REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

ALBANIA

WATER RESOURCES IRRIGATION PROJECT ADDITIONAL FINANCING

**Project ID: No.: P121186**

**IBRD Loan: No.: 8817 - AL**

Assignment Title: “Local Consultant to support MoARD on technical oversight for the CWs and Supervision contract for rehabilitation works of irrigation schemes (location in Municipality of Has, Kuçove, Maliq & Lushnja) and safeguards compliance”

Reference No.: [WRIP/1/IC/002](https://step.worldbank.org/secure/activity/P121186/166377?isArchive=N&lang=EN&agencyCode=5823)

This Request for Expressions of Interest (REoIs) follows the General Procurement Notice for Water Resources and Irrigation Project Additional Financing that was posted in *Development Business* online on September 12, 2018, DB Reference No. WB7526-09/18.

The Government of Albania has received an additional funding of US$ 27 million equivalents from the World Bank toward the cost of the Water Resources and Irrigation Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds for Consulting Services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include:

*Main Goal of this Assignment*

The objective of this Consultancy Services is to assist the Ministry of Agriculture and Water Administration (MoARD) and relevant departments for a proper management and monitoring of the:

* Civil Works Contract for the: *Rehabilitation of irrigation schemes: Tregtan 2, Tregtan 3, Slanice, Leminot, Murriz-Thana: Lushnja branch – Upstream & Murriz-Thana: Cukas branch,* RFB No: *WRIP/1/W/001*;
* Consulting Services’ Contract “*Supervisory Services for rehabilitation works of six irrigation schemes (Tregtan2, Tregtan3, Leminot, Slanica, Muriz Thana Cukas Branch and Muriz Thana Lushnja Lot 1 Branch)” (Ref. No. WRIP/1/CS001a)*

*Scope of Works*

To effectively achieve the above-mentioned objectives the Consultant is expected to undertake a number of tasks (listed below) through continuous control and monitoring, including field works and related tasks and control of completeness of the Technical documentation.

The specific tasks and responsibilities of the Consultant shall comprise, but not necessarily be limited to the tasks listed below. She/He will assist the MoARD to:

1. Administering the Civil Works contract Ref. RFB No: *WRIP/1/W/001* “*Rehabilitation of irrigation schemes: Tregtan 2, Tregtan 3, Slanice, Leminot, Murriz-Thana: Lushnja branch – Upstream & Murriz-Thana: Cukas branch*” in accordance with the Contract’s conditions and Technical Specifications, as well as, the Client’s order for the monitoring, controlling, coordination and support for the Contract’s implementation until final handing over procedures.

The work of the Consultant in the field will be focused in close monitoring of the physical progress of the Civil Works according to the Works Program prior approved by the Supervisor, and carefully control the works’ quality as per Technical Specification. The office’s work will be focused in the control of completeness of the Technical documentation and any modifications to the original design, in accordance with the Technical Design, control of the IPCs (Interim and Final Payment Certificates) both, regarding their accuracy compared to executed works and any amendments of the same and technical documentation necessary for such amendments. The control will, also, be based on the information taken during the sites inspection, as necessary. In addition, the Consultant will assist MoARD on the preparation of all related documentations and correspondences concerning the contracts’ administration. The work of the Consultant will be, also extended during the Defect Liability Period (DLP) and a little while after that, as necessary.

1. Administering the Supervisory Contract for “*Supervisory Services for rehabilitation works of six irrigation schemes (Tregtan2, Tregtan3, Leminot, Slanica, Muriz Thana Cukas Branch and Muriz Thana Lushnja Lot 1 Branch)” (Ref. No. WRIP/1/CS001a)* and monitoring his performance according to the Contract’s conditions, as well as, the Client’s order for the monitoring, controlling, coordination and support for the Contract’s performance until final handing over procedures.

*Key Qualifications*

A qualified and experienced Consultant will be hired in order to respond to the objectives of this Consulting Services. The candidate suitable for this position should have the following qualifications:

* University degree in disciplines related to the Construction Engineering, preferable in Hydraulics;
* Overall working experience out of which at least 8 years of professional experience of which min 5 years in the field of assignment as Resident Engineer/Inspector and quantity surveyor (Hydraulics/Civil Engineer);;
* Combination of academic background and work experience is desirable.
* Proven experience and technical ability to coordinate activities of infrastructure projects, preferable, construction/rehabilitation works in irrigation, drainage systems, demonstrated in at least 1-2 projects.
* Experience in the World Bank funded projects would be an advantage;
* Knowledge and experience in contract management under the FIDIC and the World Bank Procurement Guidelines would be considered an asset.
* Record keeping, very good technical writing skills and ability to prepare the progress reports;
* Knowledge of English language and computer literacy are required;
* Driving license is desirable;

*Timing*

It is envisaged that the implementation period for the required consulting services will be 15(fifteen)months but no longer than 30 May 2020 which is the deadline of the WRIP.

*Expression of interest and Contracting*

The assignment for this Consulting Services are separate in two contracts:

* First contract of 4 (four) schemes, Tregtan 2 &3, Leminot and Slanica and;
* Second contract of 2 (two) schemes Muriz Thana Cukas Branch and Muriz Thana Lushnja Lot 1 Branch.

The Consultants may give the Expression of Interest for one or both lots, but the contract award should be only for one above contract.

Interested Consultants may obtain further information concerning the Terms of Reference at the official website of MoARD:<http://bujqesia.gov.al/projekti-i-burimeve-ujore-dhe-ujitjes/>, or at the address below, during office hours 09:00 to 16:00 (Monday to Thursday) and 09:00 to 13:00 on Friday.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MoARD) now invites qualified individuals to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested candidates should provide: (i) motivation letter, underlining their advantages concerning this position, (ii) Curriculum Vitae, as well as, (iii) information that indicates that the candidates have required qualifications to carry out the Consulting Services, and (iv) various references.

All documents should be submitted in English language.

The selection method to be applied is **Individual Consultant (IC),** in accordance with the procedures for the selection of the Individual Consultants, set out in the World Bank’s Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, Procurement in Investment Project Financing

Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services July 2016, Section VII. Approved Selection Methods: Consulting Services.

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Expressions of Interest (EoIs) must be delivered no later than November 21, 2018: hardcopy (in person or by mail) to the address below, within office hours, and electronically at the above e-mail address.

Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (Protocol office)

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