REQUEST OF EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR HIRING A CONSULTANT FOR A STUDY ON THE PROJECT EVALUATION METHODS AND PROJECT OUTCOMES OF DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE IN RWANDA

The Embassy of Japan in Rwanda hereby requests capable consultancy firms to submit the expressions of interest for conducting the study below.

1. Study information

Country: Rwanda

Study Name: A Study on The Project Evaluation Methods and The Project Outcomes of

Development Assistance in Rwanda

Sector: Development Assistance

2. Introduction

The Government of Rwanda (GoR) allocates sectors to development partners according to the Division of Labor (DoL), and under the initiative of the GoR, each sector holds the Joint Sector Review (JSR) in order to verify the progresses of its development targets jointly with development partners. In addition, information on how development partners evaluate projects from their policy perspectives would be helpful for Japan to conduct projects more effectively in this country.

3. Objective of the study

The objective of the study is to analyze methods of project evaluation employed by main development partners in Rwanda and their project outcomes at the policy level. The outcomes of the study are expected to be effectively utilized for the formulation and implementation of Japan's future projects, which should be aligned with GoR's policies.

4. Content and period of the study

(1) Content

The consultancy firm will conduct interviews with development partners in Rwanda designated by the Embassy of Japan, as well as acquire and study the project evaluation reports of each development partner in detail. On the basis of obtained information, the consultancy firm will marshal development partners' project evaluation from policy perspectives and compare and analyze their evaluation methods and project outcomes. Finally, the consultancy firm will make recommendations for effectively conducting development assistance, (including technical cooperation and grant projects,) in

accordance with GoR's policies.

(2) Study Period

3 months

4. Required competencies

The consultancy firm should well understand the frameworks of development assistance in Rwanda and sectors allocated to main development partners. Also the consultancy firm needs skills and capacities to conduct interviews in either English or French, and to prepare a final report (either written in English or Japanese) based on the results of the interviews and the literature reviews. The adequate number of commissioned persons is between 2 to 3, and at least they are required to have master's degrees in related fields.

5. Submission of the Expression of Interest

The deadline for the submission of expressions of interest is on 21^{st} August 2012 to the following address:

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Interested consultancy firms may receive the proposal format after sending the expression of interest. Based on proposals submitted, a consultancy firm will be selected. Further details will be obtained from the above address.