## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTANCY SERVICES - INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT

**ROMANIA** 

INTEGRATED NUTRIENT POLLUTION CONTROL PROJECT - ADDITIONAL FINANCING

Assignment Title: Procurement Expert - 1 position

Loan No. 8597 RO

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The Government of Romania has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Integrated Nutrient Pollution Control Project-Additional Financing and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

Under the present assignment, The Ministry of Waters and Forests (MWF) (the Client), through the Project Management Unit (PMU) responsible for the implementation of Integrated Nutrient Pollution Control Project seeks contracting specialized consultancy services of an Individual Consultant - Procurement Expert to contribute to and facilitate the development and implementation of PMU's Procurement function in accordance with established procurement procedures.

The initial duration of the contract is **two years** including a probationary period of six months, with a possibility of extension, should the assessment of the business needs justify a continuation of the contract.

The Terms of Reference for the *Procurement Expert* are annexed to this Request for Expressions of Interest.

The Ministry of Waters and Forests - Integrated Nutrient Pollution Control Project Management Unit 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 Individual consultant - Procurement Expert will be selected on the basis of her/his relevant experience, qualifications, and capability to carry out the assignment.

One individual consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers, January 2011, revised July 2014 for Individual Consultants method. Firms are not allowed to propose individual consultants.

In order to be able to charge the Client for the activities performed under these terms of reference, the expert must be either a person authorized under the Law 300/2004 regarding the authorization of individual persons and family associations to carry out independent activities or to act under a limited liability company or another form of organization that enables him/her to issue invoices for the services provided. In any of the cases, the Consultant should be aware that the services will be provided only by the selected Individual Consultant and no substitution of any individual who was initially selected will be permitted.

The qualifications and experience required:

- Academic education, preferably in one of the following areas: public administration, business administration, economics, engineering, legal sciences or another relevant ancillary area;
- At least 10 years of working experience;
- At least 7 years of practical experience in the public procurement area;
- Proficient knowledge and understanding of the principles governing public procurement
- Sound knowledge and working experience with World Bank's procurement procedures as well as with Romanian public procurement legislation;
- Knowledge and working experience with other International Financing Institutions would be an advantage;
- Advanced PC skills and sound knowledge of MS Office package: MS Word, Excel, Outlook, Power Point and of MS Project;
- Excellent command of spoken and written Romanian and English is a must;
- Integrity, Proactive, Strong communication and reporting skills and ability to work in multidisciplinary teams.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers, January 2011, revised July 2014. ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from Monday to Thursday -  $9^{00}$  to  $16^{00}$  hours and Friday -  $9^{00}$  to  $14^{00}$  hours.

Expressions of interest and CVs, in English, must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by 08 August, 2017, 10:00 local time. To validate the information presented in the CV, the candidate will attach all the relevant supporting documents (studies diploma(s), recommendations, language certificates, training diplomas, certifications etc.).

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