

# **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)**

**COUNTRY:** CROATIA

**NAME OF PROJECT:** Modernization and Restructuring of the Road Sector Project

**Loan No.:** 8749 - HR

**Assignment Title:** Modelling of Centers for Traffic Control and Management and National Access Point

**Reference No.** (as per Procurement Plan): B6 - F - CQS – MARS

Republic of Croatia has signed a loan with the World Bank for financing toward the cost of the "Modernization and Restructuring of the Road Sector Project", and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services stated below.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include engagement of a consulting firm (Consultant) to provide technical assistance in assessing the roles and tasks of the two entities outlined (SCNUP-D: *Centre for supervision and management of state roads* and NPT: *National Access Point*) and providing recommendations on the NPT organization.

This also includes all obligations arising from the ITS Directive and related delegated regulations, as well as the EU strategy papers in the field of smart mobility and ITS. Furthermore, with regard to the role of HC as competent authority for setting up the NPT, this includes obligations to conduct professional operational and technical work of technical-technological unity for the needs of MSTI (Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure) in accordance with the Act on Roads and the obligation to establish a public roads database. In addition, it is necessary to consider the possibility of integrating all traffic information from public road network (including county roads authorities) within the NPT.

The expected duration of the assignment is 22 weeks: 9 weeks for each phase, and the period between 2 phases (for workshops and the MSTI response) up to 4 weeks.

NOTE: The detailed Terms of Reference for the above referenced consulting services is posted on the website of the Client, at: <https://mmpi.gov.hr/promet/cestovni-promet-124/modernizacija-i-restrukturiranje-cestovnog-sektora/18853>.

Ministry of Sea, Transport and Infrastructure (as the Client) 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 (criteria related to required qualifications and experience of the firm, but not individual experts’ bio data). The shortlisting criteria are:

### **1. Details on company capability requirements:**

Companies (or joint ventures) should be experienced in providing consulting services, with at least three [3] projects or more in the last five [5] years in the country or in the neighboring European countries with a value of 100 000 EUR and related to any or all of the following:

- road sector operations, ITS experience is required,
- business organization / operational restructuring including optimization of technical and administrative processes and functions, including development of operational efficiency and cost rationalization measures,
- analysis of out-sourcing potential for business processes and functions.

### **2. Details on personnel capability requirements:**

- Team leader - work specialist, BSc in engineering or economy, specialist in the organization of business processes within the transport sector, at least 5 projects as team leader on high complexity projects or establishment of organizations in the transport sector, the experience in the designing, implementation or management of the ITS systems in road transport is required.
- Law graduate - at least 10 years of experience in jobs in the field of corporate and labor law, precedence is given to people with experience in the transport sector.
- Bachelor of traffic Engineering, at least 3 high complexity projects or projects of establishing road traffic management systems; experience in designing, implementation or management of the ITS systems in road transport is required.

The Consultant shall ensure that experts are adequately supported and equipped. It shall ensure that there is sufficient administrative, secretarial and interpreting provision to enable experts to concentrate on their primary responsibilities.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank’s “*Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & 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 (d) of Consultant Guidelines:

*Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a subconsultancy to enhance their qualifications. The “association” may take the form of a Joint Venture or a subconsultancy. 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 or JV, may participate in more than one consultant, but only in the capacity of a sub 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 e – mail address below during office hours Monday to Friday, from 09:00 a.m. to 04:00 p.m.

## **1. Delivery of Expressions of Interest**

**Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person or by mail) marked as: "Expression for Interest - Modelling of Centres for Traffic Control and Management and National Access Point " by July 27, 2021 (until 10 am - following CET) to:**

*[Name of the Ministry]: Ministry of Sea, Transport and Infrastructure (Room 1008, X floor)  
[Name of officer and title]: Mr. Hrvoje Klaić, Coordinator for Technical Aspects  
[Street address, postal code, city and country]: Prisavlje 14, 10000 Zagreb, Croatia*

**or by e-mail to the following persons and respective e - mail addresses:**

*[Email address]: Attn: Hrvoje Klaić ([Hrvoje.Klaic@mmpi.hr](mailto:Hrvoje.Klaic@mmpi.hr))  
Attn: Igor Guja, Procurement Specialist ([igor.guja@mmpi.hr](mailto:igor.guja@mmpi.hr))*

## **2. Contact person for inquiries during bidding procedure**

Contact person during bidding procedure to whom potential Consultants could send their inquiries will be:

*Mr. Igor Guja, Procurement Specialist ([igor.guja@mmpi.hr](mailto:igor.guja@mmpi.hr))*