Request for Expressions of Interest

(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

**Country:** Islamic Republic of Afghanistan

**Name of Project**: Construction of Kabul City Ring Road Project (KCRRP)

**Assignment Title**: Consultancy Services for Construction Supervision and Design Adjustment for First Segment of Kabul City Ring Road Project Section # 01 (20.7KM)

**Mode of Financing:** Loan Financing

**Financing No:** AFG 1004

**Duration of Assignment**: 4 years

**Implementing Agency**: Ministry of Transport

**Duty Station:** Kabul

**Contract Type:** Time Base

**NPA Ref. No.:** NPA/MOT/97/CS-2207/QCBS

**Issue Date:** 30 November 2019

The Islamic Republic of Afghanistan represented by the **Ministry of Public** Works has been receiving loan from the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) under the Transport Network Development Investment Program (TNDIP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this fundto implement the **Consultancy Services for Construction Supervision and Design Adjustment for First Segment of Kabul City Ring Road Project Section # 01 (20.7KM)**.

Please refer to the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that appeared in IsDB website, NPA Website, DG Market Website, and Local Newspapers, dated 08 & 09 January 2018 as per the IsDB standard model of draft REOI reminded below.

1. **Background:**

This road would thus be a continuation of the North to South and East to West Corridor from Kabul works already underway, extending the corridor southward and providing a useful alternative as a bypass to Kabul province whilst also allowing North to South and East to West traffic direct access precluding the need to go to other province of Afghanistan as per the project document. MoT Ministry of Transport defined the number of lots. The 117 km road is divided into four Lots. The detail of these Lots is as follows.

1. Lot #1 – 20.7 km from Ch 14+300 to Ch 35+000)
2. Lot #2 – 38 km from Ch 00+000 to Ch 00+000
3. Lot #3 – 52 km from Ch 00+000 to Ch 00+000
4. Lot #4 – 16 km from Ch 00+000 to Ch 00+000

1. **Objectives of Assignment:**

To provide consulting services to assist the Project to implement the Investment Program in the Kabul of Afghanistan to be covered under the Transport Network Development Investment Program. The Consultant shall be responsible for sound project implementation, effectively leading and taking initiative.

The consulting service is procured with following major objectives:

i. Service of Consultant shall provide engineering expert service/advise in pre-construction, construction and post-construction phase of the project.

ii. The service shall ensure the suitability/accuracy of design adjustment, quality construction and transparent project execution and close out.

iii. The service shall mitigate/resolve probable technical problems/deadlocks associated with the project and hence accelerate project execution.

iv. The service shall ensure technically sound project implementation and contract administration, project supervision and design adjustment where needed during construction phase.

1. **Scope of the Services**

Information on the Scope of the Services, you can access the ToR under the above-mentioned assignment title and reference number on the website: [www.ageops.net](about:blank)

1. **Qualification Requirements/Short listing Criteria**

The Ministry of Transport invites eligible consulting firms (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the services described under paragraph 3 above. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

**The short-listing criteria are:**

1. The Consultant should be registered legal entity. The consultant should provide a copy of the business license with its EOI.
2. The consultant should have an average annual turnover of at least **USD 1,500,000.00** (One Million and Five Hundred Thousand US Dollar) for the last 3 years (2016, 2017 & 2018) and demonstrate having sound financial situation and capacity by submitting audited financial reports or any other credible financial statements.
3. The consultant shall provide proven experiences of having executed at least one (1) contract of similar nature and complexity during the last Five years with the minimum value of **USD 2,400,000.00** (Tow Million and Four Hundred Thousand USD). The consultants are required to provide copy of the contract with their EOI.
4. The Expression of Interest shall be in English language.

The Consultant while describing the assignment(s) should furnish the following details:

* Consultant should explain in what way the executed assignment(s) was/were similar in nature to the current assignment and also indicating the input of key experts provided for the same.
* The Consultant should explain the exact role played by the Consultant in the assignment if the assignment was carried out in association with other firms as JV or in sub-consultancy for carrying out the assignment.

**v.** Requirements for Consultants participating as Joint Venture, Consortium or Association:

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications. If consultants intend to associate with other firms, they are advised to clearly identify the lead partner and state the composition and nature of their association (JV/ sub-consultant) in their EOI.

