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

REPUBLIC OF SERBIA ROAD REHABILITATION AND SAFETY PROJECT (RRSP)

EMERGENCY WORKS COMPONENT

WB Loan No. 8255-YF EIB Loan No. 2012-0367 EBRD Loan No. 44750

CONSULTING SERVICES FOR TECHNICAL CONTROL OF DESIGNS AND SUPERVISION OF ROAD EMERGENCY WORKS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

Reference No. RRSP/EW-SaE/2014-01

The Republic of Serbia has received financing from the World Bank, European Investment Bank and European Bank for Reconstruction and Development toward the cost of the Road Rehabilitation and Safety Project (the Project) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include provision of the technical control of designs in accordance with the law of the Republic of Serbia and supervision of works, including contract management and environmental monitoring, during the implementation of the Emergency Works as component of the Project which results from the need of urgent reaction, remedy of defects and prevention of further damage on roads resulting from the serious flooding that affected the Republic of Serbia in May 2014.

The Services would cover app. 188 km of sections to be rehabilitated and repaired as part of the Project emergency component through 10 works contracts awarded based on design and build contract conditions model.

The sections to be rehabilitated and repaired under the Emergency Works are the following:

- 1. IB 27 Aranđelovac 4 Krćevac, length=8.713 km
- 2. IB 27 Lazarevac 4 Aranđelovac 1, length=17.607 km
- 3. IB 27 Zavlaka 2 (Likodra) Valjevska Kamenica, length= 24.750 km
- 4. IB 27 Loznica 5 Zavlaka 2 (Likodra), length= 18.600 km
- 5. IB 26 Mali Zvornik Banja Koviljača and IB 28 Mali Zvornik Ljubovija 1 (Bratunac) (from km 28+160 to km 41+686), length=27.680 km
- 6. IB 28 Mali Zvornik Ljubovija 1 (Bratunac) (from km 4+540 to km 28+160), length=23.620 km
- 7. IIA 152 Topola Rudnik, length=27.280 km
- 8. IB 31 Raška 2 granica APKiM (Jarinje), length= 11.486 km
- 9. IB 26 Mišar Šabac 4 (Jevremovac), length= 9.249km

The Services would also cover the rehabilitation and repair works on 11.5 km on the section Korenite – Krupanj which would be implemented as part of separate Project financed through the Grant of EU Delegation.

The objective of Services is to ensure that (i) main road rehabilitation and remedy designs (i.e. main emergency works designs) are prepared in accordance with level of completeness and validity in accordance with the Terms of Reference and legal and technical regulations of the Republic of Serbia; (ii) works, materials, equipment and workmanship are in compliance with the required standards and contract conditions, (iii) works are planned in an orderly manner and completed to the required standard and in due time, (iv) contract management under the Emergency Works is performed in accordance with the world's best practices and the highest professional ethics, thus securing the best effects of the money at hand; (v) the Environmental Management Plan is completed in accordance with Environmental Framework Document (EFD) within main design for each section under the works and Contractor's Environmental Protection Plan is properly followed during the Project implementation, (vi) road safety conditions that allow safe and undisturbed traffic for all traffic participants are provided within the main design, and consequently during the works execution and road exploitation; and (vii) site safety measures providing safe site and work zones are applied to the highest possible level.

The Services will include but shall not be limited to the following:

- independent review and control of main designs, as requested by regulation of the Republic of Serbia, including continuous audit of the designers' activities and obligations, scope of investigations, analyses and obtained results, before preparation of the final rehabilitation and remedy proposal;
- b) assistance in provision of the construction permits for works;
- review of road and traffic safety conditions during design preparation phase and later during the works execution and provision of recommendations for possible improvements in each phase;
- supervision of contractors' performances in all aspects of fulfillment of their obligations, responsibilities and undertakings with respect to carrying out and timely completion of the contracts;
- e) implementation of the provisions of EMP during the contract execution;
- f) preparation of documents, and particularly of technical and financial reports, to be submitted either to the Client or the Banks;
- duties and responsibilities as may be delegated by the Client, to the Consultant, carrying out of such duties, including associated duties towards the Client and the Banks;
- h) provision of necessary evidentiary records and analyses and bearing expert witness to defense of the Client's case if any disputative issues arise from the Project.

Planned duration of the Services is 13 months (August 2014 – September 2015).

The Public Enterprise "Roads of Serbia 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. The shortlisting criteria are: company profile (reputation and strength of the company), adequacy for the assignment and experience in performance of services of similar nature (relevant references) and technical and staff capacities.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants Junder IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers dated January 2011 ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment: Neither consultants (including their personnel and sub-consultants), nor any affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that firm, shall be hired for any assignment that, by its nature, may be in conflict with another assignment of the consultants. In that sense, please pay attention to the fact that the assignments resulting from these Services are in direct conflict of interest with obligations and activities of designers engaged under the contracts for the Emergency Works, and that therefore the Consultant (including their personnel and sub-consultants), or any affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that firm, intending to take part in this selection must keep in mind the stated relations.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a subconsultancy to enhance their qualifications.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the FBS (fixed budget selection) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 08:00 to 15:00 (local time)

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Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by August 11, 2014.

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