

## GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

### ENHANCING PRIVATE SECTOR COMPETITIVENESS THROUGH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CARIFORUM-EU EPA

#### GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

The Government of Antigua and Barbuda (GOAB) has received financing by way of a grant from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) pursuant to the CARIFORUM-EU Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA) Standby Facility for Capacity Building under the 10<sup>th</sup> European Development Fund (EDF) in an amount not exceeding the equivalent of two hundred and thirty four thousand, two hundred and fifty-five United States dollars (USD234,255) towards the cost of the Enhancing Private Sector Competitiveness through the Implementation of the CARIFORUM-EU EPA Project. The grant will be administered by the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) and GOAB intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this Grant to eligible payments under contracts procured under this project.

Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of GOAB and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GOAB shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The following consultancy assignments will be procured under the project:

- (a) Consultancy services for Legislative Drafting.
- (b) Consultancy services for the development of a Services Sector Policy and Expansion Plan.

It is expected that these will be procured during the period September 1, 2015 to February 28, 2017.

Consultants from Antigua and Barbuda and other member countries of CDB, as well as EU Member Countries, which are not CDB Member Countries, and other countries which are eligible under EU procurement provisions,<sup>1</sup> will be eligible to participate in these procurement opportunities.

The Office of the National Authorizing Officer, EPA Implementation, The Ministry of Trade, Commerce, Industry, is the Implementing Agency for the project. Further details of the project can be obtained by contacting the address below:

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<sup>1</sup> External action financial instruments and European Development Fund, Rules on participation in procurement procedures and grants, [a2a\\_ecprogrammes\\_eligibility2014\\_2020\\_en.doc](#), page 7 of 11.