In case of association between the firms are in the form of JV, the following requirements will also apply:

* The lead partner shall meet the shortlisting criteria of having sound financial situation under criterion (ii) above and substantially meet the experience criteria under (iii) above (having executed the assignments with contract value indicated therein). The JV partner should also meet the shortlisting criteria of having sound financial situation under criterion (ii) above and similar experience under (iii) above (having executed the assignments with contract value as 50% of the value indicated therein). The lead partner needs to be identified in JV agreement or intention of forming JV to be submitted with the EoI.
* The variance in similarity and complexity could be acceptable.

vi. Consultant having regional experience is desirable

In addition the consultant shall consider below requirements in providing its EOI:

* The consultant is not black-listed by Government of Afghanistan.
* Declaration by the Consultant that the consultant does not have any conflict of interest in terms of taking any assistance / support from individual / firm / consultants who have been part of the Project or the procurement process.
* Declaration by the Consultant that the information furnished in EoI is correct and for any misrepresentation detected at any stage of selection process or during execution of the resultant contract if successful, the Consultant to be taken up under the Guidelines of IsDB.
* The Expression of Interest shall be in English language and if the documents (Similar Nature Contract, Audit Reports and Incorporation License/Business License) are in other languages, should be translated into English language. The price of the similar contracts and currency of income statements shall be also indicated in US Dollar. If the EOI not submitted in English language, it will be considered non-responsive.
* The EOI with all details should, preferably, not exceed 40 pages in total.

1. **Legal References**

The Guidelines of Islamic Development Bank shall be implemented in entire procurement process of this assignment. The consultants can download the Guidelines of Islamic Development Bank form: [www.isdb.org](about:blank)

1. **Method of Selection**

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the Guidelines for the Use of Consultants under Islamic Development Bank Financing (current edition)

1. **Submission of EOI**

Expressions of interest as per Annexure ‘A’ attached must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by e-mail) by **25 December 2019** before 3:30 PM(Kabul Local Time).

**For REOI Submission purpose the address is:**

Attention: M. Safiullah Alokozai, Procurement Liaison Specialist| Evaluation Facilitation Secretariat |Deputy Operation & Resources|

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**Email: Email:** [**safiullah.alokozai@npa.gov.af**](about:blank) **copied to** [**hikmatullah.asad@npa.gov.af**](about:blank) **&** [**mirwais.rahimi@npa.gov.af**](about:blank)

Further information in respect to this REOI can be obtained at the address below by email or in person during office hours [08:30 AM-04:30 PM].

**Attention:** Ahmad Noor Shinwari

**Procuring Entity:** National Procurement Authority(NPA) on behalf of Ministry of Transport (MoT)

**Address:** First Floor, Donors Projects Facilitation Unit (DPFU), Procurement Facilitation Directorate (PFD), National Procurement Authority (NPA), Administrative office of the President, Pashtonistan Watt, Kabul-Afghanistan

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NPA Website:[http://www.ageops.net](about:blank)

Note: The ToR is accessible from the NPA website where the assignment is announced.

# Annexure 1: Format for Expression of Interest

The expression of interest in English language must be submitted as per the following format:

*{Note: In case documents submitted are in any language other than English, the consultant should submit a self-certified copy of the translated document in English (along with originals).}*

**SECTION 1**: Organization Details (In case the EoI is being submitted as a Joint Venture/Sub-Consultant, the information has to be submitted for the Lead Partner as well as other members of the Joint Venture separately/Sub-Consultant.)

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| **Part 1: Organisation Detail** | | | | |
|  | Name of the Organization | |  | |
|  | Details of the Organization | | * Address of the Registered Office: * Telephone: * Facsimile: * Website: | |
|  | Information about Organization | | * Year of Establishment: * Status of the Organization: (Public Ltd./Private Ltd./LLP etc.) | |
|  | Name and designation of the person authorized | | * Name * Designation * E-mail * Contact Number | |
|  | Number of Personnel | | * Total employee strengths on the payroll of the company as on (specify the date) * Number of qualified technical personnel on its payroll or panel working in the area of (specify the area) | |
| **Part 2** | | EOI Respondent firm needs to mention its core business areas and any other relevant details / experience in a descriptive format. EOI Respondent firm needs to mention its Technical and managerial capability for executing the scope of services. | |
| **Please provide a response with details in not more than 3 pages** | | | |

