

BML/PD/EOI/2021/002 28<sup>th</sup> February 2021

# REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

**EXTERNAL LEGAL COUNSEL FOR BANK OF MALDIVES PLC** 



## 1. Invitation for Expression of Interest (EOI)

Bank of Maldives Plc ("BML") seeks to appoint an individual lawyer licensed to practice law in Maldives who would act as an external legal counsel to represent BML in courts and assist with the recovery of delinquent and NPA accounts.

This EOI document provides the requirements and the scope for the tender and specific information to be provided in order to demonstrate that interested parties are fully qualified to participate. The EOI must be delivered to Procurement Department, Bank of Maldives Plc, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, BML Head Office, Boduthakurufaanu Magu or sent via email to openbidding@bml.com.mv. **The closing date for EOI is 14:00hrs (local time) Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021.** 

BML reserves the right to accept or reject any EOI, and to annul, in whole or in part, or to suspend the bidding process and reject all submissions any time and without reason prior to award, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder.

Any questions concerning this document, or the tendering process should be sent to openbidding@bml.com.mv by no later than 14:00hrs (local time) Sunday, 07<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

#### 2. BML Background

Bank of Maldives PLC (BML) was inaugurated on November 11, 1982 and is the leading financial institution in the Maldives. BML is a full-service bank engaging across a complete spectrum of personal, SME and corporate financial services. With a nationwide network of 35 branches across all 20 atolls, 65 Self Service Banking Centers, 126 ATMs, over 200 agents and a full suite of Digital Banking Services, Bank of Maldives is committed to supporting individuals, businesses, and communities across Maldives.

#### 3. Qualifications & Competencies

- Should hold a Bachelor's Degree in Law (LLB);
- Licensed to practice law in the Maldives;
- Minimum of 2 (two) year experience in the field of law;
- Thorough understanding of court procedures and relevant laws of the Republic of Maldives in relation to debt collection and civil litigation;
- Strong problem solving skills and investigative techniques;
- Excellent writing, communication and people skills;
- Apt in negotiating and persuading;
- Persistent, professional, and tactful;
- Ability to plan, organize, prioritize and multi-task;



## 4. Composition of EOI

The application should include the following;

- Cover letter;
- National identity card and CV of the individual;
- Attested and accredited academic records (including law practicing license);
- Records of prior and current work experience;
- Police record certificate

**Note:** this information list is indicative and bank reserves the right to proceed with parties who express EOI even if all information stipulated is not provided. Bank also reserves the right to extend the submission if no submission is received before the stipulated date and time.

#### 5. Evaluation Process

This call for EOI does not constitute a solicitation or Request for Proposal. A preliminary evaluation based on the background and qualification of the parties will be conducted once the EOI is received. Request for Proposal (RFP) will be issued for shortlisted EOI proponents only.