

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

**GEORGIA**

**Project Name: Innovation, Inclusion and Quality Project – Georgia (I2Q)**

**Project No.168481**

**Supervision of Civil Works under the Georgia Innovation, Inclusion and Quality Project**

Reference No: **IBRD/I2Q/CS/QCBS/07-2021**

**Georgia has received financing from the World Bank** towards the cost of the **Georgia I2Q - Innovation, Inclusion and Quality Project** and intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, and related services and consulting services to be procured under this project.

*The Project consists of the following key components:*

*Component 1- Improving Quality of and Access to Early Childhood Education and Care: Support to facilitate expanded access to quality pre-school education in selected pre-schools.*

*Component 2 – Fostering Quality Teaching and Learning in General Education: Support to provide a learning environment that is conducive to quality education in selected general education schools.*

*Component 3 – Strengthening Financing Options and Promoting Internationalization in Higher Education: Support to improve the quality and international competitiveness of higher education.*

*Component 4 – System Strengthening and Stakeholder Communication: Support to facilitate a shift in attitude towards learning.*

*Component 5 – Supporting Project Management, Monitoring, and Evaluations: Support capacity building for effective management and monitoring of the Project including provision of Operating Costs, Training, outreach and awareness campaigns, consulting services, M&E and, Project audits for (a) Project Management Team (PMT); and (b) Project Management Unit (PMU).*

The Project will be implemented over a six-year period by the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia (MES) and its subordinate government agencies and by the Municipal Development Fund of Georgia (MDF).

The objective of the assignment is the supervision of civil works under the project. The consulting services ("the Services") include day-to-day review and supervision of civil works. These works include both reconstruction/rehabilitation/renovation and construction of public school buildings with particular attention to structural works and implementation of the energy efficiency measures. The purpose of the civil works supervision is to execute control over the rehabilitation and construction works in order to ensure high quality of construction, adherence to the terms of work execution provided in the construction contracts that is in compliance with the detailed design and specification requirements, within costs and approved calendar of works.

In addition, as part of supervision of the civil works, the Consultant will conduct the full design review of the project including Bill of Quantities (in compliance with drawings) during the design preparation stage, to ensure that the design firms could revise the drawings accordingly.

The Consultant on behalf of the Employer will ensure the following:

- a) Prepared detail designs are of high quality in adherence to the valid standards, regulations and laws of Georgia and international standards and best practice;
- b) Construction/rehabilitation works is of high quality in adherence to the valid standards, regulations and laws of Georgia and international standards and best practice;
- c) Completion of works in accordance with the construction schedules, budget of the works contracts and required quality, which should result in long-term sustainability and efficient operation of the completed works.

The objective of this assignment is to provide high quality civil works supervision and design review services under the project. This assignment will cover 60 schools from Project Component 2 – Fostering Quality Teaching and Learning in General Education.

*Detailed information about the assignment and services to be carried out is provided in the Terms of Reference, which is available on the following link below:*

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1T39z8NKBUkXSYIH6nnZlp9PDe1az8WkQ/view?usp=sharing>

The tentative duration of the assignment is until the construction of each facility is completed and the handover certificate is obtained, and it is estimated as 43 months.

The Municipal Development Fund (MDF) invites eligible consultants (“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. Expression of interest should cover, but not limited to: corporate profile, years in business, experience relevant to the project activities, key staff resources and core business.

**The shortlisting criteria are:**

- ✓ Similar experience within the last 7 years (i.e. since January 2014). Similar experience implies experience in supervision of construction and rehabilitation works of buildings. The candidate should have successfully completed at least two (2) Supervision Services (contracts) for buildings construction/rehabilitation during last 7 years. Each contract cost should be at least USD 500,000.00 in consultancy fee value including buildings’ construction/rehabilitation.
- ✓ Consultant should demonstrate the human resource capacity, namely having a team of personnel of proven competence and experience to undertake the tasks defined by the Terms of Reference. Key Experts (Team Leader, Architect, Structural Engineer, Energy Efficiency Expert) shall have the prerequisite experience specified in relation to their assignments and shall have an overall background in civil engineering and urban infrastructure projects including construction supervision and design review services.

*Note: the MDF reserves it’s right to verify submitted references and use obtained information for evaluation purposes.*

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 3.14 “Conflict of Interest” of the World Bank’s Guidelines: [World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrower, July 2016 revised August 2018”](#), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest. In addition, please refer to the following specific information on conflict of interest related to this assignment: The consultant shall not receive any

remuneration in connection with the assignment except as provided in the contract. The consultant and its affiliates shall not engage in consulting or other activities that conflict with the interest of the client under the contract. The contract shall include provisions limiting future engagement of the consultant for other services resulting from or directly related to the firm's consulting services in accordance with the requirements of paragraphs 3.16, 3.17 and 3.18 of the Regulations.

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.

Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultants Quality and Cost-based Selection (QCBS) method with international market approach set out in [\*World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrower, July 2016 revised August 2018"\*](#).

Further information can be obtained by e-mail [procurement@mdf.org.ge](mailto:procurement@mdf.org.ge) to Mrs. Eka Ezugbaia, World Bank Procurement Consultant.

**Expressions of Interest must be delivered electronically to the address below not later than June 21, 2021, 18:00 hours:**

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