# 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: Analysis of the social cost of traffic accidents and the unit social cost of traffic accidents with fatalities or seriously injured persons, for the period 2016-2020

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

Republic of Croatia has signed a loan agreement 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.

The consulting services ("the Services") include services in order for preparation the cost-benefit assessment process to be carried out, which is necessary to make an analysis of the average social cost of traffic accidents and the unit social cost of accidents with severe consequences for the period 2016-2020 as defined in Article 71b of the Roads Act.

Need for these services is based on Directive 2008/96 / EC and amendments to that Directive, Directive 2019/1936 / EC that defines the implementation of procedures related to road safety impact assessments, road safety audits, road safety checks and road safety assessments at the level of the entire networks. The road safety impact assessment process consists of an analysis of various influencing factors on road safety, with a cost-benefit analysis of the various options for improving safety.

Contract under this ToR will be done for 4 months from the contract signing date.

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

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:

#### 6.1. Details on required company's capabilities requirements:

Firms (or joint ventures of firms) should be experienced in providing consulting services, with at least one [1] project or more in the last five [5] years in European countries, related to both road safety and economics.

#### 6.2. Details on required personal capabilities requirements:

- ➤ Team Leader: road traffic safety expert with a university degree in traffic / transport / roads, which provides a minimum of 300 ECTS credits with a minimum of 10 years of project management experience (project manager), of which at least 5 years of involvement in road safety projects with a minimum of 1 (one) project of safety analysis and/or proposal of measures to improve road safety with the implementation of costbenefit analysis
- ➤ Expert in economics or finance with a university degree in economics, finance or transport economics, who acquires a minimum of 300 ECTS credits and has experience in developing at least 1 (one) project on transport economics, preferably involving accident social cost
- > Expert in medicine with a completed university study in the field of medical sciences, which provides a minimum of 300 ECTS credits, and preferably with experience in accident injuries

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 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 or JV, may participate in more than one consultant, but only in the capacity of a sub consultant.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.13 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" – publicly available on the World Bank web site: www.worldbank.org), setting forth the World Bank's policy on eligibility.

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 - ANALYSIS OF THE SOCIAL COST OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND THE UNIT SOCIAL COST OF TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS WITH FATALITIES OR SERIOUSLY INJURED PERSONS, FOR THE PERIOD 2016-2020" by June 18, 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(<u>hrvoje.klaic@mmpi.hr)</u>
Attn: Igor Guja, Procurement Specialist (<u>igor.guja@mmpi.hr</u>)

## 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)