



Role of Consulting and Contracting Industry in Economic Development and Employment Generation in IDBG Member Countries

09:30 – 11:30, Al Qasr B Hilton Hotel, Jeddah

Overview

The forthcoming IDB Annual Meeting, scheduled to take place in Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia during May 2017, offers an excellent opportunity for organization of a side event on "**Role of Consulting and Contracting Industry in Economic Development and Employment Generation in IDBG Member Countries**". The event will be attended by high-ranking officials from IDBG Member Countries, prominent representatives of business communities, relevant ministries as well as members of Federation of Consultants from Islamic Countries (FCIC) and Federation of Contractors from Islamic Countries (FOCIC) and Federation of Arab Contractors (FAC).

The seminar aims to enhance the capacity of businesses in member countries and increase the transparency of procurement processes in order to optimize the effect of IDB financed interventions. IDB provides extensive support to infrastructure development in MCs, hence, the theme of the seminar is linked to a significant proportion of IDB's operations which contributes to the Bank's effort in the fields of poverty alleviation, growth enhancement and employment generation in Member Countries. Infrastructure initiatives as a driver of economic growth in many of MCs will benefit immensely from enhanced procurement procedures to be delivered through the seminar.

The Seminar aims at:

- Providing a discussion platform to emphasize the significance of continuous enhancement in procurement by adopting innovative solutions in the construction industry of IDB Member Countries; and
- Exploring opportunities to strategically enhance businesses in IDB Member Countries through effectively utilizing opportunities in IDB financed projects.

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| Moderator | Representative of OPSD |
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| S.N | Speakers |
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| 1 | Mr. Zafrul Mahmood |
| 2 | Dr. Hossam Abdelgawad |
| 3 | Mr. Mamadou Daffe |