REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – INTERNATIONAL CONSULTING FIRM)

GEORGIA

Third Regional Development Project (RDP III) – P150696 Loan No. 8494-GE

Description of Services for Preparation of Detailed Engineering Design for Rehabilitation of access road to Mitarbi and Kokhta ropeways, Extension of Parking Lot and Arrangement of Infrastructure at Didveli and Arrangement of a Parking Lot, Access Road and Infrastructure for the New Ropeway in Gudauri

Reference No: IBRD/RDPIII/CS/CQS/11-2016

MDF implements various regional and municipal development projects, including the Third Regional Development Project (RDP 3) financed by the World Bank Group and the Government of Georgia (GoG). The aim of the RDP 3 is to stimulate economic growth in Mtskheta-Mtianeti and Samtskhe-Javakheti regions through provision of enabling environment for increased tourist visitation and private investment. Arrangement of public tourist infrastructure in the areas adjacent to the cultural heritage monuments or tourist circuits is a type of activity supported by RDP 3.

MDF, in the capacity of Employer, seeks consultant services for the preparation detailed design for the rehabilitation of Mitarbi and Kokhtagora Ropeway Access Roads and Arrangement of two parking lots – one in Bakuriani and one in Gudauri. This sub-project (SP) is included into the work program of RDP 3. Present TOR details technical requirements and outputs expected from the sought consultancy.

This ToR covers several project sites, including the following:

- 1. Rehabilitation of access road to Mitarbi and Kokhta ropeways and organization of parking
- 2. Extension of Didveli parking lot and arrangement of infrastructure
- 3. Arrangement of a parking lot, access road and infrastructure for the new ropeway in Gudauri

Tentitive time for this assignment is 14 weeks.

The Municipal Development Fund of Georgia (MDF) as an Implementing Agency now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to express their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide **information/evidences** demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The shortlisting criteria are:

- 1. The consultant shall have similar contracts successfully carried out within the last five years. Rating shall be made on a combination of the value and the number of the relevant consultancy/design contracts. Weighted score for evaluation is 50%.
- 2. Local experience of similar contracts. Rating shall be made on a combination of the value and the number of the relevant consultancy/design contracts. Weighted score for evaluation is 20%.
- 3. The consultant shall have at least of 5 years General experience. Weighted score for evaluation is 30%.

Note: the MDF reserves it's right to request certificates of satisfaction issued by the employers, verify submitted references and use obtained information for evaluation purposes.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection ana Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers - <u>January 2011</u>, <u>revised July, 2014</u>. ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.*

Consultants may associate with other firms (Please take into account that form of association acceptable for the World Bank is either sub-consultancy or Joint-Venture and submission must clearly indicate the nature of the association. The experience of sub-consultants will not be taken into account while evaluating the corporate experience of the consultant).

Experience in the projects relevant to the assignment should be submitted in the Form N1 uploaded at MDF website on the following link: http://mdf.org.ge/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/Form-for-References.pdf

The consultants are strongly recommended to limit their Expression of Interest to 30 pages. Company brochures may be included as an Annex, and will not be affected by the limit of 30 pages.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Consultants' Qualifications (CQS) method set out in Section III of the <u>Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers - January 2011, revised July, 2014.</u>

The Terms of Reference of the assignment is available as Annex.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 09:00 a.m. to 18:00 p.m. at Procurement Unit of MDF, Phone number: +99532 2437001, extension 444 Ms. Eka Ezugbaia, Procurement Consultant.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in English in a written form to the address below (in person, by mail, or by e-mail) by **June 23, 2017, at 17:00.**

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