

# Argentina: Feasibility Study: Salta ICT Modernization

#### ✤ BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY OVERSEAS

The Salta Municipal Government (the "Grantee) invites submission of qualifications and proposal data (collectively referred to as the "Proposal") from interested U.S. firms that are qualified on the basis of experience and capability to execute a feasibility study (the "Feasibility Study") to support the expansion of broadband, data center, and related smart city infrastructure in the Argentine city of Salta.

#### Project Background

The Project aims to modernize Salta's information technology and telecommunications ("ICT") infrastructure by expanding its fiber optic network, upgrading its data management and storage capacities, and introducing smart city infrastructure, including intelligent transportation technology ("ITS") applications and non-ITS applications (such as emergency response applications).

#### About the Grantee

The Grantee is the Salta Municipal Government.

### About the Study

This Feasibility Study will focus on improvements to the Grantee's fiber optic network and its data management and storage capabilities to expand internet access and provide greater public services. With respect to the fiber optic network, the Feasibility Study will assess how to integrate existing sections of the network into a more seamless and efficient network, recommend how best to expand the reach of the network so that it covers the entire city, and identify how to upgrade the network to catalyze the deployment of new digital services in the city. The Feasibility Study will also examine options for improving the Grantee's data management and storage capabilities, such as data center upgrades or third-party cloud data storage services. In addition, the Feasibility Study will estimate implementation costs and examine potential financing options for these ICT infrastructure upgrades.

The U.S. firm selected will be paid in U.S. dollars from a \$869,200 grant to the Grantee from the U.S. Trade and Development Agency.

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