

Affairs (ILAB), intends to award a sole source award to DAI/Nathan Group LLC (DAI) for the purpose of implementing a program to strengthen compliance with international labor standards in Vietnam, focusing specifically on improving labor administration, freedom of association, collective bargaining and dispute resolution.

*Total Estimated Value of the Grant/Agreement Action:* \$1,500,000.

*Anticipated Length of Agreement:* Two (2) years (9/30/2011 to 9/30/2013).

*Grant Authority:* Department of Labor Manual Series (DLMS)-2, Chapter 830(g)(3): The Recipient, DAI, has unique qualifications to perform the type of activity to be funded. DAI, through its Industrial Relations Promotion Project (IRRP), is the only organization that has the recognized authority and capacity to fulfill the intent of the IRRP Phase II in Vietnam. DAI/IRRP has worked closely with the Government of Vietnam and worker and employer organizations. Given the complexity of building working relationships and trust with Vietnamese counterparts, DAI has made great strides on that front and, as a result, is uniquely positioned to be an effective implementing partner, particularly in building labor inspectorate capacity. DAI/IRRP is the only organization that can continue these efforts without interruption in support of the implementation of Vietnam's new legislation and consistent with USG trade and Labor Dialogue-related efforts. The Project will continue to work in coordination with other USAID funded DAI projects in Vietnam. DAI's Support for Trade Acceleration Project (STAR Plus) supports the Government of Vietnam's efforts to implement trade and investment reform to attract investment and promote private sector growth and has worked with the Ministry of Justice on law and judicial reform. DAI's Vietnam Competitiveness Initiative Phase II Project (VNCI) works with STAR Plus and the Government of Vietnam to improve government administration, reduce the regulatory burden on the private sector, and generate new employment. In Phase I, IRRP has engaged in a number of activities that directly support Phase II objectives. The US embassy provided a letter in support of continued funding of DAI/IRRP based, on part, on the importance of the objectives and DAI/IRRP unique qualifications to achieve them.

*Recipient Involvement:*

DAI will:

- Strengthen the effectiveness of Vietnam's labor administration, with a focus on the labor inspection system, its

management, regulations, data collection, training, research and related areas.

- Promote collective bargaining and the prevention and resolution of collective disputes and sound industrial relations by developing approaches in cooperation with trade unions/worker organizations, employers and MOLISA.
- Help develop dispute resolution systems in new legislation for interest-based and rights-based disputes.
- Strengthen capacity in worker organizations to organize and effectively represent workers in the private sector.

*Key Dates:* This notice will remain open for approximately three days from posting in the **Federal Register**. The Cooperative Agreement is projected for award on or before September 30, 2011.

*Submission Information:* This funding announcement is not a request for applications. This announcement is only to provide public notice of The U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL), Bureau of International Labor Affairs intention to fund the following project activities without full and open competition.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Brenda J. White, Grant Officer. E-mail address: [white.brenda.j@dol.gov](mailto:white.brenda.j@dol.gov). All inquiries should make reference to the USDOL Industrial Relations Promotion Project, Phase II in Vietnam.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 29th day of August, 2011.

**Brenda J. White,**

*Grant Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

### Advisory Committee on Veterans' Employment, Training and Employer Outreach (ACVETEO): Meeting

**AGENCY:** Veterans' Employment and Training Service, Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Advisory Committee on Veterans' Employment, Training and Employer Outreach (ACVETEO). The ACVETEO will discuss Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Services' (VETS) core programs and new initiatives regarding efforts that assist veterans seeking employment and raise employer awareness as to the advantages of hiring veterans. There will be an opportunity for persons or organizations to address the committee. Any individual or organization that

wishes to do so should contact Mr. Gregory Green (202) 693-4734. Time constraints may limit the number of outside participants/presentations. Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (i.e., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, and/or materials in alternative format) should notify the Advisory Committee no later than Wednesday, September 21, 2011 by contacting Mr. Gregory Green (202) 693-4734. Requests made after this date will be reviewed, but availability of the requested accommodations cannot be guaranteed. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. This notice also describes the functions of the Advisory Committee. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public.

*Date and Time:* Thursday, September 29, 2011, beginning at 10 a.m. and ending at approximately 4 p.m. (E.S.T.).

**ADDRESSES:** U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-2508, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20210. ID is required to enter the building.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Nancy L. Hogan, Designated Federal Official, Advisory Committee on Veterans' Employment, Training and Employer Outreach, (202) 693-4700, or Mr. Gregory Green (202) 693-4734.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** ACVETEO is a Congressionally mandated advisory committee authorized under Title 38, U.S. Code, Section 4110 and subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2, as amended. The ACVETEO is responsible for: assessing employment and training needs of veterans; determining the extent to which the programs and activities of the U.S. Department of Labor meet these needs; assisting to conduct outreach to employers seeking to hire veterans; making recommendations to the Secretary, through the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training (VETS), with respect to outreach activities and employment and training needs of Veterans; and carrying out such other activities necessary to make required reports and recommendations. The ACVETEO meets at least quarterly.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 2nd day of September, 2011.

**Joseph C. Juarez,**

*Acting, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Veterans' Employment and Training Service.*

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