REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines Caribbean Regional Communications Infrastructure Program (CARCIP) Credit No.: 5118-VC Assignment Title: Grants Manager Reference No.: SVGCARCIP – C – IC - 7

The **Government of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines** has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Caribbean Regional Communications Infrastructure Program, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") will see the **Grants Manager** being responsible for implementation of the skills training and business incubation grants sub-component of the CARCIP with duties including general management, managing the grants and award process and the grant implementation. The services will be contracted for two years.

The Central Planning Division, in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning now invites eligible consulting individuals ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants must submit their expressions of interest, CV and provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (eg. Descriptions of similar assignments, experiences in similar conditions, references, etc.). The consultant should have a Bachelor's degree in business or related field; a minimum of 5 years experience in the delivery of business development services; at least 2 years experience in managing grants or similar technical assistance; ability to manage beneficiaries; experience with business continuity plans and procedures and business case development.

The 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* January 2011 ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Individual Consultant** method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 8:00am to 4:00pm. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by 4:00 pm EST August 29th, 2014.

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