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Bids and Awards Committee BAC Resolution No. <u>66</u> Series of 2018

Resolution Recommending Award of Contract for the Provision of Consulting Services to: 1) The All-Asian Centre for Enterprise Development (ASCEND), Inc. –for the Implementation of Agri Enterprise Projects in 11 Agrarian Reform Communities (ARC) Clusters in ARCP II-assisted Provinces; and 2) Asia Society for Social Improvement and Sustainable Transformation (ASSIST)- for the conduct of Knowledge Management Activities on Agri-Enterprise Projects in 11 Agrarian Reform Communities (ARC) Clusters in ARCP II-assisted Provinces under the ARCP II Project

WHEREAS, on 9 November 2017, the BAC approved the result of the short listing evaluation undertaken by the End-User/Procuring Unit FAPsO/ARCP II- NPCO with the BAC-TWG, and recommended for the HOPE's approval the short listed consulting firms (refer to Annex "A" BAC Resolution No. 26 series of 2017 for the shortlisted bidders);

WHEREAS, on 20 December 2017, the schedule of submission and opening of technical proposals, only one short listed consulting firm (ASCEND) submitted proposals for contract no.1 while two (2) consulting firms (ASCEND & ASSIST) submitted proposals for contract no. 2, and based on the result of the preliminary examination of documents submitted, all qualified for the detailed evaluation of the technical proposals (refer to Annex "B" abstract of bid proposal submission);

WHEREAS, on 22 December 2017, the End-User representatives and the BAC-TWG presented the results of the detailed evaluation of the technical proposals which were submitted to the Asian Development Bank (ADB) (refer to Annex "C" technical proposal evaluation result);

WHEREAS, on 10 January 2018, the ADB issued its "No Objection Letter" (NOL) on the results of the evaluation of technical proposals and advised DAR to proceed with the opening of the financial proposals (refer to Annex "D" ADB's NOL);

WHEREAS, on 24 January 2018, the financial proposals of the bidders that passed the technical evaluation were opened and evaluated using the Guidance Notes on financial evaluation provided by the ADB;

WHEREAS, on 2 February 2018, the End-User representatives and the BAC-TWG presented the results of financial evaluation and upon the instruction of the BAC proceeded with the final evaluation by combining the technical and financial rating to get the over-all ratings of the proposals for submission to ADB for its NOL;

WHEREAS, on 9 February 2018, the BAC, upon receipt of the ADB's "No Objection Letter (NOL)" on the Submission 3 - Financial Proposals Evaluation and Overall Rating of Proposals, recommended to the Head of the Procuring Entity (HOPE) the approval of said over-all rating and the conduct of negotiations with the Single Rated Bidder (SRB) for the Implementation of Agri Enterprise Projects in 11 Agrarian Reform Communities (ARC) Clusters in ARCP II-assisted Provinces, and the Highest Rated Bidder (HRB) for the conduct of Knowledge Management Activities on Agri-Enterprise Projects in 11 Agrarian Reform Communities (ARC) Clusters in ARCP II-assisted Provinces under the ARCP II Project (refer to Annex "E" BAC Resolution No. 02 series of 2018 for the final over-all rating);

WHEREAS, on 15 and 19 February 2018, the BAC with the End-user's representatives, with FASPO Undersecretary Sylvia Mallari as lead Negotiator, conducted negotiation meetings with the SRB and HRB for the above-stated consulting services and successfully concluded the activity with the agreements during negotiations to be incorporated in the draft contract agreement for ADB's concurrence (refer to Annex "F" Minutes of negotiation meeting);

WHEREAS, on 19 February 2018, the BAC accepted the results of negotiations based on the report of the End-User except for the statement that the contract shall start by March 1, 2018. Considering the time needed for the required approvals and the ADB NOL, DAR shall exert best efforts to meet the deadline of March 1 set by ADB;

WHEREAS, the BAC also noted that based on the ADB's Project Administration Instructions No. 2.05 issued in October 2017, after the negotiations, it is not necessary to undertake post-qualification evaluation (refer to Annex "G" copy of Flowchart of Activities for Recruiting Consulting Firms);

WHEREAS, prior to award of contract, the DAR/End-User should first secure ADB's "No Objection Letter" (NOL) on the required Submission 4 (on the draft Contract including results of negotiations and other annexes) in accordance with the ADB procurement guidelines;

WHEREFORE, premises considered, the BAC resolved to recommend to the Head of the Procuring Entity (HOPE) the Award of Contracts, and the immediate issuance of the Notice to Proceed, upon receipt of ADB's NOL on Submission 4, to the following:

Contract	Name of Awardee	Total Contract Amount inclusive of 12% Taxes
Implementation of Agri-Enterprise Projects in 11 Agrarian Reform Communities (ARC) Clusters in ARCP II-assisted Provinces	ASCEND	PhP35,235,200.00
Knowledge Management Activities on Agri-Enterprise Projects in 11 Agrarian Reform Communities (ARC) Clusters in ARCP II-assisted Provinces	ASSIST	PhP 7,345,884.00*

^{*}Taxes indicated in the original proposal of ASSIST was corrected from 10% to 12% per item 8 of the Minutes of Negotiation.

Done this 19th day of February 2018 at the DAR Central Office, Diliman, Quezon City.

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