executing agency once they are aware of projects in the early phases of the pipeline.

Concerning consultants, though preference is given to member countries, expertise does not appear to be sufficient in some fields. IsDB usually chooses from a roster of 3,700 consultants (of which only 600 are from member countries). Registration is essential and can be done by applying for the Bank's registration forms. A short list of six to ten consultants is then reviewed by two committees at both the IsDB and the country. Completed forms should be sent to the Head of the Marketing & Consultancy Services.

Partnering with a member country firm would be advantageous in some cases. It is <u>recommended that Canadian firms explore such possibilities with the Technical Assistance Association of Islamic Consultants based in Cairo, and for enterprises, a similar association based in Rabat.</u>

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