

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

Country: Moldova

Name of Project: Moldova Rural Connectivity Project

Project ID: P180153

Assignment Title: Consulting Services for Construction Supervision of:

(i) The rehabilitation of Corridor 8 “G88: Cornești – Boghenii Noi – Năpădeni – M5 and G86: G88–Dereneu–G85”

- Lot 1 G88: Cornești – Boghenii Noi – Năpădeni – M5, km 0+00 – km 16+200
- Lot 2: section 2.1: G88: Cornești – Boghenii Noi – Năpădeni – M5, km 16+200 – km 25+090, and section 2.2: G86: G88–Dereneu–G85, km 0+00 - km 8+395

Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): MRCP/CS/C8/01

The Government of the Republic of Moldova has received financing from the World Bank (the “Bank” or the “WB”) in the form of a loan/credit toward the cost of the Moldova Rural Connectivity Project. The State Roads Administration “SRA”, an implementing agency (the “Client”), intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan/credit to eligible payments under the contract for which this Request for Expressions of Interest is issued.

The selected Consultant is expected to provide professional assistance to the Client in administration of the WB funded Contracts with due diligence and by carrying out the duties of the Engineer as defined in the conditions of the Works Contract(s).

The duties of the Consultant for the supervision of works under Corridor 8, shall follow FIDIC Contract Conditions, (“Red Book”) Second edition 2017, reprinted 2022 with Amendments published by the Federation Internationale Des Ingenieurs – Conseils.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained following a formal request to the Client to **procurement@asd.md**.

The Assignment is expected to start in January 2026 and has an estimated overall duration of 33.5 months, which includes 0.5 month for pre-commencement activities, 18 months of works supervision, 12 months covering Defects Notification Period and 3 months for the Performance Certificates issue and other closing activities, Final Account and Contract close-out.

The estimated minimum number of person-months required for the assignment is **224.5 person-months**. This includes 61.5 person-months for **Key Staff**.

The Client’s estimation of the necessary input for **Non-Key Staff/Technical Support Staff** is 153 person-months and 10 person-months for short-term experts.

The SRA now invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Consulting Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The Consultant will be a firm or a group of firms (JVCA¹) with previous project experience related to Construction Supervision Services.

The shortlisting criteria are:

1. Core business/structure and years of experience in business:

- at least 10 years of experience in consulting services in the road sector.
- Demonstrated satisfactory technical and administrative capacity. The number of permanent staff of the consultant must be at least 10 for each of the last 5 years starting 1st of January 2020 at the deadline for submission of proposals. The average annual turnover of the consultant must be at least EUR 500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand) equivalent for each of the last 3 years starting 1st of January 2022 until the deadline for submission of proposals.

The information on the company’s profile shall be submitted in accordance with Table 1A below:

Table 1A. Company’s profile Form.

Criteria • Sub criteria	Info
Company Profile	
• core business and years of experience	<i>{type of company, country and year of formation, company registration number, head office address, branch office address, fields of activity, organizational and management structure}</i>
• technical and administrative capacity	<i>{No. of permanent staff for last five years (total staff and staff in relevant fields); relevant managerial capacity of the Project Coordinator (a detailed CV is required), turnover for last five years, membership of professional organizations, quality control/ quality assurance certification}</i>

2. Company experience:

2.1 Experience of Consultant in similar assignments:

- at least 2 construction supervision assignments in road construction or rehabilitation, each with a minimum value equivalent to EURO 1,500,000 (one million five hundred

¹ JVCA – Joint Venture, Consortium or Association

thousand), successfully and substantially² (at least 80%) completed either alone or as a member of a JVCA, with a minimum participation of 50%, during the last 10 years, starting 1st of January 2015 at the deadline for submission of the Expression of Interest.

- at least 1 successfully³ completed project during the last 10 years in supervision of works under FIDIC conditions of contract (Red Book) 1st edition 1999 or 2nd edition 2017 (with amendments) and 1 completed project as per the World Bank's Small Works Conditions of Contract with a minimum amount of 50% own input.

2.2 Experience of Consultant in similar locations:

- For evaluation purposes, 'similar locations' will be considered: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan and countries from -Eastern Europe: Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Czech Republic, Slovenia and Estonia.

The information on the Consultant's experience shall be submitted in accordance with Table 1 and Table 2 below:

Table 1. Consultant's Experience List

Duration	Assignment name/& brief description of main deliverables/outputs	Name of Client & Country of Assignment	Approx. Contract value (in EURO)/ Amount paid to your firm	Role on the Assignment
{e.g., Jan.2012–Apr.2013}	{e.g., "Improvement quality of.....": designed master plan for rationalization of; }	{e.g., Ministry of, country}	{e.g., Euro1 mill/Euro0.5 mill}	{e.g., Lead partner in a JVCA A&B&C}

² Ongoing contracts will be considered substantially completed only if by the said cut-off date, the main supervision activities have been completed by the Consultant and the taking over certificate for the works supervised have been issued. Contracts on which the main supervision activities are still ongoing will not be considered.

