REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**ROMANIA**

**INTEGRATED NUTRIENT POLLUTION CONTROL PROJECT – ADDITIONAL FINANCING**

Loan No. **8597 RO**

**Assignment Title:** Consulting services for Contracts administration and supervision of the works execution for “Manure Management Platforms and Composting Station in 51 local communities

**Reference No**. (as per Procurement Plan): **03/LCS/2020**

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.

The consulting services (“the Services”) refers to activities of Supervision of civil works execution and management of works contracts, in accordance with the provisions of the related contractual documents, World Bank requirements and safeguards policies, relevant Romanian legislation in force and best practices, to ensure that the works are executed and completed in a timely manner, the requested quality and standards are met and the requested related records are properly elaborated and kept.

The Ministry of Environment, Waters and Forests now invites eligible consulting firms or associations of such firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. **NGOs can only participate as sub-consultants.**

Detailed information, including duration of the assignment, is provided in the related Terms of References (ToRs) published on <http://apepaduri.gov.ro> and on the Project Site [www.inpcp.ro](http://www.inpcp.ro).

Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The Expressions of Interest must provide information indicating that the Consultant is qualified to perform the Services.

The short-listing criteria are:

* **general qualifications - 20 points**

*Consultants shall provide information on the following: address, contacts, number and country of registration; core business and years in business; presentation of services provided, references, letters of recommendation from previous clients; In the context of the ToRs of this assignment, please summarize the relevant technical and financial qualifications of your firm/ joint-venture association/each member of the JV, as the case may be; Consultant should demonstrate a relevant general professional experience of preferably not less than 5 years;*

* **specific experience - 40 points**

*Consultants (or any of the members, in case of joint-venture associations) will provide detailed and relevant information on their consulting experience in the field of the assignment: consulting services for* **supervision of works execution****and administration of works execution contracts** *conducted for similar projects (building constructions and/or other infrastructure related works, that are similar to the type, complexity and size of the works described in the present ToRs), experience in similar conditions;*

*Indicate the most relevant projects that the firm/ joint venture association or any member of the joint venture, implemented during the last preferably 5 years. Please include at least a number of 3 projects. Outline the country/ experience of the firm/ joint venture association / member of the joint venture.*

* **availability of appropriate specialized staff - 40 points**

*Consultants will provide information regarding the availability of appropriate specialized staff for the assignment; will indicate number of employed staff and freelance collaboration experts and their general and specific qualifications and experience; will present how this total number of employed and collaboration experts the Consultant worked with evolved during the past 5 years; will present the management of the company (and of each member of the JV, if it is the case); will provide information on the existence of any labor litigation history (including pending) and their court award decisions.*

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.

***Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications. The “association” may take the form of a Joint Venture or a sub-consultancy. In case of a Joint Venture (JV), all members of the JV will be evaluated jointly for the purpose of short listing and shall be jointly and severally liable for the assignment. Interested consultants shall clearly indicate in their Expression of Interest the structure of their “association” and the duties of each member and of sub-consultant(s), if any. Please note that a firm shall submit only one Expression of Interest in the same selection process either individually as a consultant or as a partner in a joint venture.***

A short-list will be prepared in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs 2.6, 2.7 and 2.8 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”).

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the provisions of **Least Cost Selection** method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained by telephone or e-mail at the coordinates below during office hours Monday-Thursday from 09:00 to 17:00 hours and Friday from 09:00-13:00 hours.

Considering the current pandemic situation, Expressions of Interest must be delivered in a written form to the electronic coordinates below, **only by e-mail**, by **05 of June 2020, 13:00 hours**, **local time.**

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*Note. During this period, in which we all face different difficulties as a result of the COVID-19 epidemic, we assure you that we still remain available via telephone contacts and / or e-mails.*

*We will continue to inform you promptly about the measures taken, so that we can carry out joint activities in the best possible conditions.*

*Thank you for your trust and for your efforts to ensure the continuity of our collaboration, by sending documents only in electronic format. Thus, we will achieve our common goals, while protecting the health of all involved.*