Expressions of Interest Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka Ministry of Education

Name of Procuring Entity: The Open University of Sri Lanka

<u>Title of the Consultancy Service – Appointing a Senior Academic Consultant</u> (<u>Individual Consultant</u>) for Center for Environmental Studies & Sustainable Development (CESSD).

The Vice Chancellor on behalf of the Open University of Sri Lanka invites proposal or Curriculum Vitae (CV) to provide the above consultancy services from eligible individual consultants. More details on the services to be provided are appeared in the Terms of Reference (See Annexure-I).

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Guidelines for Selection and Employment of Consultants, published by National Procurement Commission.

Interested consultants may obtain further information from Director, Center for Environmental Studies & Sustainable Development (CESSD) through 0112881456 or Senior Assistant Registrar, Capital Works and Planning through 00112881286 of The Open University of Sri Lanka, Nawala, Nugegoda from 11.01.2023 to 18.01.2023 at 9.00 am to 3.00 pm.

The proposals or CVs to provide the above consultancy services must be delivered to the address below on or before 18.01.2023 at 4.00 pm.

Chairman

The Department Procurement Committee Capital Works & Planning Division The Open University of Sri Lanka

Tel: 0112881286

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Terms of Reference (TOR)

Senior Academic Consultant for the Centre for Environmental Studies and Sustainable Development (CESSD)

Expertise: Environmental Management, Sustainable Development, Climate Change, GHG

Emission Reduction

Time period: Six Months

Qualifications and experiences:

- PhD in the area related to Environmental Studies and Sustainable Development AND with a BSc Degree from a recognized university
- Experience in teaching and research under the designations of Professor/ Associate Professor/Senior Lecturer Grade 1, over ten years, including excellent publication record
- Prior experience in handling CSR projects or Sustainability related projects and nationally important Projects
- Special consideration will be given to the person who is with the experience of Working towards any sustainable global ranking system

TOR Keywords: Environmental Management and Sustainability, Climate Change and Research, UI Green Metric Ranking, MSc Program, International Conference

Objective and Purpose of the Assignment

This assignment aims to enhance sustainability at OUSL, which is to be streamlined under three broad categories; education and research, sustainable green University (sustainability on campus operations), and extension & outreach, and to pitch the OUSL brand name on the national and international levels.

Scope of Work

Development of an MSc programme in collaboration with international partnerships for interdisciplinary studies, including climate change mitigation and adaptation/ environmental sustainability. In addition, the consultant will provide the necessities for establishing a Climate Change research unit at the CESSD for international collaborative research and for acquiring global funds.

Detailed Tasks and Expected Output

The consultant will mainly undertake the following tasks:

- 1. Contribute to developing and implementing a Master's degree program/s related to agriculture/climate change/environmental management & sustainability after conducting a need analysis.
- 2. Pitch the University's brand name in terms of sustainability by streamlining activities under UN Sustainable Development Goals.
- 3. Conduct extension and outreach programs to contribute to national sustainable development and collaborate with industries to improve private partnerships in environmental management and sustainable development
- 4. Organize a Conference related to climate change and sustainability with national, and international partnerships
- 5. Advise and prepare proposals for upgrading the UI Green Metric Ranking of OUSL and applying for Times Ranking
- 6. Support to developing of sustainability-related academic courses/programmes of the CESSD

Disbursement of consultancy fees

The monthly allowance of Rs125,000.00 is recommended after evaluating the reports based on the task allocated for each month submitted to the Director/CESSD. In addition, the Senior Academic Consultant is expected to be present at the University for general working days.