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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(Consulting Services – Firms Selection)

Country: Croatia

Name of Project: Sustainable Croatian Railways in Europe Project

Loan No.: 8500-HR

Assignment Title: Service of the preparation of the main designs for securing 50 level crossings

Reference No.: SUCRE-HZI-CS-CQS-5.2.3.1.1.

The HŽ Infrastruktura d.o.o. has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Sustainable Croatian Railways in Europe Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services to be provided to HŽ Infrastruktura d.o.o., and under the supervision of the Ministry of Maritime Affairs, Transport and Infrastructure (MMATI).

The consulting services («the Services») include Preparation of main design for securing 50 level crossings. The detailed Terms of Reference for the above referenced consulting services is posted on the website of HŽ Infrastruktura d.o.o. at www.hzinfra.hr.

The HŽ Infrastruktura d.o.o. 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:

1. Company profile, organization and staffing

2.Details of experience or similar assignments undertaken in the previous five years, including a reference list providing information on name of assignment, cost, duration, location, client, and a contact detail for enquiring references as relevant.

3.Confirmation of availability of the key experts (CVs are not required at this stage) with the required qualifications as indicated in detail in the terms of reference:

• five (5) certified electrical engineers who cumulatively have experience in the design of installation of the signaling and interlocking equipment, telecommunication equipment and electrical engineering facilities,

• two (2) certified civil-engineers who cumulatively have the experience in the design of buildings in the function of the regulation and organization of railway transport and of civil-engineering elements (cable conduit system, foundations, facilities for the placement of level crossing devices, etc.)

• one (1) certified road transport engineer,

- one (1) certified railway engineer and
- one (1) certified geodetic engineer.

Implementation period of this assignment is 6 (six) months according to the TOR.

Expression of interest must be accompanied by a completed Contact Sheet. One original and two copies of Expression of interest in English, shall be submitted to the Client in an envelope marked Expression of Interest for HZ Infrastructure for:

Service of the preparation of the main designs for securing 50 level crossings

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 and Grants by World Bank Borrowers« dated January 2011 (revised July 2014). («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 as per paragraph 1.9 of Consultant Guidelines.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub consultancy to enhance their qualifications. The «association» may take the form of a Joint Venture or a sub consultancy. In case of a Joint Venture (JV), all members of the JV will be evaluated jointly for the purpose of short listing and shall be jointly and severally liable for the assignment and shall sign the contract in case of award is made to that JV group. Interested consultants should clearly indicate the structure of their »association» and the duties of the partners and sub consultants in their application. Unclear expression of interests in terms of »in association with» and/or »in affiliation with» and etc. may not be considered for short listing. Keeping one expression of interest per firm as principle, a consultant firm may decide whether it wishes to participate as a sub consultant or as an individual consultant or as a partner in a joint venture. Please note that a firm shall submit only one expression of interests in the same selection process either individually as a consultant or as a partner in a joint venture. No firm can be a sub consultant while submitting an expression of interests individually or as a partner of a joint venture in the same selection process. A firm, if acting in the capacity of sub consultant in any consultant.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Consultants Qualifications (CQS) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 08:00 to 15:00 hours local time.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address: HŽ Infrastruktura d.o.o. room 30, ground floor, Economic and Financial Affairs, attn: Mladena Pavić, Mihanovićeva 12, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia, tel: + 385 (0) 1 378 33 08, fax: + 385 (0) 1 457 75 87, e-mail: mladena.pavic@hzinfra.hr (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by **7** January 2016 till 14 o'clock local time.

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