

Montenegro Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – CONSUTLANTS' QUALIFICATION)

Name of Project: Second Institutional Development and Agriculture Strengthening Project (MIDAS 2)

Loan No: 8820-ME

Assignment Title: Development of the Atlas of Honey Plant with the Apiary Cadastre **Reference No.** MNE-MIDAS2-8820-ME-CQ-CS-20-1.2.3.17.

The Montenegro has received financing from the World Bank toward the costs of Second Institutional Development and Agriculture Strengthening Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services for Development of the Atlas of Honey Plant with the Apiary Cadastre.

The overall objective of this consulting services ("the Services") is to create conditions for the sustainable economic development of beekeeping based on sustainable beekeeping management and the planned utilization of natural resources. In other words, its objective is to create preconditions for the most optimal use of beekeeping pasturage resources and a significant increase in apicultural production in Montenegro.

The estimated level of efforts for the assignment is 14 expert months in a period of 2.5 years, where expected starting date is August 2020.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be obtained at the address given below.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, through Technical Service Unit, now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information (on English language) demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The shotlisting criteria for a company are:

| Criteria | Points (max) |
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| At least 5 years of experience in implementation researches and | Mandatory* |
| development of studies or relevant documents (proven by a reference list | |

| of studies/ researches/ documents development) in the area that is subject | |
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| to this assignment. | |
| Completed successfully at least 2 contracts in the required area of | Mandatory* |
| expertise similar to this assignment in the past five years. | |
| Consultant, or one of the member of the Joint Venture, must be registered | Mandatory* |
| as Scientific institution in the field of Biological Science or equivalent | |
| Evaluation criteria | |
| Years of general experience in the field of the assignment. | 45 |
| | 10 |
| Number of similar contracts performed by the firm. | 40 |
| | 17 |
| Staff availability. | 15 |

*Consultants which do not satisfy it, will be excluded from evaluation

Consultant firms may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a subconsultancy to enhance their qualifications. Qualifications and experience of the consulting firm associated as sub-consultancy will not be considered for evaluation for shortlisting.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016, Revised November 2017, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultants' Qualification method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 08,00 to 14,00 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (by e-mail) by **June 22, 2020, 14,00h.**

Ministry of Finance/Technical Service Unit Attention: Mr. Mirko Lješević, Procurement officer Street Address: Jovana Tomaševića 2 (Stara zgrada Vlade) Floor/Room number: office no. 48, ground floor City: 81000 Podgorica Country: Montenegro Telephone: + 382 20 201 695 Facsimile number: +382 20 201 698 Email: <u>mirko.ljesevic@mif.gov.me</u>