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GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

COUNTRY: Republic of Cabo Verde

NAME OF PROJECT: Resilient Tourism and Blue Economy Development in Cabo Verde

PRACTICE AREA / SECTOR: Public and Private Sector

Credit No: 71260

Project ID No. P176981

The Government of Cabo Verde has negotiated with the World Bank a financing, in the amount of US\$35.0 million equivalent, toward the cost of the project Resilient Tourism and Blue Economy Development in Cabo Verde, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds for the payment of consulting services, goods, works and non-consulting services to be procured under this project. This project will be jointly financed by IDA and the trust fund PROBLUE MDTF.

The project includes the following components:

Component 1: Develop integrated and resilient tourism and blue economy infrastructure

Component 2: Enhance inclusive and sustainable management of tourism in a blue

economy

Component 3: Project Implementation Support

Component 4: Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC)

Component 1: Develop integrated and resilient tourism and blue economy infrastructure.

This component consists of subprojects designed to improve the quality of tourism-relevant infrastructure in selected sites. Proposed infrastructure upgrades will focus on strengthening and upgrading infrastructure to better preserve existing assets and build their resilience to natural hazards and climate change, as well as broadening the tourism offering and create a conducive environment for future private sector investment. Investments will target the development of key tourism assets and sites in emerging high-growth segments in selected destinations. All proposed investments will include climate and gender criteria in planning, prioritization, and design.

i) Upgrade integrated tourism and fisheries coastal infrastructure;

- ii) Improve accessibility to tourism sites;
- iii) Rehabilitate trekking trails and cultural heritage and visitor centers,
- iv) Develop a strategy and action plan to enhance international and inter-island intermodal connectivity.

Component 2: Enhance inclusive and sustainable management of tourism and blue economy.

This Component will support local SMEs to increase participation in the tourism and blue economy value chains, whilst also supporting a better enabling environment and policies to stimulate additional private sector investment in these segments. It will include the following activities:

- i) Support entrepreneurship and SME development in the tourism and fisheries value chains;
- ii) Support enabling policies and programs to increase sustainable private sector investment in tourism and other blue economy sectors.

Component 3: Project Implementation Support.

This component will provide support to the UGPE for the management and implementation of the project. It will support incremental expenses related to the hiring of staff for the Unit of Management of Special Projects (UGPE) as well as capacity building and technical assistance to relevant ministries.

Component 4: Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC).

This component will be a Contingent Emergency Response Component (CERC) to enable a speedy response to future crises if needed.

Under the project, contracts shall be procured for the following activities:

Procurement of Consulting Services:

- Detailed urban plan (study) for the historic center of `Cidade Velha`, according to UNESCO guidelines (IPC, INGT, CMRGS;
- Development of a strategy and action plan for enhanced international and inter-island intermodal connectivity;
- Technical assistance to sustainable fishing practices and sanitary conditions of seafood handling;
- Origin Certification/Labelling Feasibility Study;
- Contracting an international market representation firm (for the first 18 month of the project), to support ITCV's marketing effort in selected/prioritized European source market(s);
- Support the first edition of the Ocean Race layover in Mindelo in early 2023;
- Drafting of 3 Coastal Zone Plans, for Sal (1), S. Vicente (1) and Santiago (1);
- Accounting and Financing audit of the Project;

Procurement of Works:

Rehabilitation of a section 8 km of main road connecting Espargos and Santa Maria – Sal.

Procurement of contracts financed by the World Bank will be conducted through the procedures as specified in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers fourth edition November 2020, the 'Guidelines on Preventing and Combating Fraud and Corruption in Projects Financed by IBRD Loans and IDA Credits and Grants', dated October 15, 2006, and revised in January 2011, and other provisions stipulated in the Financing Agreement, and is open to all eligible firms and individuals as defined in the Procurement Regulations. After project negotiations, the World Bank shall arrange the publication on its external website of the agreed initial procurement plan and all subsequent updates once it has provided a no objection.

Specific procurement notices for contracts subject to open international competitive procurement will be announced, as they become available, in <u>UN Development Business</u> online, on the World Bank's external website and national in newspaper of national circulation in the Borrower's country and in the following websites: <u>www.mf.gov.cv</u>, <u>https://ugpe.gov.cv/.</u>

Interested eligible firms and individuals who would wish to be considered to participate in the provision of goods, works, non-consulting services and consulting services for the above mentioned project, or those requiring additional information, should contact the Borrower at the address below:

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