



ALBANIAN ROAD AUTHORITY PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION TEAM

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

ALBANIA

BUILDING RESILIENT BRIDGES PROJECT (BRBP)

Project ID No.: P174595 Loan No.: 94790-AL

Assignment Title: Disaster Management Risk (DMR) Audit for Bridges

Reference No. Ref. No: AL-ARA-351533-CS-CQS

The Government of Albania has received a loan in the amount of 51.6 million EUR financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Building Resilient Bridges Project (BRBP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the subject consulting service.

The Albanian Road Authority (ARA) seeks a qualified firm to provide Consulting Service for conducting the Disaster Management Risk (DMR) Audit on several priority bridges situated at various locations across the Albanian road network.

The consulting services ("the Services") will consist of undertaking the following activities:

- Perform a detailed risk assessment to identify and prioritize potential natural hazards that could impact the bridges, considering geographic environmental and climate factors.
- To conduct a site visit on a selected bridge, to evaluate the current structural designs of bridges to determine their ability to withstand natural disasters, such as earthquakes, floods and high winds.
- Produce draft designs comments that meet or exceed current national and international engineering standards for structural safety and reliability.
- Integrate climate resilience features into the draft and final design to ensure bridges can withstand extreme weather events and other climate-related impacts.
- Ensure the final designs result in bridges that maintain their functionality and safety over their intended lifespan, even under adverse conditions

The consultancy service for the road safety audit will be conducted intermittently over a period of approximately 5 months offering the approximate level efforts of sixteen (16) man/months for essential staff. The intended commencement date is November 2024, subject to the completion of service contract award procedure.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website https://www.arrsh.gov.al/ (https://www.arrsh.gov.al/njoftime-brbp).

The Albanian Road Authority now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.



The Consultant Firm must be able to demonstrate previous experience in similar assignments as follow:

- 1) The Consultant should be a qualified firm or JV with at least 10 years of national or international experience with projects in DRM auditing for both road and bridge, with a proven track record in completing successful projects similar scale and scope to the services described in the TOR.
- 2) The consulting firm should have successfully implemented at least 2 similar contracts within the last 5 years.

The shortlisting criteria are:

- Core business and years in business (30 Points)
- Past experience in similar assignments (60 Points)
- Firms' organization and staffing (10 Points)

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 revised November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant Qualification Selection (CQS) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 08:00 to 16:30 (Monday to Thursday) and 08:00 to 14:00 on Friday at the address given below.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person, or by mail, or by e-mail by November 12, 2024, at 14:00 hrs. local time.

The address referred to above is:

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