



Utilities Regulatory Authority

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The Utilities Regulatory Authority ("the URA") is seeking to engage the Consultancy services of a Principal Economist – utility regulation for one (1) year and calling for Expression of Interest from interested individuals.

The primary responsibilities of the Principal Economist are set out below are but not limited to the economic regulation of water and electricity.

Successful candidate must meet the following requirements:

- An advanced degree in economics, or finance/accounting or business;
- At least 8 years work experience in applied economic analysis, financial modeling, consulting and project management;
- Knowledge of and some experience in economic regulation, preferably for utility services;
- Proven track record in capacity building and training;
- Proven track record of successful work as a member of a diverse team;
- Excellent oral and written communication skills;
- Fluency in written and spoken English is required, knowledge of French and/or Bislama an advantage; and
- Experience in Vanuatu and/or other developing country contexts an advantage.

Candidates with advance degree, higher levels of experience and analytical skills will be given preference and suitable compensation

About the Utilities Regulatory Authority

The URA was set up under the *Utilities Regulatory Authority Act No. 11 of 2007*. The Authority acts independently of the Government and its primary purpose is to increase access to safe, reliable and affordable electricity and water services, and to promote the long-term interests of consumers throughout Vanuatu. In addition, the Authority assists to resolve consumer complaints and disputes and advises the Government on matters related to electricity and water. It also reviews tariffs under the rules of the Concessions Agreements and relevant legislation.

To request a Request for Expression of Interest (REOI) form and details relating to the Scope of service for this position, please contact:

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The REOI should be submitted and addressed as "Confidential: REOI MFEM/URA CS01/16"

To: **The Secretary**
 Central Tender Board Office
 Ministry of Finance & Economic Management
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REOI closing date for submissions is Monday 16th May 2016 at 16.30PM Vanuatu Time (GMT +11)