

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Georgia

KAKHETI CONNECTIVITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Project ID: P173782

Loan No: 9361-GE

Assignment Title: Environmental Specialist

Reference No. KCIP/CS/ICS-02

The Government of Georgia has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kakheti Connectivity Improvement Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Roads Department of the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia (RDMRDI) now invites eligible Individual Consultants (“Consultants”) to express their interest in providing the following services: **Environmental Specialist**. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The CVs of the candidates should cover the requested information.

The Environmental Specialist will help the RD to ensure that all physical works performed under the KCIP comply with the national environmental laws and regulations, relevant Environmental and Social Standards of the World Bank, and strictly follow Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMPs) provided as a part of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) reports on the construction of highway sections. Similar assistance to the RD shall be provided, upon demand, for the purposes of implementing other ongoing and upcoming World Bank supported projects led by the RD.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following link:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/z0zv396ket1i7cj/AADqDs5FPM1FXLze1QGWf4x3a?dl=0>

The Qualification Requirements for selection of the Environmental Specialist are as follows:

- Hold a university degree in the field of natural science;
- Be a qualified professional in the field of natural science with at least 5 (five) years of work experience, out of which preferably 3 (three) years shall be similar to the proposed assignment;
- Have working experience in environmental field, preferably under the projects funded by International Financial Institutions (experience of working in/for World Bank funded projects will be an advantage);
- Be familiar with the World Bank’s Environmental and Social Framework;

- Have relevant practical skills in environmental management. Hands-on experience in environmental management (preferably supervision assignments) of infrastructure development projects will be an advantage;
- Have practical experience in carrying out environmental assessments of and management planning for infrastructure development projects, and/or implementing such plans (practical experience in road projects will be an advantage);
- Be knowledgeable of the Georgian environmental laws, regulations, and standards;
- Possess superior verbal and writing communication skills in English and Georgian languages

The period of the consultancy services shall be 1 year (with possibility of downstream extension, subject to satisfactory performance) and the remuneration will be time-based.

Note: The Road Department reserves it's right to verify submitted references and use obtained information for evaluation purposes.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 [fourth edition, November 2020] ("Procurement Regulations"), 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: The consultant shall not receive any remuneration in connection with the assignment except as provided in the contract. The consultant and its affiliates shall not engage in consulting or other activities that conflict with the interest of the Client under the contract.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Open Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address: info@georoad.ge.

Expressions of Interest accompanied by CVs and other relevant information electronically or in printed materials must be delivered to the address below not later than **January 11, 2023, 18:00 hours**.

The Roads Department of the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia (RDMRDI).

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