³ The evidence of successful completion will be considered when provided a Taking-Over Certificate or equivalent acceptable to the Employer.

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{e.g., Jan-May 2013}	{e.g., “Support to sub-national government.....” : drafted secondary level regulations on.....}	{e.g., municipality of....., country}	{e.g., Euro0.2 mil/Euro0.2 mil}	{e.g., sole Consultant}

Table 2. Consultant’s Experience Form.

Project No.: ____ of 10	
Project name:	Approx. value of the Works Contract: Approx. total value of the Supervision Contract: Approx. value of the services provided by your firm:
Country:	Start date (month/year):
Location within the country:	Completion date (month/year) ⁴ :
Name of Client:	Duration of Project (months):
Funding source:	No. of professional staff provided by the firm: No. of person-months of professional staff provided by the firm:
Name of associated Consultants:	No. of professional staff provided by affiliate companies: No. of person-months of professional staff provided by affiliate companies:

⁴ The evidence of successful completion will be considered when provided a Taking-Over Certificate or equivalent acceptable to the Employer.

	Type of FIDIC contract used for works subject to the supervision:
Contractual role of the firm(s):	Name of senior professional staff and functions performed:
<p>Narrative description of Project: <i>[brief description]</i></p> <p>Please provide details of the works supervised including the following aspects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Supervision of the works in accordance with FIDIC conditions of contract (Red Book) 1st edition 1999 or 2nd edition 2017 (with amendments) or as per the World Bank's Small Works Conditions of Contract;</i> ➤ <i>Review / approval of Construction Drawings;</i> ➤ <i>Preparation of Variations, Analysis of Claims in accordance with Conditions of Contract;</i> ➤ <i>Contract administration (correspondence, reports, minutes of meetings, document control / contract records, reporting to Employer and Funding agencies);</i> ➤ <i>Environmental / Social monitoring and reporting;</i> ➤ <i>Concrete Bridge Construction;</i> ➤ <i>Bridge Rehabilitation;</i> ➤ <i>Drainage structures (culverts / ditches);</i> ➤ <i>Earthworks construction;</i> ➤ <i>Asphalt mix design and construction (binder, SMA);</i> ➤ <i>Roadside furniture (signs, safety fencing and road marking);</i> ➤ <i>Relocation of Utilities (gas / water / electrical / communications).</i> <p>Which type of contract was used for a construction contract under supervision</p>	
Description of actual services provided by your staff within the Project	
Detailed description of the actual services provided by associate companies:	

The following shortlisting criteria and weightings are applicable for the evaluation of Consultant's qualifications:

Criteria • Sub criteria	Weighting
Company Profile	10%
• Core business/structure and years of experience	5%
• Technical and administrative capacity	5%
Company Experience	90%
• Experience of consultant in similar assignments	80%
• Experience of consultant in similar locations	10%

In order to determine the capability and experience of consulting firms, the information submitted with the EOI shall include a brief description of the Consultant's organization and an outline of the recent experience of the Consultant that is most relevant to the assignment. In the case of a joint venture, information on similar assignments shall be provided for each partner. For each assignment, the outline should indicate the names of the Consultant's Key Experts and Sub-consultants who participated, the duration of the assignment, the contract amount (total and, if it was done in a form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy, the amount paid to the Consultant), and the Consultant's role/involvement.

It is expected that the Consultant's team shall comprise of the following Key Experts:

- Team Leader / Engineer's Representative (TL/ER)
- Materials Engineer (ME)
- Quantity Surveyor (QS)

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The submitted EOI shall not exceed 40 pages.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost-Based Selection method (QCBS) set out in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers", September 2023, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.15 3.16, 3.17 and 3.18 of the abovementioned World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers", 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.

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

Expressions of Interest prepared in English must be delivered to the Client to the address below, marked "Expression of Interest" for Consulting Services for Construction Supervision

of Corridor 8 - G88: Cornești – Boghenii Noi – Năpădeni – M5 and G86: G88–Dereneu–G85: Lot 1 G88: Cornești – Boghenii Noi – Năpădeni – M5, km 0+00 – km 16+200 and Lot 2: section 2.1: G88: Cornești – Boghenii Noi – Năpădeni – M5, km 16+200 – km 25+090, and section 2.2: G86: G88–Dereneu–G85, km 0+00 - km 8+395 (**by e-mail**) to the address mentioned below **by June 30th, 2025, at 10:00 AM**, local time, (**or in person**) in the hard copy (placed in an envelope, one original and one copy) and one electronic copy on memory stick.

Expressions of Interest received after this time and date will not be considered.
Consultants should be aware that distance and customs formalities may require longer than expected delivery time.

Executing Agency (Client)

State Road Administration

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