## Republic of Moldova Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure

## **ROAD SECTOR PROGRAM**

## STATE ROAD ADMINISTRATION

## CLARIFICATION DOCUMENT No.1 (updated)

Answers to the Requests for Clarification received from Consultants on Expression of Interest

**Supervision of Construction Works** 

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Issued on July 7, 2017 Updated on July 11, 2017

No.	Question	Answer	
July 7, 2017			
1	The Consultants should "provide up to 10 references in similar assignments, undertaken in the previous five (5) years" Please clarify your understanding of "undertaken in the previous five (5) years", if it refers to projects "completed" in the previous five (5) years and the starting date of the projects could be earlier than the previous five (5) years.  Also, please let us know if references of the ongoing projects will be taken into consideration at the evaluation, taking into account the services provided by the Consultant within the project until the date of the submission of Expression of Interest.	Only completed projects in the previous five (5) years, with the starting date of the projects within this period will be taken into consideration.	
2	We have a clarification question regarding an expression used in the following requirements regarding the company experience. According to point 2, the Consultants shall include details about:  "• 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 personmonths of professional staff provided by affiliate companies;"  According to Table 2 of Annex 1, the Consultants shall provide information about "associated Consultant" and also about "affiliate companies".  We would like to kindly ask you to clarify if "affiliate companies" has the same meaning as "associated consultants", the two expressions being synonyms.	It is confirmed that "affiliate companies" has the same meaning as "associated consultants".	
`July 11, 2017			
3	Regarding your Clarification Document No. 1, issued on July 7th 2017, your answer to the first question issued by the Consultants: "Only completed projects in the previous five (5) years, with the starting date of the projects within this period will be taken into consideration." is very restrictive together with the other requirements for experience, only very few projects could be taken into consideration	It is confirmed that the last five years means 01/2012 – 07/2017.	

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	Therefore, please reconsider your position regarding the starting date and end date of the similar expertise of the Consultants and take into consideration for evaluation projects as value and complexity of the services provided in the last five years, without limiting the start date or end date of the projects for the evaluation.  In conclusion, please take into consideration projects with a starting date before 07/2012 and also ongoing projects, partially completed, with description and detailed of services provided in the period 07/2012 – 07/2017.	
4	Please clarify your understanding of "experience of consultant specific to the NIS region", if it refers to projects undertaken in the field of road transport infrastructure only or experience in other infrastructures fields (i.e. railway, water, environmental, energy etc.) is also taken into consideration.	"Experience of the consultant specific to the region" refers to experience gained by the consultant in the successful completion of assignments of similar nature and complexity in NIS countries.  "Experience of the consultant specific to the region" may be in other Sectors than the Road Sector.
	Also, please clarify if the projects for design services/ contract management carried out in the NIS region are taken into consideration.	It is confirmed that the projects for design services/ contract management carried out in the NIS region are not taken into consideration.
5	Regarding your Answer to Question no. 1 in Clarification Document No.1, we are kindly requesting the Client to reconsider it in line with the IFI's (including EIB) and EU's constant practice in procurement procedures, namely to confirm that by reference projects "undertaken in the previous five (5) years", the Client refers to projects "completed" in the previous five (5) years, regardless their start date.	Please refer to Answer 3 above.