1. **The Government of Mauritius** has received a grant of an amount of Rs25million from the African Development Bank Group and will apply this grant to eligible payments under a contract for the **Review of the Outline Planning Schemes for Municipal Council Areas**.

2. The island, which comprises four (4) District (Rural) Councils and five (5) Municipal (Urban) Councils, is divided administratively into nine (9) planning authorities. In line with the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1954, the whole island of Mauritius is covered by Outline Schemes, which are statutory local plans. They serve principally as a tool for guiding and controlling development.

3. In 2004, a Consultancy exercise was launched to review the four (4) District (Rural) Outline Planning Schemes within the framework of the proposals and policies contained in the National Development Strategy (NDS of 2003). This assignment has been completed in 2006. The revised District Outline Planning Schemes as well as the NDS are available for consultation on the website of the Ministry (http://housing.gov.mu).

4. The Outline Planning Schemes of the five (5) Municipal (urban) Council Areas, having been prepared in the eighties/early nineties, are all outdated. They also need to be revised within the framework of the NDS.

5. The current consultancy assignment concerns the review of the Outline Planning Schemes for the five (5) Municipal Council Areas. The main objectives of the assignment are to:
   - produce revised local plans for each of the five municipalities in Mauritius.
   - translate the vision, proposals and policies of the NDS to the local township levels and make them economically dynamic and socially inclusive.
   - provide an updated planning framework for the land use planning for the conurbation (made up of the five municipalities) for the next ten years to meet key socio-economic objectives of Government.
   - provide strategies and proposals for urban renewal (urban renaissance) in town centres and in the suburbs.
   - provide the Municipal Councils with guidelines for key land use activities not yet covered in the currently available set of Planning Policy Guidance.
   - propose inter-urban and intra-urban road improvements in the five townships and appropriate linkages to the transport nodes/stations.

6. The advertisement is open to consultants from eligible source countries. The Ministry of Housing & Lands now invites eligible Consultants either solely or in joint venture to indicate their interest in providing the above services by filling in and submitting the forms 1 to 5 which are available at the address below. The forms may also be obtained by e-mail upon request or can be downloaded from the website http://housing.gov.mu.
7. Interested Consultants may obtain further information by contacting the Acting Chief Town & Country Planning Officer at the address below:

   Acting Chief Town & Country Planning Officer  
   Planning Division  
   Ministry of Housing and Lands  
   Strategic Planning & Implementation Unit  
   11th Floor, Victoria House  
   Cnr Barracks & St Louis Streets  
   Port Louis  
   Mauritius  
   Tel: 208 3009 – Fax No. 213-5698  
   Email: rhemoo@mail.gov.mu

8. A short list of five to seven consultants will be compiled in accordance with the procedures set out in the African Development Bank Groups Rules of Procedure for the Use of Consultants.

9. The Request for Proposal documents are expected to be made available to the five to seven short listed consultants in November/December 2008 and the consultancy services for the review of the Outline Planning Schemes for the five (5) Municipal Council Areas are expected to be completed in about 30 months as from the effective date.

10. Written Expressions of Interest in sealed envelopes clearly marked on the top left hand side “Expressions of Interest for Review of the Outline Planning Schemes for Municipal Council Areas” must be delivered by Tuesday 12 August 2008 up to 13.30 hours (local time) at latest, to the following address:-

   The Chairman  
   Central Procurement Board  
   1st Floor, Social Security House  
   Julius Nyerere Road (ex Moka Road)  
   Rose Hill  
   Mauritius

11. Written Expressions of Interest received by facsimile or electronic mail will not be considered.

16 July 2008  

Ministry of Housing and Lands