair manner for service delivery to the citizens, especially the vulnerable women and children who are mostly affected by the prolonged conflict.

In addition, the FFM Program through its component one will support some key counterparts namely, the Finance of Finance (MoF), the General Commission of Taxes (GCT), and the Iraq Customs Authority (ICA). The Program supports the government in doing political analysis based on the following: (i) the economic and social effects of a particular tax type and how it can influence the political atmosphere in the country, (ii) careful analysis of how the imposing of a particular tax can lead to changing political landscape and support, and (iii) evidence-based revenue projections methodologies developed to scientifically estimates the resource envelop to meet the overall budgets and avoid fiscal distortion in the fiscal year budget and resource allocation.

Overall, this multi-donor action emphasizes developing the long-term abilities of its partners such as the Iraqi Ministry of Finance is placed on the key revenue-generating institutions and other non-oil revenue-generating departments and commissions with strong potential for transforming the revenue base from near complete dependence on oil revenue to non-oil revenue.

2. The objective of this training package:

For the Iraqi Ministry of Finance, the political partner of the FFM project, embracing technological advancements is not just a choice but a necessity to foster efficiency, transparency, and security in financial operations.

To support these endeavors, FFM project proposes a comprehensive training program for the MoF -ITDG focused on Python, Web Front End development (utilizing JavaScript, Bootstrap, and Node.js), Cybersecurity fundamentals, and Cross-Platform Application development.

This initiative aims to equip the ITDG staff with the necessary skills and knowledge to navigate the complexities of modern IT infrastructure and enhance the ministry's capabilities in managing financial systems like IFMS, ASYCUDA, and ITAS effectively. And:

- Bridging Efficiency and Innovation.
- Enhancing User Experience.
- Safeguarding Financial Assets.
- Ensuring Accessibility.

3. Tasks to be performed by the contractor:

A. Provision of Technical Expertise to Design Training syllabus/materials and Conduct the package of training in (Python, Web Development, Cybersecurity, Cross-Platform Application Development)

the company will be responsible for providing technical expertise to develop training materials, including presentations, exercises, and assessments, to facilitate effective learning of Python, Web Front-End Development: Enhancing User Experience, Cybersecurity, Cross-Platform Application Development, Qualified 4 trainers to conduct this package of training for 22 training days - 6 hours per day for up to 150 technical employees from the MoF DGIT staff.

Expert 1 – Python Trainer:

- Bachelor's degree in information technology \ Computer Engineering or Science (MBA, PhD degree is an advantage in the technical evaluation).
- Deep understanding of Python programming language, including its syntax, data structures, functions, and object-oriented programming concepts. They should be adept at writing clean, efficient, and scalable code in Python.
- Practical experience in software development to effectively teach real-world applications of Python. He should have hands-on experience in developing software projects using Python and working with libraries, frameworks, and tools commonly used in the industry.
- Experience in teaching or training, whether in a classroom setting or through online platforms.

Expert 2 – Web Development Trainer

- Bachelor's degree in information technology \ Computer Engineering or Science (MBA, PhD degree is an advantage in the technical evaluation).
- should have a strong command of web development languages such as HTML, CSS, and JavaScript, as well as experience with popular frameworks like React, Angular, or Vue.js. They should also be familiar with backend technologies such as Node.js, Django, or Flask.
- Comprehensive Understanding of Web Architecture: Understanding the fundamentals of web architecture, including client-server communication, HTTP protocol, RESTful APIs, and databases, is essential for a Web Development Trainer. They should be able to explain how different components of web applications work together to create functional and efficient websites.
- Practical experience in building web applications from scratch is crucial for a Web Development Trainer. They should have a portfolio of projects that demonstrate their ability to design, develop, and deploy web applications using industry best practices and standards.
- Experience in teaching or training, whether in a classroom setting or through online platforms.

Expert 3 – Cybersecurity Trainer

- Bachelor's degree in information technology \ Computer Engineering or Science (MBA, PhD degree is an advantage in the technical evaluation).
- should possess a deep understanding of cybersecurity principles, including threat analysis, risk management, cryptography, network security, and secure coding

practices. They should be familiar with common cybersecurity frameworks and standards such as NIST, ISO 27001, and CIS Controls.

- Hands-on experience in cybersecurity operations, incident response, penetration testing, and vulnerability assessment is essential for a Cybersecurity Trainer. They should have a proven track record of identifying and mitigating security risks in various IT environments, including networks, systems, and applications.
- should be proficient in using a wide range of cybersecurity tools and technologies, including firewalls, intrusion detection systems (IDS), antivirus software, encryption tools, and security information and event management (SIEM) systems.
- Experience in teaching or training, whether in a classroom setting or through online platforms.

Expert 4 – Cross-Platform Application Development Trainer

- Bachelor's degree in information technology \ Computer Engineering or Science (MBA, PhD degree is an advantage in the technical evaluation).
- should have expertise in popular cross-platform development frameworks such as React Native, Flutter, Xamarin, or Ionic. should be able to demonstrate proficiency in leveraging these frameworks to build mobile applications that run seamlessly on multiple platforms, including iOS and Android.
- In addition to cross-platform development frameworks, the trainer should have a comprehensive understanding of mobile development technologies, including programming languages (e.g., JavaScript, Dart, C#), mobile UI/UX design principles, and mobile app architecture patterns (e.g., MVC, MVVM)
- Practical experience in building mobile applications for real-world scenarios is essential for a Cross-Platform Application Development Trainer. should have a portfolio of mobile apps that showcase their ability to design, develop, and deploy cross-platform applications that meet performance, scalability, and usability requirements.
- Experience in teaching or training, whether in a classroom setting or through online platforms.

B. Training Tools and Equipment

- The above training package often combines theoretical concepts with hands-on exercises and practical examples to provide participants with a comprehensive understanding and its application in real-world scenarios.
- Thus, the company needs to provide (own \ rent) all the required educational tools and practical training equipment, such as: (150 Laptops, 1 Server).

C. Catering and food Management.

The service provider must provide the following catering services:

- Coffee break

Coffee break estimated quantities: 3300 servings.

- Lunch

Lunch estimated quantities: 3300 meals.

Letter of Interest should be submitted with the following supporting documents:

- a. Introduction of Firm/Company or profile and the Average number of employees and managers for the past three calendar years with their CVs.
- b. A scanned copy of the Company registration in Iraq.
- c. Bank details under the company's name with all details from a local bank (Bank Name, Account Holder, IBAN, Account number, currency).
- d. The company should have the financial capacity to perform the required services and at least 3 annual turnover reports must be provided.
- e. Email to GIZ indicating interest in providing the required services

This EOI is market research to identify service providers with verified technical and financial capacity to perform the services required. GIZ keeps the right for appropriate selection of the best qualified contractor(s).

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All supporting documentation listed above shall be prepared in accordance with the instructions provided and sent by email to Procurement.Iraq@giz.de no later than **Sunday 07.07.2024 at 17:00 local time**. Please insert the subject line as following: EoI Capacity Building Package for the Ministry of Finance

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After the deadline for submission, GIZ will evaluate responses received and will notify eligible participants of the outcome of the evaluation.

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