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

MOLDOVA

Local Roads Improvement Project (LRIP) P150357

Assignment Title: Construction Supervision Services for Road Improvement of Local Roads

Reference No.: LRIP/CS/05

Assignment description:

The Government of the Republic of Moldova has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Local Roads Improvement Project in Moldova, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The project will be implemented under the general supervision and responsibility of the Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure (MTRI), who will execute the project through the State Road Administration (SRA) as the direct executing agency

The consulting services ("the Services") include Construction supervision of the civil works, which consist of rehabilitation and upgrading of about 300 km of priority local roads. The works will be carried out during 51 months of project life within the available budget of US Dollars 75 million.

Selected roads are part of several corridors prioritized for the investment, which will be rehabilitated in phases, as stated bellow:

1st Phase Roads

1st Phase Roads, selected during the preparatory studies comprise, L376 road, Drujba-Radeni-Hoginesti, km 0+000 - km 34+250 totalling approximately 34.25 km and estimated improvement cost of \$4.75 million. The Tender documents for the works for the 1st Phase Roads improvement works under a single contract have been completed and works are expected to commence in the fourth quarter of 2016.

Roads for 2nd and Later Phases

Currently, the following roads have been identified for 2nd Phase:

- L314 M2-Peresecina-Hîrtopul Mare-Ohrincea, km 1.65-15.39, km 19.81-24.30
- L314.4 Izbişte village bypass, km 0.00-3.20
- L313 M2-access to Miclesti Village, km 0.00-5.00
- L405 road R21-Oniscani, km 0.00-9.96
- L390 road, R25-Seliste-Pîrlita-R1, km 0+000 km 33+500
- L431 road, Păcureni-Selişte-Vînători, km 0+000- km 4+200

- Access of Seliste village to R25, km 0+000-km 3+600
- L465 road, R3 Pojăreni Costești Horești Țipala R32, km 0+000 km 34 +600

Subsequent phases are likely to comprise multiple contracts (three contracts) staged at six month intervals, and it is expected that there will be requirement for three site supervision teams. The Scope of Services may change during the Implementation of the Project due to change in circumstances which may result in reduction/increase in the number of Phases and Contracts.

Assignment start and duration:

It is envisaged that the assignment will commence on December 5th, 2016, for a duration of 51 months.

Requirements for EOIs:

The State Road Administration 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.

Expressions of Interest (EOIs) may be submitted by a firm, association, or a joint venture. For shortlisting purposes, the combined experience of an association or a joint venture will be evaluated although the qualifications of the lead firm will be given a greater weight.

The EOI should provide the following information:

1. Company Profile;

- Company profile, core business, staffing levels, annual turnover:
- Details of firm's/association's/joint venture's standard quality policies, procedures and practices:
- Name, qualifications and relevant experience of firm's director or manager who will assume overall responsibility for the firm's, association's or joint venture's team coordination, management and output:
- Specific details of firm's/association's/join venture's procedures to ensure quality of its performance over the life of this assignment including management coordination and role of each firm.

2. Company Experience

Provide up to 10 projects references in similar road construction supervision assignments, undertaken in the previous five (5) years, which the firm/association/joint venture considers best illustrate its experience relevant to the assignment, to include the following details:

- Project title, and narrative description of the project;
- Contractual role of the firm;
- Detailed description of the actual services provided by the firm
- Name of firm's senior staff (Project/Coordinator, Team Leader) involved and functions performed;
- Number of staff and number of person-months of professional staff provided by the firm;
- The presence of any lead or affiliate companies and their respective roles;
- Detailed description of the actual services provided by affiliate companies;
- Number of staff and number of person-months of professional staff provided by affiliate companies;
- Location, and start and completion dates;
- Contract value;
- Name of the Client and funding source.

The shortlisting criteria are:

Criteria
• Sub criteria
Company Profile
 Core business and years of experience
 Technical and managerial capacity
 Administrative and financial strength
Experience
 Experience of consultant specific to the assignment
Experience of consultant specific to region

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 & IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers, January 2011 (revised version of July 2014) ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Procurement procedure:

A shortlist of qualified firms will be prepared on the response to this invitation, after which shortlisted firms will be invited to submit their proposals. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the QCBS (Quality-and Cost-Based Selection) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. (local time).

Expression of interest must be delivered to the client in written form in English in an envelope marked "EXPRESION OF INTEREST for LRIP" to the address mentioned below by July 6, 2016 at 10.00 AM (local time) in hard copy one original and two copies, one electronic copy on CD-ROM, and a copy by email.

Consultants should be aware that distance and customs formalities may require longer than expected delivery time.

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