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**REQUEST FOR AN EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL CONSULTANCY
REOI - Nº 001/2018 – ToR Nº 55**

Brazil

Energy and Mineral Sectors Strengthening Project - META

Loan No. 8095-BR

Project ID No. P126537

Title: SUPPORT STUDIES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ACTION PLAN FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY POLICIES IN BRAZIL

Reference Nº.: Term of Reference Nº 55

On March 1, 2012, both Federative Republic of Brazil and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) signed the Loan Agreement No. 8095-BR. The agreement's objectives are to finance the 1st Phase of the Energy and Mineral Sectors Strengthening Project (META), and to allot part of the financial resources to the hiring of expert technical consultancies.

This Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) aims to receive Expression of Interest (EOI) to hire the following consultancy: *Support Studies for the Development of an Action Plan for Energy Efficiency Policies in Brazil*.

The required timeline for completion of the work is 180 (one hundred and eighty) days, counting from the issuance of the Service Order, as specified in item 7 of the Term of Reference.

The Energy Research Office (EPE) now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the services according to META Project's ToR No. 55, which is currently available on the following website link: <http://epe.gov.br/sites-pt/acao-a-informacao/licitacoes-e-contratos/Paginas/SMI-0012018--TDR-55.aspx>

Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualification and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria and procedures are the following:

Table 1. Shortlisting criteria.

CRITERIA		TYPE	MAXIMUM SCORE
1.	BASIC REQUISITES		
1.1	Elaboration of study related to energy efficiency public policies.	Elimination	N/A
2.	SPECIFIC QUALIFICATIONS		
2.1	Elaboration of study with diagnosis of energy efficiency public policies in the sectors included in the Term of Reference (8 points assigned to each of the five topics: household, buildings, industry, transports and cross-sector measures)	Qualifying	40
2.2	Elaboration of study containing proposals for regulatory instruments and / or public policies in the energy sector.	Qualifying	30
2.3	Elaboration of a regulatory impact study (<i>ex-ante</i>) of public policies.	Qualifying	15
2.4	Elaboration of study with strategy for implementation of governmental actions, including methodology for monitoring and evaluation of results.	Qualifying	15
TOTAL			100

Note: The minimum score required for classification is 70% (seventy percent) of the total points (Maximum Score: 100)

Tiebreak Criteria:

- 1) It is considered technical tied when the Consultant scores the same punctuation after the evaluation of the SPECIFIC QUALIFICATIONS;
- 2) In case of the situation described in item 1), the tiebreak criteria will follow the given order:
 - Institution with the best score in sub-item 2.1, maintaining the tie;
 - Institution with the best score in sub-item 2.2, maintaining the tie;
 - Institution with the best score in sub-item 2.3, maintaining the tie;
 - Institution with the best score in sub-item 2.4.

Attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants \[under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants\] by World Bank Borrowers](#) edited in January 2011 (“Consulting Guidelines”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest, as well as to paragraph 1.11 to 1.13, on which the eligibility boundaries are set for the participation on the selection process. In case of a consultant bounded to paragraph 1.13 (b), the demanded statements should be comprised in the EOI. Consultants that fail to present the proper documentation are subjected to elimination of the selection process.

Consultants may associate with other organizations in the form of joint venture or sub consultancies to enhance their qualifications in order to execute the requirements of the study, as stipulated in the item 1.15 of the above-mentioned World Bank’s “Consulting Guidelines”. In case of the formation of a joint venture, the letter of presentation heading the EOI must highlight the leader of the joint venture, the country where the firm is legally registered; its legal representative and his/hers contact information.

This REOI does not indicate an obligation for hiring contract. Selection of the Consultant will be in accordance with the Quality-and-cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the above-mentioned “Consulting Guidelines”.

Applicants must submit expressions of interest (EOI) in a written form, in an envelope, (sent either in person or by postal mail), until 5:00 pm, 09th March, 2018, to the following address:

ATT: Empresa de Pesquisa Energética – EPE
A/C Licitações - “Project META – TOR n° 55”
Av. Rio Branco, 1, 9° andar
CEP: 20.090.003 - Rio de Janeiro/RJ, Brasil.

Interested applicants may request further information either by telephone call (during office hours, from 09:00 am to 5:00 pm, Brasilia Time) or by e-mail:

Phone: +55 21 3512-3160

E-mail: editais@epe.gov.br

Candidate consulting firms must either post or hand out the aforementioned envelope with the following title: Projeto META – ToR N° 55. Material appended are the following: company’s letterhead paper (letter of presentation) expressing the institution’s interest in executing the services, properly signed by its legal representative, and present documents – brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions among others – able to demonstrate the qualifications and experiences required by this selection process. The contents of the envelope must be limited to the information attained in the REOI. The attached information must be relevant to the Term of Reference’s object, and it is limited to 30 (thirty) pages. Information in reference of Consultant members shall be sent in a subsequence phase of the process.