**SECTION 2**: Documents to be submitted:

|  | **Information to be provided** | **Documentary Evidence to be Provided** | **Page number as part of Annexure** |
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| 1 | Firm must be registered legal entity. Information on their status as a legal entity and submit relevant supporting documents. (In case of JV, it should be met by the lead Partner but need to be submitted for other JV Members/Sub-consultant also) | Copy Certificate of Incorporation issued by relevant authority in country of establishment |  |
| 2 | The consultant shall demonstrate having sound financial situation by submitting audited financial reports or any other credible financial documents for last [3] years |  |  |
| 3 | The Consultant shall provide proven experiences of having executed one contract during last *[5]* years of similar assignment (comprising of completed or on-going projects) which should showcase the expertise/ strength of the consultant for undertaking such assignments.  In case of a JV the lead partner shall meet the shortlisting criteria of having sound financial situation under criterion (ii) above and substantially meet the experience criteria under (iii) above (having executed the assignments with contract value indicated therein). The JV partner should also meet the shortlisting criteria of having sound financial situation under criterion (ii) above and similar experience under (iii) above (having executed the assignments with contract value as 50% of the value indicated therein). The lead partner needs to be identified in JV agreement or intention of forming JV to be submitted with the EoI.  The information in regard to the experience also need to be submitted for other JV Members/Sub-consultant as separate statements) | *Details of the experience should be submitted as per format in* **Section 3** *along with the following documents:*  For completed projects:   1. Copy of Contract(s)   For On-Going projects:   1. Copy of Contract 2. Copy of the letter from authorised client representative / Self-Certified declaration by authorized Signatory of the EoI Respondent Entity stating that scope of services completed till date along with payment realised for the project.   Please note:  *The credentials cited under this must have been executed by the EoI Respondent or the JV partner and not its parent/child company* |  |
| 4 | The details of the Consultant’s regional experience if any. | List the Contracts executed with details such as contract number, the client detail, period of the contract, value of the contract, brief about the assignment etc. |  |
| 5 | Other relevant documents | * + 1. Declaration that the firm is not black-listed by any Government agencies in Afghanistan   ii. Declaration that the consultant does not have any conflict of interest in terms of taking any assistance / support from individual / firm / consultants who have been part of the Project or the Procurement Process.   1. Declaration by the Consultant that the information furnished in EoI is correct and for any misrepresentation detected at any stage of selection process or during execution of the resultant contract if successful, the Consultant to be taken up under the Law of the Land. |  |

**SECTION 3**: Format for furnishing details of Credentials / Past Experiences for projects as at Sl. No. 3 of Section 2. The information needs to be furnished as per the Format below for each credential.

The project citation should be a maximum of 2 pages per credential/project along with documents as mentioned under Sl. No. 3 of Section 2 (above). The citation needs to be furnished for each credential.

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| Assignment name: | Country:  Location within the country | |
| Name of Client: | Address: | |
| Name of the Legal Entity in whose name the contract is: | Duration of assignment (months): | |
| No. of man month of the assignment: | Start date (Month/year):  Completion date (Month/year): | |
| Approx. value of the overall contract (in USD): | Approx. value of the services provided by your firm under the contract (in USD): | |
| Name of associated organizations, if any: | Role of Consortium member: | |
| Narrative description of the Project: | | |
| Detailed Scope of services, coverage of the project:   * *Consultant should explain in what way the executed assignment(s) was/were similar in nature to the current assignment and also indicating key experts input for the assignment(s) including their qualifications and experience (CVs of such key staff are not required to be attached)* * *The Consultant should explain the exact role played by the Consultant in the assignment if the assignment was carried out in association with other firms as JV or in sub-consultancy for carrying out the assignment.* | | |
| Relevance of Project to the current scope (i.e. relevant project components in detail) | | |
| Details of the impact of the project for the client: | | |
| Copy of Contract(s)? | | YES / NO |
| Copy of certificate from the client with explicit information to meet the specific requirement of the criteria attached? | | YES / NO |
| Copy of self-certificate with explicit information to meet the specific requirement of the criteria attached? | | YES / NO |