

## republika e shqipërisë ALBANIAN ROAD AUTHORITY WORLD BANK PROJECT MANAGEMENT TEAM

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

#### **ALBANIA**

Results-based Road Maintenance and Safety Project (RRMSP)

Project ID No.: P 132982

Loan No.: 8489 AL

Assignment Title: Feasibility Study and Detailed Design of the Road Bridge Rehabilitation and

Reconstruction in Albania

Reference No.: CS29

The Government of Albania has received a loan in the amount of 65.9 million EUR's financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Results-based Road Maintenance and Safety Project (RRMSP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The Government of Albania wants to design and implement the Feasibility Study and Detailed Design of the National Road Bridge Rehabilitation and Reconstruction in Albania, subject of this tender. The study will serve the preparation of a future investment project for the Rehabilitation and Upgrade of the National Road Network (NRN) Bridge in Albania. To do this, the study is expected to identify a set of priority Bridges within the NRN, requiring immediate rehabilitation or upgrade interventions within the next seven years' period, and to prepare the Detailed Designs, Environmental and Social Impacts Assessments, and Tender Documents.

The consulting services ("the Services") will be undertaken in the following sequential two phases:

- **Phase One:** This First Phase will consist of:
  - a) Condition Survey of the NRN Bridges
  - b) Pre-Selection of NRN Priority Bridges based on Sound Criteria
  - Preparation of a Feasibility Study of the NRN Bridges Rehabilitation and Upgrade, based on Technical, Economic, and Environmental and Social Impacts Assessments
- **Phase Two:** for the Priority Bridges selected under Phase One:
  - d) Reparation of Detailed Designs
  - e) Preparation of Tender Documents and a Procurement Plan

The ARA 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 shortlisting criteria are:

- Past experience in similar assignments;
- Firms organization and staffing;
- Core business and years in business;

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

- Previous successful experience in past 20 years of international experience,
- Recent experience (with at least 10 years) with similar projects scale and scope to these services.
- Experience in European Union as well as experience in the Balkan Region in last 10 years period

The Consultant firm is expected conduct the services for a maximum duration of eighteen (18) months offering the approximate level efforts of two hundred and thirty-nine (239) man/months for essential staff and fifty-nine (59) man/months for non-essential staff. The services to be provided by the Consultant is to carry out the Feasibility Study and Detailed Design of the Road Bridge Rehabilitation and Reconstruction in Albania. The consulting assignment shall be part of the Results-based Road Maintenance and Safety Project (RRMSP).

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*, and revised July 2014 ("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 sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be evaluated jointly for the purpose of shortlisting and 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 ARA in the address below, during office hours: **09:00 to 16:00.** Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to ARA address (in person, by mail, or by e-mail) not later than the **14**/*September*/2020.

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