

Dear Members of the Diplomatic Community,

*Further to the Note Verbal dated 21 February 2019, this is to inform you that the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the general construction contract for the Seismic Mitigation Project will be published on **Friday 31 May 2019**.*

Following approval of the UN General Assembly in August 2016 for the Seismic Mitigation Project (SMP) for the UNESCAP Premises in Bangkok, UNESCAP seeks to engage qualified construction companies for the implementation of the construction works defined in the SMP. Since this will be a high dollar value contract with multiple stages, the construction works shall be implemented in several phases. Kindly note that all works shall be conducted and delivered at the United Nations Building, Rajadamnern Nok Avenue, Bangkok, Thailand.

*In accordance with the UN Rules and Regulations, UNESCAP would like to ensure transparency, fairness and open competition. As such, it would be very much appreciated if the Member States could kindly disseminate this information among your network of firms **prior to the formal issuance of the RFP on 31 May 2019**.*

Construction companies interested in participating in this formal solicitation exercise ideally shall comply with the following requirements:

- To have at least 10 years of experience in refurbishment of office, commercial or similar buildings including structural retrofit
- To be able to operate and provide construction services in Thailand
- To have extensive construction experience in the South Asia Pacific region (desirable)
- To have experience in refurbishment/construction services in buildings
- To have experience in refurbishment of buildings in operation (desirable)

Interested potential companies with the above qualifications/criteria are welcome to contact our Chief Procurement Officer, Mr. Rury Molina at email molina3@un.org or UNESCAP Division of Administration at email ESCAP-DA@un.org.

With best regards,

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The secretariat of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) presents its compliments to the Member States of the United Nations and has the honour to refer to its briefing on 20 January 2017 on the “Seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project” delivered at the 368th session of the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission.

The secretariat has begun the procurement process for the various services required for the implementation of this project and has the pleasure to inform the Member States of the United Nations of related business opportunities for companies in the Asia and Pacific region.

To this effect, the posting of an Expression of Interest (EOI) for the general construction contract for the Seismic Mitigation Project will be published on 25 February 2019 in the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) website at www.ungm.org.

The EOI calls on qualified companies and architecture and engineering firms to express their interest and register in the UNGM so that they can be considered and included in the future solicitation that ESCAP will issue for the project.

In this regard the secretariat would highly appreciate it if the Member States could kindly disseminate this EOI among your network of firms. Please note that the ESCAP Procurement Unit is available to provide support to any interested firm in registering in the UNGM portal.

The secretariat of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Member States of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.



21 February 2019

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