The Government of Timor-Leste (GoTL) has requested a loan of $135.0 million from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to finance the PNLIA (Presidente Nicolau Lobato International Airport) Expansion Project, in Dili, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, non-consulting services and consulting services to be procured under this project. An amount of US$30.0 million will be financed by the GoTL as part of counterpart financing for the project.

The project will include the following components:

1. GoTL will conduct one competitive bidding process including a pre-qualification stage, to select a qualified and experienced contractor to Design and Build the extension of the Runway from 1.850m to 2.100m, new Taxiways, a new Air Traffic Control Tower, Apron and other ancillary facilities (the Project).

2. GoTL will conduct one competitive bidding process to select a qualified and experienced Construction Supervision Consultant to supervise the construction for the extension of the Runway from 1.850m to 2.100m, new Taxiways, a new Air Traffic Control Tower, Apron and other ancillary facilities (the Project).

Procurement of projects financed by the ADB will be conducted through the procedures as specified in the ADB’s Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers for Goods, Works, Non-consulting and Consulting Services (2017, as amended from time to time) and is open to all eligible firms as defined in the Procurement Regulations.


It is the intent of the Government of Timor Leste, through the Ministry of Transport to seek firms’ letters of interest from all parties interested in the 1/ design and build and 2/ construction supervision of the above-mentioned projects. Interested eligible contractors for item 1 and consulting firms for item 2 who would wish to be considered for the provision of works and consulting services as described above mentioned projects, should submit a written, yet non-binding Letter of Interest (“LOI“) including a brief profile of their firms highlighting relevant qualifications, experience in similar assignments, financial resources, and implementation plan considering the COVID-19 pandemic to pursue the Projects, to the email addresses below:

Mr. Jose Abel: jabel@mof.gov.tl
Coordinator of the Inter-Ministerial Working Group (IMWG) for PNLIA Development, Ministry of Finance

With CC to:

Ms. Chaorin Shim: cshim@adb.org

Mr. Vitor Paiva: vpaiva@mof.gov.tl

In case the LOI and relevant information to be submitted exceeds 10mb, please submit with a link to download the relevant documents instead of attaching them to the email.

Contractors are encouraged to associate with other contractors in order to enhance their qualifications.

The LOI should be signed by an authorized representative and should be received at the emails above by June, 12, 2021 before 5pm Timor-Leste time.