MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Title:	Individual Consultant – Social Safeguards Specialist
Location:	Tarawa, Kiribati Kiribati Outer Island Transport Infrastructure Investment Project (KOITIIP) Ministry of Finance and Economic Development (MFED)
Duration:	Two years with possible extension.

1. Introduction:

The Republic of Kiribati has received a grant from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the World Bank (WB) for the Kiribati Outer Island Transport Infrastructure Investment Project (KOITIIP). The Government of Kiribati (GOK) would like to use part of the grant to engage a consultant to perform the role of the Social Safeguard Specialist. The assignment is for two years, and the performance of the consultant will be reviewed annually against the agreed deliverables and work plans.

2. OBJECTIVES:

The primary objective of the Consultant is to ensure that the KOITIIP is implemented in accordance with the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) focusing on the social standards and the Resettlement Framework (RF) developed during the Project design phase. The Consultant is also required to ensure that all activities under KOITIIP follow the Safeguard requirements of the ADB, WB, and MELAD. The Social Safeguards Specialist will be supported by the KFSU Safeguards team.

1. **Expertise Requirements:** The Consultant shall have the following knowledge, experience, and qualifications:
    I. The Consultant should at least have degree in social sciences, politics, economics, development studies or similar qualification from a recognized institution, or equivalent relevant operational qualification.
    II. Experience in liaising and collaborating with government and external stakeholders.
    III. Experience working on women and youth empowerment, stakeholder engagement and land rights is desirable.
    IV. It will be an advantage if the candidate has proven experience with World Bank or Asian Development Bank-financed projects.

Terms of Reference:
The Term of Reference is available upon request to the following staff:

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The attention of interested applicants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Applications must be addressed to the Secretary, the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development and should include a covering letter, resume, and professional work references. All applications must be submitted via email before 5.00 pm, 8th September 2023 to the following staff:

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Late applications may not be considered.