



University Grants Commission

Higher Education Reforms Project
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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES - FIRMS SELECTION)

NEPAL

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Assignment Title: Evaluation of Higher Education Reforms Project (HERP 2014-2020)

Reference No.: HERP/UGC/S/QCBS-01/076/77

Government of Nepal (GoN) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Higher Education Reforms Project (HERP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services. The consulting services ("the Services") include Evaluation of Higher Education Reforms Project (HERP 2014- 2020) into six different thematic areas, intended to evaluate the project on higher education in Nepal during the HERP intervention.

University Grants Commission (UGC) 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 and commitment to carry out thematic areas (a. Accreditation b. Effectiveness of formula-based/performance based funding. c. Autonomy d. Quality reform of higher education institutions. e. Poverty target approach f. Academic excellence and research) within the specified time period and at the specified stages.

Consultant will be selected in accordance with Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) 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 5:00 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 10/10/2019.

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