

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE
RESILIENT RURAL BELIZE PROGRAMME FOR THE PERIOD 2020/21**



Project Name: Resilient Rural Belize Programme

Financing Institution: International Fund for Agricultural Development

Title: Specific Procurement Notice

Procurement Type: Consulting Services

Loan/Credit/Grant Financing No: 2000002301

Submission Deadline: March 11, 2021 at 2:00p.m.

Project Background: The Government of Belize (GOB), through financing agreements for financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and the Green Climate Fund (GCF), has embarked on a six-year Programme, Resilient Rural Belize (RRB), which aims to minimize the impacts of climatic and economic events on smallholder farmers while supporting sustainable market access for their produce. The Programme will help farmers employ climate resilient agricultural practices and technologies; integrate profitable smallholder participation into the development of select vegetable, fruit, and honey value chains; and support smallholder production capacity through investments in public and private climate resilient infrastructure and in the strengthening of small holder farmer Producers Organizations and relevant GOB Departments.

The Programme is being managed by a Programme Management Unit (PMU), which is being hosted by the Ministry of Agriculture while the Ministry of Finance, Economic Development and Investment serves as the Lead Programme Agency. The Programme has two main components: 1) Climate Resilient Value Chains Development – to introduce/strengthen smallholder participation in select value chains through the promotion of climate resilient production methods, product diversification, and related innovations; and 2) Climate Resilient Rural Infrastructure and Assets Development – to support climate resilient productivity and improved market access through rehabilitation and provision of new road, drainage, and irrigation infrastructure in priority areas.

The Resilient Rural Belize (RRB) Programme now invites Auditing Firms to submit proposals for the provision of consulting services for the Audit of the Resilient Rural Belize (RRB) Programme for the period 2020/21

A Consulting Firm will be selected in accordance with the procurement procedures set out by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications. Note that all consulting firms must specify their nationality. The nationality of a firm is that of the country in which it is legally incorporated or constituted and in the case of Joint Venture, the nationality of the firm appointed to represent it.

Interested consulting firms can request the RFP Package at the below address or email during office hours 8:00am to 5:00pm.

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