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<u>Call for Expression of Interest (EOI-2) for the Design and Construction of School of</u>

<u>Nursing (SN), Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS), Accommodation Block and Other Facilities</u>

The Maldives National University (MNU) cordially invites both local and international businesses with a proven track record of financial capability and experience to participate in the design, construction, and development of a proposed site in Hulhumale', Maldives.

MNU is embarking on an ambitious expansion project to establish its School of Nursing, Faculty of Health Sciences, and Accommodation block in Hulhumale to meet the increasing demand for quality education and healthcare services in the region. The project involves designing and constructing academic buildings, accommodation facilities, seminar rooms, an auditorium, laboratories, and other necessary infrastructure to support teaching, research, and administrative functions.

MNU is seeking expressions of interest (EOI) from potential businesses who are enthusiastic about contributing to the design and construction of the facilities mentioned above. Interested parties are encouraged to register their interest by submitting their expressions of interest (EOI), demonstrating their dedication and vision for the design and construction that align with MNU and Maldives' commitment to quality education.

1.0 The Project

The envisioned project involves creating a vibrant Nursing School and Health Sciences Hub in Hulhumale', designed to meet the increasing need for healthcare education while establishing itself as a symbol of excellence in the region. From cutting-edge facilities to pioneering research laboratories, our expansion endeavours to reshape the healthcare education environment.

This endeavour is in harmony with MNU's vision of "nation building" and its strategic objectives, including promoting academic distinction, fostering innovative research, ensuring quality

personnel, maintaining financial sustainability, enhancing community involvement, empowering students for success, and fostering national, regional, and international partnerships.

2.0 Scope of Work

- 1. Designing and constructing academic buildings for the School of Nursing and Faculty of Health Sciences.
- 2. Developing accommodation amenities for both students and faculty members.
- 3. Establishing seminar rooms and auditoriums furnished with advanced audiovisual equipment.
- 4. Crafting specialised laboratories to meet the requirements of health sciences and nursing education.
- 5. Providing administrative assistance services, including office spaces, meeting rooms, and recreational areas.
- 6. Installing essential infrastructure such as power supply, water supply, sewage systems, and telecommunications.
- 7. Incorporating other essential areas and facilities as outlined in the approved plans and infrastructure.

3.0 Design and Construction Considerations

- 1. The facility will comprise six distinct components spanning an area of 69,912.28 sqft (lot 21721): (1) Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS), (2) School of Nursing (SN), (3) Accommodation for students and faculty, (4) Essential state-of-the-art facilities, (5) Auditoriums, conference facilities, and event halls, (6) Childcare area, and (7) Recreational amenities. Construction of student and staff accommodations, as well as academic facilities, will adhere to relevant regulations.
- 2. The building's design and construction will encompass academic amenities such as cutting-edge classrooms equipped with the latest technology, academic structures, laboratories, simulation centres, libraries, clinical skills training facilities, auditoriums, seminar and conference rooms, on-campus housing, dining and leisure facilities, research centres, administrative offices, IT and multimedia centres, fitness and wellness facilities, support services, and green spaces.

4.0 Timeline

Announcement and call for submission of 'Expression of Interest'	09th May 2024 (Thu)
Information session for all interested parties (EOI-2)	28th May 2024 (Tues) @ 10:00 hrs (Maldives Time) Venue: Conference Hall, The Maldives National University, Rahdhebai Magu, Male' 20371, Republic of Maldives You can also join online via https://meet.google.com/aah-gdwe-ffd
Deadline for the submission of 'Expression of Interest'	24th June 2024 (Mon) @ 23:59 hrs (Maldives Time) Email to projects@mnu.edu.mv

5.0 Eligibility

- Experience in effectively executing real estate ventures and large-scale construction and infrastructure development projects, particularly in the healthcare or education sectors, is preferred.
- 2. Investors showcasing proven financial capacity, encompassing both domestic and international entities, are encouraged to participate.

6.0 Evaluation Process

- The submission of an Expression of Interest (EOI) does not imply a solicitation. MNU
 retains the right to adjust or cancel requirements at any stage of the EOI or solicitation
 process. Thus, submitting an EOI does not guarantee automatic consideration for the
 solicitation upon its issuance.
- Upon receipt of expressions of interest, an initial assessment will be conducted, considering the background and capabilities of the involved parties, to identify potential candidates.

3. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for detailed discussions, site inspections, and will receive a Request for Proposals based on the discussions conducted. Selected parties may also propose business models that align with their preferences.

7.0 Composition of EOI

- A cover letter detailing the designated contact person for the project (name, address, telephone number, email address of the applicant). This individual must be authorised to sign legal agreements and make contractual decisions on behalf of the firm.
- 2. Information about the individual, firm, company, or consortium, including profiles, expertise, and resource capacity.
- 3. Brief profiles of senior management personnel.

Documentation demonstrating experience in financing and executing projects of similar scale and complexity, including:

- a. Total value of projects completed in the last five years.
- b. Performance in similar projects over the past five years, ongoing work, contracted projects, and references for further information.
- 4. Documents verifying financial capacity to undertake the project, such as, but not limited to;
 - a. Proof of working capital adequacy for the project, access to credit lines, and other financial resources.
 - b. Authority to seek references from the individual, firm, company or consortium's bankers.
- 5. Most optimal model to structure the project or proposed business models for the project.

8.0 Submission of Expressions of Interest

Submission Process: Interested parties are invited to submit expressions of interest (EOI) in accordance with the above guidelines provided by MNU.

Interested applicants are requested to submit an EOI by 24th June 2024 in electronic form to:

Email: projects@mnu.edu.mv

Email subject: EOI-2 for the Design and Construction of School of Nursing (SN), Faculty of Health Sciences (FHS), Accommodation Block and Other Facilities.