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PUBLIC ENTERPRISE FOR STATE ROADS

REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

NATIONAL AND REGIONAL ROADS REHABILITATION PROJECT

Loan No.: 8420 - MK

Assignment Title: Road Safety Consultant and advisory services to establish Road

Safety Unit

Reference No.: NRRP-CS--QCBS-5

The Public Enterprise for State Roads of the Republic of Macedonia (PESR) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the National and Regional Roads Rehabilitation Project (NRRRP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

PESR seeks support from an international consultant company to help it in the establishment of a Road Safety Unit and introduction of necessary guidelines, internal rules to consider road safety in their work and developing a nation-wide road safety program for infrastructure. The consultant company will work with the designated Road Safety Unit in PESR throughout the activity. This assignment will be funded by PESR with funds of a WB loan for the National and Regional Roads Rehabilitation Project.

The consulting services ("the Services") include: (i) establishing and putting in operation the Road Safety Unit in PESR, (ii) preparing road safety audit guidelines and manuals; (iii) carrying out training for the Road Safety Unit staff and relevant staff in PESR; and (iv) developing a nation-wide road safety program.

The duration of the assignment will be eighteen (18) months from the start of services.

The Public Enterprise for State Roads 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:

- Minimum 15 (fifteen) years proven experience in preparing and managing projects related to road safety in infrastructure;
- Proven experience in projects assisting road authorities in improving their road safety practices related to road management;
- Practical experience in countries considered to have best practice in road safety.

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* published in January 2011 ("Consultant Guidelines"), 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:

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 1.9 Bank policy requires that consultants provide professional, objective, and impartial advice and at all times hold the client's interests paramount, without any consideration for future work, and that in providing advice they avoid conflicts with other assignments and their own corporate interests. Consultants shall not be hired for any assignment that would be in conflict with their prior or current obligations to other clients, or that may place them in a position of being unable to carry out the assignment in the best interest of the Borrower. Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, consultants shall not be hired under the circumstances set forth below:
- (a) Conflict between consulting activities and procurement of goods, works or non-consulting services(i.e., services other than consulting services covered by these Guidelines¹): A firm that has been engaged by the Borrower to

¹ See paragraph 1.7 of these Guidelines.

provide goods, works, or non-consulting services for a project, or any affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that firm, shall be disqualified from providing consulting services resulting from or directly related to those goods, works or non-consulting services. Conversely, a firm hired to provide consulting services for the preparation (before Loan effectiveness) or implementation of a project, or any affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that firm, shall be disqualified from subsequently providing goods, works or services (other than consulting services covered by these Guidelines) resulting from or directly related to the consulting services for such preparation or implementation. This provision does not apply to the various firms (consultants, contractors, or suppliers) which together are performing the contractor's obligations under a turnkey or design and build contract.

- (b) Conflict among consulting assignments: Neither consultants (including their personnel and sub-consultants), nor any affiliate that directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with that firm, shall be hired for any assignment that, by its nature, may be in conflict with another assignment of the consultants. As an example, consultants assisting a client in the privatization of public assets shall neither purchase, nor advise purchasers of, such assets. Similarly, consultants hired to prepare Terms of Reference (TOR) for an assignment shall not be hired for the assignment in question.
- (c) Relationship with Borrower's staff: Consultants (including their experts and other personnel, and sub-consultants) that have a close business or family relationship with a professional staff of the Borrower(or of the project implementing agency, or of a recipient of a part of the loan) who are directly or indirectly involved in any part of: (i) the preparation of the TOR for the assignment, (ii) the selection process for the contract, or (iii) the supervision of such contract may not be awarded a contract, unless the conflict stemming from this relationship has been resolved in a manner acceptable to the Bank throughout the selection process and the execution of the contract.
- (d) A consultant shall submit only one proposal, either individually or as a joint venture partner in another proposal. If a consultant, including a joint venture partner, submits or participates in more than one proposal, all such proposals shall be disqualified. This does not, however, preclude a consulting firm to participate as a sub-consultant, or an individual to participate as a team member, in more than one proposal when circumstances justify and if permitted by the RFP.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a subconsultancy to enhance their qualifications. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 09:00 to 16:00 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **August 4, 2015**.

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