

**CARIBBEAN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE**  
**DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTEGRATED DISEASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME FOR**  
**BLACK SIGATOKA DISEASE**

**CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR A PLANT PATHOLOGIST**

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

The Caribbean Agricultural Research and Development Institute (CARDI) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in an amount equivalent to US\$625,000 towards the cost of a Project entitled: “Development of an Integrated Disease Management (IDM) Programme for Black Sigatoka Disease in Guyana, Dominica, St. Vincent and the Grenadines and St. Lucia” and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under a contract for which this invitation is issued. Payments by CDB will be made only at the request of CARDI and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than CARDI shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

CARDI, the Executing Agency, now wishes to procure consultancy services for a **Plant Pathologist**.

The objective of the consultancy is to assist CARDI in the development of an IDM framework for BSD control in the Dominica, Guyana, St Lucia and St Vincent and the Grenadines. The Plant Pathologist will also serve as Project Coordinator. The duration of the assignment is expected to be for a period of 30 months.

CARDI now invites interested eligible individual consultants to submit Expressions of Interest for the provision of these consultancy services.

Consultants shall be eligible to participate if:

- (a) the persons are citizens or *bona fide* resident or residents of an eligible country; and
- (b) in all cases, the consultant has no arrangement and undertakes not to make any arrangements, whereby any substantial part of the net profits or other tangible benefits of the contract will accrue or be paid to a person not a citizen or *bona fide* resident of an eligible country.

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB.

In the assessment of submissions, consideration will be given to technical competence, qualifications and experience on similar assignments, and existing commitments. All information must be submitted in English. Further information may be obtained from the first address below between 08:00 and 17:00 hours Monday to Friday.

Two hard copies of the Expressions of Interest must be received at the first address below no later than 17:00 hours on Friday, May 31, 2014 and one hard copy must be sent simultaneously to CDB at the second address below. The sealed envelope containing each submission should include the name and address of the applicant and shall be clearly marked “**Expression of Interest – Consultancy Services for a Plant Pathologist**”

Following the assessment of submissions, the most technically capable and appropriately experienced applicant will be invited to negotiate a contract to provide the consultancy services. CARDI reserves the right to accept or reject late applications or to cancel the present invitation partially or in its entirety. It will not be bound to assign any reason for not short-listing any applicant and will not defray any costs incurred by any applicant in the preparation and submission of Expressions of Interest.

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