





Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development

Programme (AHEAD)

ELTA- ELSE FACULTY GRANT – FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCES UNIVERSITY OF SRI JAYEWARDENEPURA

Request for Expressions of Interest for Consultancy to facilitate Outcome Based Education and Language Communications and Technology (OBE

LCT)

Consultancy One

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The development of the higher education sector is of central importance to enable Sri Lanka to make the transition from a Lower-Middle Income Country (LMIC) to an Upper Middle-Income Country (UMIC). Recognizing this, the Government of Sri Lanka (GoSL) and the World Bank have agreed to support the higher education sector through a Bank funded Accelerating Higher Education Expansion and Development (AHEAD) operation. The three Results Areas the AHEAD Operation will focus on are:

- 1. increasing enrollment in higher education with special emphasis on study programs required for an aspiring upper-middle-income economy
- 2. broadening and deepening modern teaching and learning approaches that combine academic excellence with high-quality socio-emotional skills
- 3. promoting a vibrant research and innovation culture that can support economic development, especially the growth of higher-value industries and services.

The implementing agency of this Project is the Ministry of Education and Higher Education (MOEHE). The University Grants Commission (UGC) coordinates the activities of the universities. The Operations Monitoring and Support Team (OMST) coordinates and support all AHEAD activities between the MOEHE, UGC, and the universities.

This call for Expression of Interest of a suitable consultant is on Outcome Based Education – Language Communication Technology (OBE LCT) for the Faculty of Applied Science of the University. The consultancy is for 6 months on assignment basis.

The Terms of Reference prepared for the Consultant with the approval of the World Bank is shown below;

- Review the current curriculum of the 11 departments in the Faculty of Applied Science (FAS); identify the strengths and weaknesses of the current curriculum and suggest a plan for improvement by incorporating OBE LCT and aligned assessment methodologies in compliance with SLQF guidelines.
- Organise and conduct workshops as appropriate to guide the academic staff members of FAS to revise the curriculum, revised teaching and assessment methodologies incorporating OBE LCT components including online and in person teaching and assessment methodologies in compliance with SLQF guidelines. Submit comprehensive reports on the proceedings of the workshops conducted.
- Provide further guidance when necessary to revise the course units to incorporate OBE LCT components and scrutinize the course units revised (a minimum of 2 per lecturer) ensuring that the necessary changes are in place
- Prepare a guide on curriculum development/revision which outlines the steps of incorporating components of OBE -LCT and teaching including digitally aided teaching, learning and assessment, in compliance with SLQF guidelines
- Liase with the academic staff members of the FAS and compile a document with the revised course unit outlines (including contents) and assessment
- Provide assistance when requested in other tasks in the AHEAD Program of the FAS

The following deliverables will be expected from the Consultant

- The inception report after reviewing the existing curricula of all the departments in the Faculty in connection with the existence of OBE LCT and suggestions for improvement
- Workshop proceedings including findings and future plans
- Guide on the curriculum development/revisions to incorporate OBE LCT and digitally aided teaching, learning and assessment, in compliance with SLQF guidelines Document with the revised course unit outlines (including contents) and assessment methodology. (*both soft and hard copies of the above documents need to be submitted at appropriate times*)

The applicant must possess the following qualifications and experience as outlined below;

- Extensive experience in serving as Consultant in conducting workshops especially on OBE-LCT teaching methodologies.
- Should be an academic staff member of a recognized University with experience not less than 10 years in the teaching -learning process including preparation/revision of curriculum study programs. Experience in designing and conducting courses for the external clients especially for the industry is considered an added qualification.
- Should possess excellent communication and networking skills, excellent report writing skills, strong interpersonal, teamwork and communication skills and strong analytical and presentation skills

This call is for the eligible persons having above stated qualifications, to submit their application (EOI) indicating the interest in providing this consultancy service. Interested persons must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the service (CV, experience in similar assignments, sample of documents developed and availability of appropriate skills etc. and a name and address of one non related referee).

Payments and payments conditions

Total allocation for the consultancy **is LKR 200,000.00** for a period of 6 months on assignment basis. The payment schedule is shown below;

- 10% of the total value will be paid after signing the contract and accepting the workplan prepared by the consultant
- 10% of the total value will be paid after acceptance of the review report of the current curricula in all the 11 departments with recommendations for improvement
- 20% of the total value will be paid at the interim stage which reports the proceedings of the workshop outcomes and recommendations
- The 40% of the value will be paid after the draft final report is accepted which will include revised course unit outlines (including contents) and assessment methodology
- The balance will be paid when the final report is accepted at the end of the assignment

APPLICATION AND PARTICULARS:

The Consultancy Procurement Committee on behalf of the University of Sri Jayewardenepura now invites eligible individuals to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested individuals must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services along with the work schedule for this consultancy (curriculum vitae with description of experience in similar assignments, and similar conditions, etc.). Interested individuals could indicate their interest for the consultancy.

Consultant will be selected via ICC method and in accordance with GOSL Guidelines on selection and employment of consultant. Expression of Interest (EOI) must be delivered to the address below or emailed to kelumg@sjp.ac.lk on or before 4 pm on 07th July 2020

Dr. W.G.S.Kelum Director/OTS, AHEAD Operation Chairman – RPC (Minor)