# THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION

REPUBLIC OF FIJI

# CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR PREPARATION OF ANNUAL REPORT - CONSULTANCY

# **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### 1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The Electoral Commission of Fiji (ECF) seeks to engage the services of a qualified consultant to draft the ECF Annual Report for 2024. The Report will include a section on activities undertaken in late 2023 and the report format will follow the format of a previously published (2022) Annual Report.
- 1.2 The consultant will work closely with ECF members to ensure that the Annual Report comprehensively captures the Commission's activities, progress, challenges, and recommendations over the designated period.

#### 2.0 SCOPE OF WORK

The consultant is required to:

- Review the 2022 Annual Report to understand and meet the required format, structure, content and design expectations.
- Collect and analyze relevant information from the ECF, and, where directed, the Fijian Elections Office.
- Draft the ECF Annual Report for 2023-2024, ensuring accuracy, coherence, readability, and compliance with ECF's reporting guidelines.
- Conduct consultations with ECF members to gather insights, updates, and necessary data for the report.
- Consult with the ECF over any assistance needed with artwork and design of the report, including cover design.
- Submit a draft report including proposed layout and design to the ECF for review, and make the necessary revisions based on feedback received from the ECF.
- Provide three quotations for report printing to the FCF
- Undertake careful copy editing and proof reading of the approved draft report, and oversee the printing process at a printing establishment designated by the ECF.
- Deliver the final printed Annual Report to the ECF within the stipulated timeframe.

#### 3.0 WORK PLAN

The consultancy is expected to be between **1 to 1.5 months**, during which the consultant will:

- Develop a timeline for drafting, consultations, revisions, design and layout, printing, and final submission.
- Work in collaboration with ECF members to compile the necessary information.
- Provide periodic progress updates to the ECF.

#### 4.0 WORK PLACE

- 4.1 The consultant may undertake the assignment remotely or at the ECF's designated offices, using their own equipment (e.g., laptop, software, and internet access).
- 4.2 The consultant is expected to be available for virtual or in-person meetings with ECF members as required.

#### 5.0 REPORTING

- 5.1 The consultant will report directly to the Chairperson of the ECF or any designated ECF representative.
- 5.2 The draft report must be submitted to the ECF for review according to the agreed-upon timeline, and the final report, including report content, lay out, design, and cover, must be approved by the ECF before being sent to the printer.

#### 6.0 CONFIDENTIALITY

The consultant must treat all information accessed during the consultancy as strictly confidential and must not share or disclose any data to third parties without approval from the FCF

#### 7.0 REMUNERATION

- 7.1 A competitive remuneration package will be offered to the selected consultant.
- 7.2 The contract terms, including payment structure and other conditions, will be specified upon selection.

## 8.0 OUALIFICATION

### 8.1 Education:

8.1.1 A university degree in journalism, political science, public administration, law, communications, or a related field is required.

## 8.2 Experience:

- 8.2.1 Proven experience in drafting government, International Non Government Organisation, Non Government Organisation, United Nations, or similar institutional reports.
- 8.2.2 Ability to provide examples of previously completed reports of a similar nature.
- 8.2.3 Strong research, writing, and editing skills.
- 8.2.4 Experience in publishing and/or a background in graphic design will be considered an advantage.
- 8.2.5 Experience working with high-level stakeholders and maintaining confidentiality.

#### 9.0 SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

#### 9.1 Eligible candidates should submit:

- An Expression of Interest (EOI)
- A detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV) highlighting relevant experience and qualifications
- At least two examples of similar reports they have authored
- An estimate cost for the scope of work

# 9.2 How to apply:

All EOI must be addressed to "The Chairperson of the Electoral Commission" and must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person or by email) by 4pm, on 02 June 2025.

The Chairperson Electoral Commission 59-63 High Street Toorak, Suva

Email: secretariat@electoralcommission.org.fj