

### REPUBLIKA E SHQIPËRISË ALBANIAN ROAD AUTHORITY PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION TEAM

# REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

ALBANIA
BUILDING RESILIENT BRIDGES PROJECT (BRBP)

Project ID No.: P174595 Loan No.: 94790-AL

Assignment Title: Design Review & Supervision of the Works for Vjosa Bridge &

Connecting Road

Reference No. AL-ARA-380712-CS-QCBS

The Government of Albania has received a loan in the amount of 51.6 million EUR financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Building Resilient Bridges Project (BRBP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the subject consulting service.

The consulting services ("the Services") comprise the activities necessary for the design review and supervision of works related to the Vjosa Bridge and its connecting road. The assignment is structured into three main phases: (i) review and update of existing designs for the new Vjosa Bridge and the rehabilitation of the 5 km connecting road - originally developed by separate consultants - into a cohesive, unified design package that complies with current engineering, safety, environmental, and climate resilience standards; this phase also includes preparation of Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), Resettlement Action Plan (RAP), and complete bidding documents; (ii) supervision of construction works, ensuring quality control, progress monitoring, and compliance with technical and environmental/social requirements; and (iii) post-construction services during the Defects Notification Period, including inspections, supervision of remedial works, and final certification.

The Consultant firm is expected to conduct the services for a maximum duration of six (6) months offering the approximate level efforts of one hundred forty-eight (148) man/months for essential staff and forty-six (46) man/months for non-essential staff. The intended commencement date is September 2025, depending on completion of service contract award procedure.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website <a href="https://www.arrsh.gov.al/">https://www.arrsh.gov.al/</a> (<a href=

The Albanian Road Authority 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.

The Consultant Firm must be able to demonstrate previous experience in similar assignments as follow:



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- Minimum of ten (10) years of previous international experience similar to the assignment;
- Successful completion of at least two (2) similar contracts within the last 5 years, which match the scope and complexity of this assignment; and
- The Consultant should not have any pending litigation and non-performing contracts during the last 5 years.

## The shortlisting criteria are:

- Core business and years in business (30 Points)
- Past experience in similar assignments (60 Points)
- Firms organization and staffing (10 Points)

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016 revised November 2020 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a subconsultancy. 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.

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 08:00 to 16:30 (Monday to Thursday) and 08:00 to 14:00 on Friday at the address given below.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person, or by mail, or by e-mail by May 9, 2025 at 14:00 hrs. local time.

The address referred to above is:

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