REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – Individual Consultant)

Country: Albania

Name of Project: Results Based Road maintenance and Safety Project (RRMSP)

Loan No: 8489-AL

Expressions of Interest for Individual: Procurement Specialist.

Reference / Project No: P132982

The Government of Albania (GoA) has received a loan in the amount of 65.9 Million Euro's financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Results Based Road maintenance and Safety Project (RRMSP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for individual consulting services.

The consulting services for the procurement Specialist, which is a full time assignment, include the implementation of a 5-year Hybrid performance based maintenance contract (RRMSP). The project implementation is carried out by the PMT on behalf of the Albanian Roads Authority (ARA) and is responsible to prepare the bidding documents for procurement of works contracts (including prequalification documents), for goods contracts and for consulting services assignments as per the agreed Procurement Plan, and in accordance with the World Bank Guidelines, in order to support and facilitate timely execution of the bidding process. The successful candidate will work closely with the Project Director & Project Manager and other relevant stakeholders to ensure that RRMSP is managed efficiently and in compliance with the objectives.

Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications:

Checking/preparing the Bidding Documents (BDs) / Request for Proposals (RFP) using the World Bank respective format; thoroughly reviews all bidding documentation prior to submission to the World Bank in time fashion and clearing them with the Bank;

Assist the PMT Project Manager to prepare notifications for advertising contracts – General Procurement Notices (GPN), Specific Procurement Notices (SPN) and Requests for Expressions of Interest (EOI)

Prepare all necessary evaluation reports and award recommendations on behalf of the PMT/evaluation committee, and submit the evaluation reports to the Bank for no objection, through PMT Director or ARA Director General;

Specific responsibilities for the Procurement Specialist are described in the terms of Reference Published at www.arrsh.gov.al

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's *Guidelines:* Selection and Employment of Consultants [under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers.

In addition, please refer to the following specific Information on conflict of interest related to this assignment,

World Bank policy requires that consultants provide professional, objective, and impartial advice and at all times hold the client's interests paramount, without any consideration for future work, and strictly avoid conflicts with other assignments or their own corporate interests. Consultants shall not be hired for any assignment that would be in conflict with their prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place them in a position of not being able to carry out the assignment in the best interest of the Borrower.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the provisions for selection of (IC) Individual Consultant set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

The candidate should fulfill the following qualifications requirements

- A university degree in one of the following: Law, Engineering, Economics;
- Minimum of 5 years in Procurement according to the World Bank Guidelines
- Past experience in procurement of large works contracts would be an asset
- Reference and Certification from past similar experience is required
- Computer skills: Word, Excel. MS Office
- Good command of English language

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours. 08:00 to 16:30hours.

Expressions of interest/CVs must be delivered in a written form to the address below, in person, or by mail, or fax) by 10 calendar days from the date of publication which is **13.02.2020**, which means Expressions of interest/CVs must be delivered within the dates **27.02.2020**

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