



ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT
MINISTRY OF STATE FOR ANTIQUITIES

Selection of Consultants
Invitation for Expression of Interest
Enhancing the Value of Saqqara Archaeological Site

Conducting Site Management, Training and Setting Visitation Routing and Facilities for Saqqara Site in Egypt

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Government of Egypt has received financial assistance from the French Development Agency (AFD) towards the cost of the project, "Enhancing the Value of Saqqara Archeological Site," and will use part of the proceeds in the provision of the following consultancy services: conducting site management, training and setting visitation routing and facilities for Saqqara.

The Egyptian Ministry of State for Antiquities (MSA) invites consulting firms to indicate their interest in providing these services (see the following summary) by the submission of supporting information (brochures, descriptions of similar assignments, experience in similar operating conditions, availability of appropriate professional qualifications and experience among staff, etc.) demonstrating their ability to provide the required services. Applicants may associate with other applicants to enhance their qualifications.

Comprehensive details of the desired consultancy services will be provided by the Terms of Reference at a later stage of the selection process.

A Consultant or a group of Consultants will be selected through the QCBS method and procedures following a Request for Proposals (RFP), in accordance with the latest Procurement Rules and Regulations enforced by the government of the Arab Republic of Egypt. Only short listed firms will be contacted to participate in the bidding process.

Your Expression of Interest is to be submitted at the latest by 12 noon, June 22, 2011, to the following email addresses:

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SUMMARY

Project Title: "ENHANCING THE VALUE OF SAQQARA ARCHEOLOGICAL SITE"

Purpose of the project: Preservation, site management and valorisation of Saqqara Archaeological Site (Memphis and its Necropolis).

Content of the consultancy services

1. Site Management Planning

- Preparing a Conceptual Site Management Plan (SMP) of the area within and around the site of the Saqqara pyramids and its buffer zone (SMP Site) that includes and prescribes, but is not limited to, the following components:

An overview of existing conditions: a land and area plan; vision and strategy;

reviewed value and significance; risk analysis and preparedness measures; visitation proposals; priority conservation and maintenance measures; sustainability and capacity building measures; conceptual architectural designs for proposed routing, itinerary and facilities; a communication plan and pilot promotional material.

- Preparing a Visitation Plan (VP) for the area within and around the Step Pyramid complex of Djoser (VP Site) that prescribes, but is not limited to, the following:

A review of existing conditions; a future site visitation plan; comprehensive risk analysis and risk preparedness measures; recommendations for lighting and night use; detailed architectural design of selected elements, facilities and installations; measures to control the deterioration of monuments and justified priority planning to implement the VP.

- Preparing the designs and installation of 20 Visitation Panels, including -

Setting the location; creating the design and specifications; following tendering, production and installation.

2. On-the-job Training on Site Management

- Preparing syllabi and conducting on-the-job training for selected MSA officials and Inspectors of the Saqqara site (the training will be linked to the preparation of the SMP and VP); assisting in the selection of trainees and in integrating MSA assistant trainers, selected associated French archaeologists operating on the site; conducting the training; preparing and submitting training evaluation, manuals and reports.