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Expressions of Interest

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The Government of Sindh is committed to provide quality education to the most underserved of the province. For that purpose the Government has received a loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development towards the cost of Sindh Education Reform Program II (SERP II), and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the contract for Public Private Partnership in Education.

The Sindh Education Foundation, with support from World Bank and the Government of Sindh, is embarking on an initiative for improving access to quality education through cost-effective private schooling model. Under this initiative, in 1st phase 200, in 2nd phase 100, 3rd Phase 185schools & 4th phase undertook last year with 320 PPRS schools have been established through private entrepreneurs selected via an objective merit-based and transparent selection process in 10 districts (Khairpur, Larkana, Kamber-Shahdadkot, Dadu, Shaheed Benazirabad, Sanghar, Badin, Thatta, Umerkot and Mithi) of Sindh Province through the program "Promoting Private Schooling in Rural Sindh" (PPRS).

One of the key components of this program is to provide Quality Education and to ensure this students' assessment mechanism has been introduced by the Sindh Education Foundation. This mechanism will not only ensure the quality of education but also entitle qualified schools to continue getting subsidy from the Government on per child basis.

The Sindh Education Foundation now invites eligible firms those have following capacities may submit their company profiles for short listing.

- The Firm/Company should have relevant experience of 3-5 years in conducting E-marking/Manually marking and result analysis using Item Response Theory (IRT) mechanisms.
- The Firm/Company should have extensive experience and relevant staff to check and analyze the results and content from ECE to Grade 5 (Primary Level).
- A secure and transparent system to ensure confidentiality and secrecy of papers.

The profiles are to be short listed on the basis of their **registration under commercial law, having similar experience, financial strength, litigation status and registration in all tax departments, with having latest technology would be preferred.**

Interested firms must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).

Now the interested firms are required to submit their company profiles before October 24th, 2014. For understanding of requirements, the Details TORs are available at our website www.sef.org.pk.

Firms will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's **Guidelines: Selection and employment of Consultants through Selection Based on the Consultants' Qualification (CQS) method by World Bank Borrowers January 2011.**

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