REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

Central Asia Road Links Project Project ID No.: P132270

For Consultants' Services for

Update of detailed engineering designs and safeguards documentation and supervision of civil works contract for road section - Tyup-Karkyra border crossing point (km 39-76) in Issyk-Kul Oblast

Reference No.: CARs/CS-QCBS-02

The Kyrgyz Republic has applied for financing from the International Development Association (IDA) toward the cost of the proposed Central Asia Regional Links Project, phase 3. The proposed project includes the rehabilitation of the road section from Tyup to Karkyra border crossing point with the Republic of Kazakhstan (km 39 to km 76) under Kyrgyz Category III road standards. The implementing agency for the assignment and the subsequent Project Employer is the Ministry of Transport and Roads of the Kyrgyz Republic.

The main objectives of these consultants' services are:

- 1) Update the detailed engineering designs and safeguards documentation
- 2) Tender Assistance
- 3) Supervision of the civil works contract for the above mentioned road section.

For detailed information on the scope of services, the draft TOR for the assignment is available, subject to adjustments before issuance of the Request for Proposals (RFP).

The Ministry of Transport and Roads 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. Minimum experience of at least 10 years in design and construction supervision of road and highway projects;
- 2. (a) Minimum 3 similar assignments of similar nature and size
 - (b) Experience to administer and implement the functions of the Supervision 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.
- 5. Financial strength/status including financial statements (annual turnover in the last three years), and net worth of the company.

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, February 27, 2017.

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