

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES)

ALBANIA

Project: Western Balkans Trade and Transport Facilitation Project Using the Multiphase Programmatic Approach

Loan No.: IBRD-89330-AL

Assignment Title: “Transport Engineer of the Project Implementation Unit in Albania”

Reference No.: WBTTF-ALB-411B-2

The Government of Albania (GoA) has received financing from the World Bank for the Western Balkans Trade and Transport Facilitation project (WBTTFP). The project is part of the first phase of the joint Program for the Western Balkans countries, which intends to facilitate the achievement of their governments’ goal of reducing trade costs and increasing transport efficiency through a longer-term, adaptive, and continuous engagement. Phase 1 includes Albania, North Macedonia, and Serbia. Phase 2 includes Montenegro, and future phases may include Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosovo,

The project follows an integrated approach including three connected dimensions, to help reduce trade costs and increase transport efficiency in the Western Balkans. These include measures aimed at: (i) Facilitating cross- border movement of goods, (ii) enhancing transport efficiency and predictability; and (iii) enhancing market access for trade in services and investments.

The local project consultant is expected to plan, monitor, control and give technical advice on all the transport and engineering related activities, in close cooperation with the Head of the PIU and the contractors and consultants, as well as the Ministry of Economy, Culture and Innovations (MoECI), Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy and other agencies (as described in the POM).

In addition, he/she will closely monitor the implementation of the activities in order to coordinate the inputs from the different actors, ensure excellent technical execution, quickly address design challenges and efficiently react to unexpected developments. Aware of the project cycle and Procurement Plan, the implementation of activities as per contract specifications and in compliance with the legal/regulatory framework of the World Bank, he/she will ensure that works, goods and services are satisfactorily completed on time, within budget, aligned with the contractual requirements and in a coherent way across components.

This assignment is expected to commence in September 2024, and is expected to terminate upon in December 2025, and renewable subject to satisfactory performance.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment are attached to this request for expressions of interest or can be found at the following website <https://financa.gov.al/>.

The Ministry of Finance now invites eligible Individual Consultants (“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 consultant should have:

- Educational qualifications: A master’s degree in engineering sciences.
- Area of professional expertise: Design and Construction, Transport management

(maritime and road).

- Years of experience: Minimum of 7 years in Engineering, regional working experience is desirable.
- Additional qualifications and training: Intelligent Transport Systems
- Required skills and competencies:

Skills/Competencies	Required	Desirable
Technical	Infrastructure Design and Construction, proven knowledge's and/or experience on FIDIC rules Transport Engineering (maritime and road) Project Management with multiple stakeholders Excellent command in English language Computer skills: AutoCAD, Word, Excel, scheduling tools (eg: MS Project	Trade policies Intelligent Transport Systems Border Crossings Regional working experience
Management	Self-Planning & Organizing Problem Solving Communication Teamwork Initiative	
Business	Excellent Knowledge of English language (reading, speaking and writing)	Excellent knowledge of Albanian language (in writing reports, presentations etc.)

The service will be selected under the provisions of the World Bank Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (Procurement Regulations), in investment project financing Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services, dated July 2016, revised November 2017 based on the method of Open Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants (IC), Time- Based Contract.

Expressions of interest (CV, Cover letter and documentary evidence for fulfilling the qualifications) must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person, by mail or electronically by e-mail within 10th of September 2024.

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