

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION

Republic of Serbia

The Serbia Railway Sector Modernization Project (SRSM)

Project ID No. P170868

Assignment Title:

**Technical Design Review and Supervision of installation for 4
measurement stations**

Reference No. SER-SRSM-QCBS-CS-21-19-2

For the purpose of financing Serbia Railway Sector Modernization Project, Phase 1 of the Multiphase Programmatic Approach (MPA), the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (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. 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 Consultant will be assigned to perform technical design review of Preliminary Design(s) prepared by Contractor to be selected for supply and installation of measurement station and review and give consent on Performing Designs¹ and supervision of activities on supply, installation and commissioning of measurement stations in line with relevant national regulations and engineering practices.

All the activities to be executed by the Consultant are divided into 2 phases as follow:

- **Phase 1 – Design Review Phase** that includes activities relevant to a technical review of Preliminary Design(s) Designs will be prepared in accordance with Article 145 of Law on Planning and Construction ("Official Gazette of RS", No. 72/221A9, 81/221A9 - corrigendum, 64/2010 - US decision, 24/2011, 121/2012, 42/2013 - US decision, 50/2013 - US decision, 98/2013 - US decision, 132/2014, 145/2014, 83/2018, 31/2019, 37/2019 - other law and 9/2020) and Consaltant will be obliged to review it in accordane with Rulebook on the content, manner and procedure of preparation and manner of control of technical documentation according to the classes and purposes of the objects ("Official Gazette of RS", No. 73/2019),and
- **Phase 2 - Supervision and Works Contract administration** to provide full supervisory services during supply and installation works in accordance with the WB Conditions of Contract Plant, Design, Supply and Installation.

¹ Performing Design (srb. Projekat za izvođenje) - contains detailed technical solutions elaborating the details and technical solutions within the boundaries of the construction area, specified by the construction permit design. Performing Design can be drafted in phases, i.e. by segments, in line with the schedule of construction, i.e. execution of works.

Phase 1 – Design Review Phase assumes the following activities:

- Activity 1: Inception period
- Activity 2 Technical Design Review

Phase 2 - Supervision and Works Contract administration assumes the following activities:

- Activity 1: Pre-construction activities
- Activity 2: Services during Construction
- Activity 3: Equipment control and testing services
- Activity 4: Handover and commissioning activities

Contract duration for both Phases: 10 months starting from the commencement date.

The detailed Terms of Reference for the above referenced consulting services is posted on the website of the Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure (MoCTI):

<https://mgsi.gov.rs/cir/dokumenti/serbia-railway-sector-modernization-project-srsm-measurement-stations-supervision-and>

The Central Fiduciary Unit (CFU) of the Ministry of Finance now invites eligible 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.

The Consultant firm will be selected in accordance with QCBS (Quality and Cost Based Selection) method set out in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (July 2016, revised November 2017, August 2018 and November 2020).

The assignment will require a qualified consulting company that can demonstrate extensive experience in design/design review and supervision services for the contract. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications. Still, they should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture (JV) and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract if selected. Furthermore, Expressions of interest of JVs will be evaluated based on the composition of JV submitted, whereas the experience of other firms not included in the JV will not be considered in the evaluation. The experience of any proposed sub-consultancy shall not be included in the evaluation.

As a precondition for being considered for shortlisting, a firm or joint venture submitting the EoI must be a legal entity and must possess a valid company licences issued by RoS, in accordance with the Serbian law (Law on Planning and Construction - Article 126), namely:

- **P141E4** – Design of technical documentation for projects of management of electromotor facilities, automatics, measurements and regulation for public railway infrastructure with connections ;

As a proof, a firm shall submit the Decision on the fulfilment of conditions for stated licences issued by the Ministry in charge.

Alternatively, proof of intent to obtain the company licenses shall be accepted, where the acceptable proof must be a declaration issued and signed by the company or joint venture stating that the named company licenses shall be obtained and available at the time of contract signing. The declaration must identify the engineering staff and all other resources and requirements by which the conditions for obtaining the licenses shall be fulfilled. The conditions for obtaining company licenses can be found on the website of the Ministry of construction, transport and infrastructure of the Republic of Serbia on the following URL:

<https://www.mgsi.gov.rs/lat/dokumenti/pravilnik-o-nacinu-postupku-i-sadrzini-podataka-za-utvrdivanje-ispunjenosti-uslova-za>

Company or JV that doesn't submit the company licenses or stated proof of intent for obtaining the named licenses shall not be shortlisted in the EOI stage.

The consulting firms/JV that will submit Eoi shall possess the following experience and qualifications:

i) Experience in design/technical review of railway electrotechnical infrastructure projects

- Minimum one (1) successfully completed railway electrotechnical infrastructure design contracts or contracts for technical design review of electrotechnical railway designs in the last seven (7) years.

The acceptable levels of designs are Preliminary and Design for building permit, while concept / general/preliminary solutions (or equivalent) design references shall not be considered as relevant experience. Acceptable references for Technical design review contracts are for technical design reviews done in accordance with the Rulebook on content, method and procedure for control of technical documentation per class and purpose of facility ("Official Gazette of RS", No. 73/2019)

ii) Experience in railway electrotechnical infrastructure works supervision:

- Minimum one (1) project successfully completed in regards to performing supervision services of works on installation of measurement stations or similar railway electrotechnical facilities in the last ten (10) years.

iii) Availability of qualified experts within the company/joint venture

As proof of availability of qualified experts within their firm/JV listed in 5.1. Term of references, the bidder shall prepare an organization chart and a list of experts conforming to requested conditions within the company who are relevant to the assignment. The contents of the list should be short form table information for the available experts and their fulfillment of stated conditions (i.e. name and surname of the expert, years of experience, names of reference projects, owned licenses issued by RoS chamber of engineers).

As proof of experience, the bidder shall prepare reference forms, naming **ten (10) references maximum** for each stated requirement, clearly stating the following:

- Reference #
- Start date and completion date (mm/yy)
- Brief description of the design (10 sentence each maximum)
- Country of assignment with client name and address, and client reference contact
- Contract value
- Role on project

Submitted expressions of interest should be no larger than 30 pages of text, including reference forms.

Shortlisting of firms will be based on the following of points:

- i. Experience in railway infrastructure designs/technical review 40 points
- ii. Experience in railway infrastructure works supervision 40 points
- iii. Availability of qualified experts within the company 20 points

Key Experts' CV are not required and will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers – Procurement in Investment Project Financing Goods, Works, 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.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 09:00 to 15:00 hours.

Expressions of interest in English language must be delivered in a written form to the email below, by **March 3, 2023, 12:00 hours, noon, local time.**

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