

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Invitation for Individual Consultants

Procurement / Contract Officer (2 positions)

The Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) and the Government of Moldova (the Government) have entered into Millennium Challenge Compact(the Compact) for Millennium Challenge Accountfinancial assistance in amount of USD 262 million towards 2 (two) primary projects: 1) Road Rehabilitation Project (RRP); and 2) Transition to High Value-added Agriculture Project.

Road Rehabilitation Project consists in rehabilitation of the M2 road sector linking the capital Chisinau with the border of the Ukraine. The State Road Administration (SRA) shall be responsible for procurement and contract management activities in order to implement the RRP.

Expressions of Interest are invited from Individual Consultants for the provision of consultancy services of Procurement / Contract Officers (2 positions) under RRP. The main objective of the assignment will be to provide SRA with procurement and contract management expertise for all aspects of the procurement and contract management process within the RRP. Specific objectives include: (i) Support the Senior Procurement / Contract Management Expert (SPCME) in the procurement process for goods, works and consulting services in compliance with MCC Procurement Guidelines dated October 23, 2009 and amended on September 27, 2010 and May 23, 2011 and other relevant requirements; (ii) Support SPCME in contract management activities and administration of Works and Works Supervision contracts to be procured by SRA in the framework of the RRP. Detailed information concerning the project will be available on the official MCA-Moldova website: www.mca.gov.md.

Consultants will be employed on a full-time basis. The contracts will be awarded to the Consultants for one year period, likely to commence in December 2011, with an option for renewal at the sole discretion of MCA – Moldova.

Consultants shall have as a minimum a University's degree in relevant discipline (e.g. Highway engineering, Law, Procurement, Finance, Business or Commerce) and relevant training in procurement activities; at least 3 (three) years direct relevant work experience as a Consultant / Expert in procurement under projects financed by the international donors; excellent knowledge of the Standard Bidding Documents (Works, Services and Goods), used by the major international financial institutions (MCC, WB, ADB, EBRD, EC); extensive knowledge of international best practices in public procurement procedures, contract administration, contract procedures and project monitoring; experience in procurement and / or contract management for large works, under the FIDIC Conditions of Contract, and / or contract management of the supervision of works contract in the framework of programs financed by international

donors will be an advantage; fluency in written and spoken English and knowledge of MS Office are required.

The selection will be in accordance with the procedures stated in MCC Procurement Guidelines. The selected Consultant will sign a lump - sum annual contract.

Interested Consultants shall submit information on their credentials to perform the services, including the description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, demonstrating availability of adequate skills, qualifications and other relevant information. Consultants will be selected based on the comparison of qualifications. Therefore, it is important that all relevant information will be included in Consultant's application. All the Expressions of Interest documents are to be submitted in English.

Consultants will also submit the names and the contact data (telephone numbers and e-mail addresses) of at least 3 (three) professional references where it will be clearly outlined the relationship of professional reference to the candidate (e.g.: supervisor, client, former colleague etc.)

Prior to submission, interested Consultants should review the Terms of Reference (TOR), available on the official SRA's website at:

{ [http://www.asd.md/ENG/docs/ToR for Procurement & Contract Officer.pdf](http://www.asd.md/ENG/docs/ToR%20for%20Procurement%20&%20Contract%20Officer.pdf) } which describes the assignment in detail. Additional information may be obtained during office hours 9:00 – 17:00, at the address indicated below.

The deadline for submission of Expressions of Interest is October 14, 2011 at 17:00 (local time in Moldova), and electronic submission is also accepted.

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