

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 (full time) – Junior Transport Associate

Reference No. SER-SRSM-IC-CS-24-69

The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) launched the Multiphase Programmatic Approach (MPA) to support the Government of Serbia in the continuation of institutional, physical and operational modernization of the railway sector in an integrated manner by providing financial support to Serbia Railway Sector Modernization Project as part of the Multiphase Programmatic Approach to be implemented in three overlapping phases over the ten year period.

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.

Principle responsibilities

The Junior Transport Associate of the PIU will be responsible for the following duties:

- Assistance to PIU staff and participation in procedures of managing projects, from scoping and preparation of the ToRs up to the execution phase;
- Assistance to PIU staff in monitoring and coordination of the work of consultants throughout the Project's execution;
- Assistance to PIU staff in the coordination of project activities and ensuring their compliance with activities of MCTI, SV, SC and RD;
- Assisting the PIU staff, especially the Railway Experts and Transport Planer and Policy Expert, regarding technical inputs needed to prepare Bidding Documents, Requests for Proposals, Terms of Reference, Monitoring Reports etc
- Assisting to the Head of PIU and other PIU staff in preparing the PIU Reports to the MCTI and World Bank
- Assisting in preparation of the training plan in cooperation with PIU staff, especially the HR Specialist, and organization of the training courses for PIU, SV, SC and RD;
- Any other task of relevance for the project implementation as assigned by the Head of the PIU.

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

- Master's degree in Transport/Traffic Engineering;
- A minimum 1 year of professional experience, in a transport field;
- Computer skills: MS Office tools;
- Basic knowledge of institutional framework in the Republic of Serbia in the field of railways;
- Previous experience in the field of railway transport will be consider as an advantage;
- Experience in work within a multidisciplinary team;
- Fluent in English

The Consultant shall provide full-time services for the life of the Project, i.e. until December 31, 2026, with a probationary period of six (6) months. The consultant hired for a full-time position under Bank project is not allowed, at the same time, to hold another full time or part time assignment. The Consultant should be available to commence no later than one month after the contract signature.

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)

<https://www.mgsi.gov.rs/cir/dokumenti/serbia-railway-sector-modernization-project-srsm-individualni-konsultanti-piu-new-position>

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 General experience (60Points)
- Specific Experience relevant to the Assignment (40Points)

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 **August 8, 2024, 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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