

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

**Georgia
World Bank-SIDA Trust Fund (TF014912)
Georgia Sustainable Wastewater Management Project (P145040)**

**Assignment Title: Preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment Report for the rehabilitation and operation of Tskaltubo and Telavi waste water treatment plants
Reference No. SIDA/SWMP/CS/CQS/02-2014**

Georgia has applied for financing from Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency toward the cost of the Sustainable Wastewater Management Project (SWMP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment Report for the rehabilitation and operation of Tskaltubo and Telavi waste water treatment plants. The overall objective of this consultant assignment is to carry out an EIA of the Tskaltubo and Telavi WWTPs’ construction/rehabilitation and operation sub-projects and to prepare a full package of documentation for the submission to the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resource Protection for the ecological expertise and issuance of an environmental permit, in order to comply with the requirement of both – the national legislation and the World Bank safeguards policy.

The Consultant will perform the following tasks: Baseline assessment of the natural and social environment of the sub-projects’ areas to define sensitive receptors; Legal and Institutional Context; Expected Impacts; Analysis of Alternatives; Mitigation Measures; Environmental Management Planning; Public Disclosure and Consultation.

The assignment is expected to be completed within 24 months after commencement of services.

The Municipal Development Fund of Georgia 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. Expression of interest should cover, but not limited to: Experience relevant to the project activities, key staff resources, corporate profile. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Similar experience within the last 7 years (i.e. since January 2007).
- General experience.

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 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*. ("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 [*Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers - January 2011.*](#)

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 10:00 a.m. to 18:00 p.m. at Procurement Division of MDF, Phone number: +99532 2437001, extension 409, Mrs. Nata Peitrishvili, Procurement Specialist.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by **March 12, 2014, at 18:00.**

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