REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(CONSULTANT SERVICES – LOCAL INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT – MRCP/I2/01)

ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST

Moldova Rural Connectivity Project (P180153)

The objective of the Rural Connectivity Project for Moldova is to improve climate-resilient road connectivity in selected rural communities and to enhance road transit through selected border crossings with Romania.

I. OBJECTIVE OF THE CONSULTANCY

The objective of the assignment is to support the Client, the Î.S. "Administrația de Stat a Drumurilor", in the implementation and oversight of environmental aspects related to Project implementation. The environmental specialist is expected to lead, manage and coordinate timely environmental standards implementation and ensure compliance with the World Bank and national requirements of the Republic of Moldova. The environmental specialist shall ensure that all environmental aspects are integrated into the project activities in line with the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) documents.

II. QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Mandatory requirements:

- University degree in environmental sciences, environmental engineering, or construction engineering or a related field;
- A minimum of 7 (seven) years of relevant work experience in environmental assessment, risk management, or site environmental supervision of construction works;
- Proven experience in working with private or public sector to identify environmental risks, develop mitigation measures to ensure compliance with good international practice and preparation of Environmental Assessments / Management Plans for governmental organizations, NGOs and/or local communities;
- Expert knowledge of related national, EU legislation required; knowledge of WB environmental policies and standards;
- Proficiency in English and Romanian languages;

Possession of the following qualifications would be considered advantage:

- Knowledge on Project Monitoring and Evaluation;
- Understanding of Moldovan legislation on access to information, public consultation, grievances, etc.;
- Experience in environmental management in infrastructure projects, e.g. large constructions, roads, public civil works projects;
- Experience of designing and managing occupational health and safety programs for construction undertakings;

- Experience in planning and conducting public consultation meetings with different stakeholders;
- Willingness to undertake regular field visits and interact with different stakeholders;
- Computer skills (MS Office and familiarity with project management software, such as MS Project).

III. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The main workplace of the Environmental Specialist will be in Chisinau, with the need for periodic visits in other localities of the country.

The Environmental Specialist will be hired on a contractual basis. The Consultant shall provide services for the life of the Project, i.e. until **November 30, 2029** as currently planned.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained following a request to the Client to the e-mail address below.

IV. SELECTION

The Client now invites eligible individual 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.

A firm is eligible to nominate an individual, however, only the experience and qualifications of the nominated individual shall be considered in the selection process, and the corporate experience shall not be taken into account. The firm, if proposing an individual, must specify whether the contract would be signed with the firm or the proposed individual.

The selection of the Consultant will be conducted in accordance with the World Bank 'Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers: Procurement in IPF of Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services,' dated September 2023.

Interested qualified candidates should submit their expressions of interest and CVs, with the mark ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALIST not later than **November 22, 2024**, local time 16:00 at the email address below.

Executing Agency (Client) State Road Administration

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