

DEADLINE EXTENSION

from February 2, 2022, to February 9, 2022

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS

Republic of Serbia

The Serbia Railway Sector Modernization Project (SRSM)

Project ID No. P170868

Assignment Title:

Individual Consultant (part time) – Occupational, Health and Safety Specialist

Reference No. SER-SRSM-IC-CS-21-10

For the purpose of financing Serbia Railway Sector Modernization Project, Phase 1 of the MPA, IBRD and the Agence Francaise de Développement (AFD), jointly, granted to the Republic of Serbia EUR 102 million loan to support enhancing the efficiency and safety of existing railway assets and improving governance and institutional capacity of the railway sector and the Republic of Serbia intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for consulting services to be procured under this project.

Scope of Work

The OHS Specialist of the PIU will be responsible to perform the following duties as per the Serbian Legislation and the World Bank policies:

- Check and approve programs and procedures on workplace health and safety designed by the selected Contractor(s);
- Recommend measures to help protect workers from potentially hazardous work methods, processes, or materials;
- Perform O&HS audits and inspect, test, and evaluate workplace environments, equipment, and practices to ensure that they follow safety standards and government regulations;
- Investigate root cause analysis of incidents and accidents to identify what caused them and how they might be prevented;
- Investigate complaints and inspect facilities/sites to ensure that they comply with legislation and regulations;
- Regularly deliver O&HS training at construction site to contractors, workers, and supervision
- In case of serious incident, inform the Bank within 72h and be responsible for preparing the complete accident report
- Prepare written reports on findings;
- Recommend suspension of activities that pose threats to workers' health or safety;
- Monitor the handling of hazardous materials or wastes;
- Assist the Head of the PIU in preparing the PIU Reports to the Clients and World Bank Cost, Time, Resources, and Scope;
- Close cooperation with other PIU staff to be selected for support to implementation of the Project, and
- Any other task assigned by the Head of the PIU.

It is expected that the period over which the consultant shall provide the Services will be 32 months, respectively by the end of the project dated December 30, 2026. The assignment is part-time and it is estimated that total input of the Consultant will be 320 days over the Contract period. The Consultant should be available to commence no later than one month after the contract signature.

In order to be selected, the Consultant must possess, at the minimum, the following qualifications:

- Bachelor's degree in occupational health and safety or a related scientific or technical field. Advanced degree will be an advantage;
- Minimum 10 years of general professional experience;
- Minimum 5 years of experience in organizing and managing health and safety at large construction sites;
- Certificate on professional exam on safety and health at work and certificate for fire protection;
- Excellent communications skills to present information, respond to questions and write reports;
- Previous experience with IFI or EU projects will be advantage;
- Experience working in construction/transport sector will be advantage;
- Fluency in Serbian and English language
- Computer skills: Word, Excel;
- Project Management with multiple stakeholders;
- Self-Planning & Organizing, Problem Solving, Communication, Teamwork, Initiative.

The detailed Terms of Reference for the above referenced consulting services is posted on the website of the Ministry of Construction, Transportation and Infrastructure (MCTI) www.mgsi.gov.rs/en/dokuments/serbia-railway-sector-modernization-srsm-project-piu.

The Central Fiduciary Unit (CFU) of the Ministry of Finance now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested consultants must provide Cover Letter and CV representing description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions and availability of appropriate skills (scanned diplomas to be sent with CV).

The evaluation criteria for the assignment:

- Qualifications and Competence relevant to the Assignment (40 Points)
- Specific Experience relevant to the Assignment (60 Points)

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 3.16 and 3.17 of the ***World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers – Procurement in Investment Project Financing Goods, World, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services, July 2016, revised November 2017, August 2018 and November 2020*** ("the Regulations") setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

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

Interested consultants may obtain further information from the CFU at the address below from 09:00 to 15:00 hours.

Expressions of interest in **English language** must be delivered to the e-mail address below by **February 9, 2022, 12:00 hours, noon, local time.**

When submitting Expressions of interest please indicate assignment and reference number for which you are applying.

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