INVEST-HONDURAS RFP/ACS/USAID/QCBS/01-2014 Implementation of "Alianza para el Corredor Seco" Activity (ACS-USAID)

The Government of Honduras (the "Government" or "GOH") through Inversión Estratégica de Honduras (INVEST-H) and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) have signed an Implementation Letter (IL No. 007) issued under the Assistance Agreement #522-0470, to achieve high-level Feed the Future Initiative goals through the implementation of an integrated package of technologies and services that includes, but is not limited to: providing technical assistance and training on good agriculture and management practices; facilitating rural financial services; linking farmers to markets; providing training to families on nutrition and health care practices; upgrading sanitary conditions of homes; and adapting to climate change effects, in order to address food insecurity and malnutrition in the Dry Corridor of Honduras.

The Alianza para el Corredor Seco (ACS) USAID zone of influence (ZOI) includes several municipalities primarily the southern region of the departments of La Paz, Intibucá, and Lempira. The Government, acting through INVEST-H, intends to apply a portion of the ACS-USAID funding to eligible payments under a contract, for which this Request for Proposals is issued. Any payments made under the proposed contract will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the IL No. 007 and related documents, including restrictions on the use of USAID funding and conditions to the disbursements of USAID funding (Supplementary Standard Provisions).

Within the Alianza para el Corredor Seco (ACS), USAID will fund an Activity that will move families out of poverty and reduce stunting of children in the ACS-USAID ZOI. INVEST-H now invites entities to provide the consultant services referenced above. More details on these consultant services are provided in the Terms of Reference which are an integral part of The Request for Proposal documents (See the RFP documents in the following websites www.honducompras.gov.hn or https://www.mcahonduras.hn).

This RFP is open to all eligible Consultants who wish to respond. Consultants may associate¹ with other entities constituting a joint venture or in a sub-consultancy agreement to complement their respective areas of expertise to enhance their capacity to successfully carry out the assignment.

A Consultant will be selected under the Quality and Cost-Based Selection method (QCBS); the evaluation procedure is described in the RFP. Consultants interested in submitting a Proposal shall request RFP Documents in writing to the following e-mail acsusaidconsultant@mcahonduras.hn, giving full contact details contacting to the General Director of INVEST-H.

Proposals must be submitted no later than 10:00 a.m. (Local time) on October 10 of 2014. Proposals received after this time and date shall not be considered and will be returned unopened. Consultants should be aware that distance and customs formalities might require longer than expected delivery time.

Best regards,

General Director INVEST-Honduras

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¹ In accordance to the terms of the RFP