

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC
Central Asia Road Links Project
Project ID No.: P132270

Rehabilitation of priority road links in Batken oblast: Isfana city to Kairagach (about 34 kilometers) Batken city to Kyzyl-Bel border crossing point (about 5 kilometer) and Batken city towards Isfana- (about 13 kilometers)
Construction Supervision Services

Reference No.: CARs/ICB-CW-Lot 1; CARs/ICB-CW-Lot 2

The Kyrgyz Republic has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Central Asia Road Links Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include the rehabilitation of priority road links in Batken oblast: Isfana city to Kairagach (about 34 kilometers) Batken city to Kyzyl-Bel border crossing point (about 5 kilometer) and Batken city towards Isfana- (about 13 kilometers). The main objective of this consulting assignment is the supervision of the civil works contract for the above mentioned road sections. The implementing agency for the assignment and the subsequent project Employer is the Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Kyrgyz Republic. Specifically, the services will include:

- Construction supervision of two lots under one probably two civil work contract(s);
- Provision of project implementation advice and assistance to MoTC; and wherever possible provide on-the-job training to local staff employed in the consultant's team and other staff in the MoTC and the road management units located in the area of the project.

For detailed information on the services, the draft TOR for the assignment, subject to change before issuance of RFP, is available upon request.

The Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Kyrgyz Republic 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 (company profile, organization and staffing etc.). The shortlisting criteria are:

1. Permanent work experience of at least 10 years in construction supervision in road construction projects;
2. Relevance of the company’s experience:
 - (a) Experience related to the assignment, mainly in construction supervision under the projects financed by IFIs;
 - (b) Experience to administer and implement the functions of the Engineer in FIDIC contracts (for MDBs);

3. Overall assessment of company's staffing arrangements and capacity (available permanent staff and pool, portfolio of ongoing projects);
4. Previous working experience in CIS; work experience in Central Asia/Kyrgyz Republic is an advantage.

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)* ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

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 Quality- and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 09-00 to 17-00 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) **by 5 pm, May 10, 2014**.

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