

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI)**

**(CONSULTING SERVICES)**

**Individual Consultant**

**Tirana, 05 August 2024**

**Health System Improvement Project (HSIP)**

**Loan No: AL-84660**

**Project ID Number: P144688**

***Assignment Title:***  **Finance Management Expert for HSIP (full time)**

***Reference No.***

The Government of Albania has received additional financing, in the amount of EUR 25 million for the Health System Improvement Project in Albania, a loan of International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) to scale – up the activities of the parent project and ensure direct impact to the beneficiaries and further improvement of hospital care service provision in the country. The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (“World Bank”) is acting as administrator of the amount provided. The Ministry of Health (MoHSP) herein after referred as “the Client” has overall responsibility for the Project, and the Project Coordination is responsible for the implementation of the Project through its Project Management Team (PMT). The objective of the Project is to contribute to the modernization of selected public hospital services and to support the reconstruction of selected medical facilities damaged by the 2019 earthquake. The Project consists of the following parts:

Part 1. Improving Hospitals Management and Infrastructure

Part 2. Improving Health Information Management / e-Health for Hospital Services:

Part 3: Monitoring, Evaluation and Project Management:

The additional financing will further support the hospital reform that derived by the Hospital Master Plan as a prerequisite for the rationalization of secondary level of health care in Albania and further improvement of efficiency and quality enhancement of hospitals. Under the Component 3 of the HSIP project, the PCU staff t will provide the relevant suport according to WB guidelines.

**The Ministry of Health and Social protection is seeking for an individual consultant to perform this assignment**

* Have a relevant university degree in accounting, finance or business administration.
* At least 5 years professional experience as financial specialist; Demonstrated experience in financial planning and budgeting, transaction recording and financial reporting process.
* Preferably 3 years’ experience in financial management of World Bank funded projects;
* Demonstrated sound and good knowledge of financial and accounting policies, rules and regulations pertaining to international organizations, preferably World Bank;
* Demonstrated sound and good knowledge of Government accounting, financial management systems, and budgeting system, and tax and legal requirements in Albania;
* Excellent spoken and written English;
* Excellent knowledge and skills in computer based financial management system and office applications;
* Proficiency in computer applications like excels spreadsheets and word processing.

The consultant who will be selected (after fulfilling the minimum qualification/experience requirements above) as highest ranked based on the evaluation/shortlistign criteria below, will be invited for contract negotiations

The Ministry of Health and Social Protection, through Project Coordination Unit (PCU) now invites eligible individual local 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 (as described above). The evaluation criteria are:

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| **No.** | **Evaluation Criterion** | **Points** |
| 1. | General Qualification of the consultant | 30 points |
| 2. | Relevant Specific Experience in the field of the assignment | 50 points |
| 3. | English language | 20 points |
| **TOTAL** | | **100 points** |

The expert should be an **Individual Local Consultant**. The selection method to be applied is **Individual Consultant Consultants (IC),** in accordance with the procedures set out the World Bank’s *Guidelines Selection and Employment of Consultants Under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers*” (January 2011, revised July 2014). The assignment is expected **to last 6 months (until project completion date)**, with 3 months trial period, from contract signing with option of renewal, based on satisfactory performance. The contract shall be time based.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 08:00 to 16:30 (Monday to Thursday) and 08:00 to 14:00 on Friday In the address below).Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **19 August 2024.**

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