Municipal Development Fund of Georgia Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Loan N 2879/2880 - GEO: SUSTAINABLE URBAN TRANSPORT INVESTMENT PROGRAM – TRANCHE 2

Request for Expression of Interest for the Position of Local Environmental Safeguards' Specialist for SUTIP

Ref. No: SUTIP2-IC-01-2015

The Government of Georgia has received a loan from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to finance the Sustainable Urban Transport Investment Program – Tranche 2. Part of the loan proceeds will finance the captioned Project. The Municipal Development Fund of Georgia (MDF) will be the project executing, implementing and disbursing agency.

The SUTIP is financed by the ADB under a Multi-tranche Financing Facility (MFF), and is aimed at promoting a sustainable, integrated, socially-affordable and cost-efficient urban transport system in cities of Georgia, to energize the economy and improve the quality of life of citizens. Projects under the SUTIP will involve rehabilitation and repair of existing infrastructure (mainly roads and the underground railway), provision of new facilities (roads, tunnels, junctions, bridges, a Metro extension, etc.) and capacity building.

Under this project the Municipal Development Fund of Georgia announces Expression of Interest for selection of *National Individual Consultant* for the position of Local Environmental Safeguards' Specialist for SUTIP.

The general objective of the Local Environmental Specialist is to play an advisory role to the MDF and its departments in handling environmental tasks and issues which frequently are raised during ADB projects' implementation process and cut across sectors and/or work units.

The Local Environmental Consultant of the MDF will be responsible for management of the environmental aspects associated with development of ADB funded projects for which MDF is the responsible Executing Agency (EA).

The Local Environmental Specialist will be responsible for assisting MDF's Environmental and Resettlement Unit to lead and coordinate safeguard policy compliance for environmental protection and provide assessment during ADB projects' implementation. He/she will lead project formulation and implementation to ensure that ADB Safeguards Policy Statement (2009) requirements are met and work within general policies, principles and goals.

Local Environmental Consultant designated to supervise ADB projects will review the EIAs, EMPs, and SSEMPs of projects and carry out monitoring of the performance based on approved EMPs, EIAs, and environmental standards in accordance with ADB "Safeguard Policy Statement" (2009) requirements' and acting Georgian Legislation.

The Consultant shall carry out the Services with due diligence and efficiency corresponding to the duties of the Environment Specialist specified in the Scope of Work and Requirements of the government of Georgian, Relevant ADB guidelines and Publications for environmental works like as Safeguards Policy statement by (SPS) 2009 and terms of reference (TOR).

The consultant will be recruited by the MDF as an individual consultant on continuous basis. Tentative duration of the assignment is 24 months.

Knowledge and qualifications:

- (i) Master's degree in Environmental/Natural Science or Biology, or related area, is required;
- (ii) Familiarity with Georgian environmental laws, legal codes, ADB procedures, government regulations, executive orders, agency rules and etc. and ability to understand and apply them; excellent analytical skills to comprehensively analyze and interpret policies, procedures and situations in a multifaceted way;
- (iii) Knowledge and working experience of ADB funded projects supervision and monitoring in accordance with SPS, 2009;
- (iv) At least 15 years of overall working experience, and 8 years of specific working experience (in the field of environmental protection);
- (v) Experience and solid management skills in planning and implementing program/project activities, monitoring and evaluation of the results;
- (vi) Strong communication (written and verbal) and negotiating skills in Georgian and English languages;
- (vii) Good organizational, time management and problem-solving skills sufficient to prioritize work

- (viii) and complete assignments accurately, either independently or as part of a team, under pressure of competing deadlines, working from own initiative and/or following direction, policies, or procedures;
- (ix) Broad-based computer skills.

Interested Individual Consultants may obtain additional information at the Procurement Unit at the address provided below from 09:00 a.m. to 17:00 p.m. Phone number: (+99532) 243 70 01, extension 409, Ms. Nata Peitrishvili, Procurement Specialist.

Interest expression with CV shall be submitted at the link below no later than 17:00 p.m. of September 11, 2015:

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