



SPECIAL BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO.: BFARSBAC-RESO-2026-12 Series of 2026

SBAC RESOLUTION DECLARING FAILURE OF BID FOR THE SELECTION OF INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANCY (SIC) FOR SENIOR PROCUREMENT SPECIALIST FOR THE FISHERIES COASTAL RESILIENCY (FISHCORE) PROJECT

WHEREAS, under the World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers 4th Edition, November 2020, the mode “Open Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants” may be availed of, to wit:

“VII. APPROVED SELECTION METHODS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS

7.34 Individual Consultants are selected for an assignment for which: (a) a team of experts is not required, (b) no additional home office professional support is required, and (c) the experience and qualifications of the individual are of paramount requirement. xxx

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7.36 Advertisement through REoIs is encouraged, particularly when the Borrower does not have knowledge of experienced and qualified individuals, or their availability, the services are complex, there is potential benefit from wider advertising, or advertising is mandatory under national law.

7.37 REoIs shall include a complete TOR. Individual Consultants are selected from those that expressed interest in response to a REoI.”

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources - Special Bids and Awards Committee (BFAR-SBAC) has advertised the Request for Expression of Interest in the Philippine Government Electronic Procurement System (PhilGEPS), Official Facebook account, and FishCoRe official website for the hiring of one (1) Senior Procurement Specialist.

WHEREAS, four (4) interested individuals submitted their respective applications and CVs, but after the initial screening of minimum requirements, only three (3) applicants were shortlisted to proceed to the next stage of the selection process, namely:

1. PERALTA, ROBIN
2. CASTILLO, RAMIR
3. BERGANTIN, JUSTIN

WHEREAS, the BFAR-SBAC Secretariat referred the CVs to the Technical Working Group for the hiring of Consultants, for the conduct of applicants’ screening and selection processes (interview and evaluation);

WHEREAS, the BFAR-SBAC subsequently conducted the interview and final assessment of the three (3) shortlisted applicants to further verify their technical competence and suitability for the project;

WHEREAS, upon the conclusion of the interview and final deliberation, the TWG and the Committee determined that although the shortlisted applicants met the minimum technical requirements for shortlisting, their performance during the interview and assessment phase resulted in a final score below the minimum passing threshold of 75% required for the position;

WHEREAS, notwithstanding that the applicants obtained final ratings below the minimum passing threshold of seventy-five percent (75%) during the interview and assessment phase, they may, without prejudice, reapply for the position, *provided* that any subsequent application shall be subjected to a new series of screening, interview, and evaluation process in accordance with the prescribed standards, procedures, and own set of established qualification;

WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing, the TWG recommended to the SBAC the declaration of a failure of bidding as no candidate was able to obtain the minimum passing score of 75% required to be considered for the assignment;

NOW, THEREFORE, premises considered, the FishCoRe Special Bids and Awards Committee, acting unanimously and in the exercise of its authority, **HEREBY RESOLVES,** as it is **HEREBY RESOLVED,** to:

1. **DECLARE A FAILURE OF BIDDING** for the Selection of Individual Consultancy for Senior Procurement Specialist on the ground that no applicant attained the minimum passing score of 75% in the final evaluation and interview process; and
2. To repost the said position in PhilGEPS, the BFAR official website, and other appropriate platforms to ensure compliance with the required qualifications and to allow for a fair and competitive selection process

Done this 23rd of April 2026, in Quezon City, Philippines.

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