

University Grants Commission

Higher Education Reforms Project

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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

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University Grants Commission has launched Higher Education Reforms Project (HERP) with the financial support (soft loan support) of the World Bank with provision to apply part of the fund for consulting services. The consulting services (“the Services”) include Beneficiary Satisfaction Surveys at three stages of the project - a baseline survey in 2016, a mid-line survey in 2018 and an end-line survey in 2020, intended to measure the satisfaction of faculties, students and employers on higher education in Nepal during the HERP intervention.

University Grants Commission now invites eligible consulting firms (“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 short listing criteria include, but not limited to, firm’s core business, qualification in the field of assignment, technical and managerial capabilities, general qualification of key staff, previous accomplishments, commitment to carry out all three surveys within the specified time period and at the specified stages, and willingness to accept the condition that the contract for the second and third surveys shall be subject to the Commission’s satisfaction with the performance of the consultant at the preceding surveys.

Consultant will be selected in accordance with Consultants Qualification Selection (CQS) as prescribed in the World Bank’s procurement procedure. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank’s ‘Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants by World Bank Borrowers (“Consultant Guidelines”), January 2011 (revised in July 2014).

This invitation is open for all including public and private firms, who would provide the services alone or through a joint venture or a sub-consultancy with other firms.

The details of the consultancy services and the selection criteria are presented in the “Terms and Conditions for the Service” available at www.ugcnepal.edu.np or at the office of University Grants Commission. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

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 24/12/2015.

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