**REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA ROAD SECTOR PROGRAM** 

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# CLARIFICATION DOCUMENT No.1 TO CONSULTANT'S QUESTIONS ON RFP

(CS/QCBS/03/2019)

# SUPERVISION OF CIVIL WORKS ON

# R6 M1-IALOVENI ROAD, KM 0+000 –KM 6+550 (M2 – CHISINAU BYPASS, KM 0+000 - KM 6+550)

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## 1. Question

Related to the requirement for general experience of the Key Expert no 3 – Quantity Surveyor: as mentioned in the ToR, section 4.1, page 56, "the candidate shall have at least ten (10) years of experience in road, design, construction and/or supervision". Please confirm that the requirement for general experience of the Key expert no 3 is "the candidate shall have at least ten (10) years of experience in design, construction and/or supervision of road works".

#### Answer 1

It is confirmed that the minimum requirement for general experience of the Key Expert no 3 - Quantity Surveyor is at least ten (10) years of experience in road, design, construction and/or supervision, as stated in Section 7. Terms of Reference, point. 4.1 Engineer's Staffing, page 56.

# 2. Question

Related to Designer's representative:

ToR, section 4.1, page 53 lists the following: key staff: team leader/ engineer's representative; materials/ quality assurance engineer; quantity surveyor and technical support staff: environmental and social expert; road inspector; surveyor; laboratory assistant; designer's representative

In the ToR, section 4.1, page 57, the Designer's representative is, apparently, included in the Key Staff at letter d), after a) team leader/ engineer's representative; b) materials/ quality assurance engineer; c) quantity surveyor, which belong to Key staff;

Please clarify, to which category belongs the Designer's representative, to the Key staff, as mentioned in ToR page 57, or to the Non-Key experts as mentioned in ToR page 53.

Also, please clarify if the required input for Designer's representative, as 20 person-months (see ToR page 57), is included in 84 person-months, as for Key staff, or in 100 person-months, as for Technical support staff (non-key).

# Answer 2

No wording in the ToR at page 57 intends to convey that the Designer's Representative belongs to the Key staff. The point d) only states the requirements for the Designer's Representative, which is part of the Technical Support Staff with the required time – input of **10 person months** in field, included in the 100 person-months allocated to the Technical Support Staff of the Engineer.

#### 3. Question

Related to the Short term experts: as mentioned in the Section 7. Terms of Reference, point. 4.1 Engineer's Staffing, page 53, it is required for Short term experts an input of 10 person-months, but at page 52 section 3, it is mentioned an input of 13 person-months. Please clarify what is the input we shall allocate for Short term experts.

#### Answer 3

It is confirmed that the required time-input for Short term experts is 10 person-months in field.

#### 4. Question

Related to Short-term expertise/experts:

In the ToR, section 3, page 52, are mentioned several areas of expertise: geology and geotechnical expertise; environmental expertise; specific equipment expertise; hydrology; hydraulics; claim expertise; legal adviser; financial experts; traffic safety;

In the TOR pages 57, are mentioned for Short-term expertise the requirements for: Claim/Contract specialist (CS); Project Scheduling/Control Expert (PCE).

Please clarify what areas of short-term expertize we shall take into account.

#### Answer 4

The number and type of specialists to be mobilized will be agreed between the Employer and the Consultant as the need will arise. Thus, several areas of expertise from which short-term experts may be required are stated in the ToR, page 52. However, please note that the short-term experts are not examined prior to the Contract signature and should not be included in technical proposal.

For the Claim/Contract specialist (CS) and Project Scheduling/Control Expert (PCE), the job description is detailed on pages 57-59 of the ToR. For the others non-key and short-term experts which may be requested to be mobilized in accordance to the profiles identified in the organization methodology and ToR, the specific credentials and job description are described at page 59 of ToR.

# 5. Question

Section 7: Terms of Reference: On page 52, it is stated that the duration for short-term experts is 13 person-months. However, on page 53, this duration is 10 person-months. Could you please clarify which one is correct?

#### Answer 5

Please refer to the Answer No.3.

#### 6. Question

Could you please advise if the Contractor's mobilization completed; since otherwise, one month pre-commencement activity period seems too short?

#### Answer 6

Please note that the procurement process for the Works Contract RSP/W11/03 is almost completed and the contract is planned to be signed with the selected Contractor by the end of March, 2019.

# 7. Question

On page 47, it is indicated that the defects notification period is 12 months; however, on page 51, the text mentions that "During the remaining 23 months of Defects Notification Period …" which seems to be a conflict. Could you please clarify?

#### Answer 7

It is confirmed that the defects notification period is 12 months.

## 8. Question

Is it possible to receive a copy of the tender documents of the Works Contract, especially Chapter 4 – Engineer's facilities?

Answer 8

Tender Documents can be downloaded following the link:

http://files.asd.md/Procurement/Tender\_Documents\_RSP\_W11\_03.zip

#### 9. Question

With reference to page no. 65, point 8 "Services and Facilities to be provided to the Engineer" please specify who will be the owner of topographical survey equipment property after the contract, what is its specification and who should provide the insurance for it - the Contractor or the Consultant?

Answer 9

As stated in Terms of References, point 8 "Services and Facilities to be provided to the Engineer" the Consultant will borne the cost of the topographical survey equipment which will remain in his property. The insurances for the equipment must be provided by the Consultant and the specifications must be chosen by the Consultant in order to fit the project needs.

#### **10.** Question

With reference to page no. 52, point 5 "Short-term expertise", it is mentioned that the personmonths duration is 13 months. However, with reference to page no. 53, item 4.1 "Engineer's Staffing", the person-months is 10 month. Please clarify.

#### Answer 10

Please refer to the Answer No.3.

#### 11. Question

With reference to page no. 53, point 4.1 "Engineer's Staffing", it is mentioned that one of the consultants team is the "Designer's Representative". However, with reference to page no. 68, it is mentioned that "The duty of designer's representative may only be fulfilled by the Moldovan licensed design company who prepared the designs". Please clarify.

#### Answer 11

Please be aware that in accordance with ToR, "the Engineer will include qualified construction Works Superintendents and Designer's Representative in his supervision team in order to ensure compliance of the executed works with the design according to Moldovan legislation".

The Designer's Representative shall be a representative of the Project Designers, for whom details are given in Annex A.

The Designer's Representative shall attend the site as required by the legislation in force, and a total of 10 person-months shall be included in the Proposal for estimating purposes.

Technical support staff are not examined prior to the signature of the Contract and are not required to be included in the technical proposals.

# 12. Question

With reference to page no. 53, point 4.1. "Engineer's Staffing", please confirm that the Technical Support Staff is considered as Non-Key Staff and will not be subject of evaluation in this stage.

# Answer 12

It is confirmed that the Technical Support Staff is considered as Non-Key Staff, and in accordance with Section 4.1 Engineer's Staffing, Terms of Reference, "the CVs for Non-Key and Short-term Experts are not examined prior to the signature of the Contract and should not be included in technical proposals".

# 13.Question

With reference to page no. 53, point 4.1. "Engineer's Staffing", please clarify if the Project Scheduling/Control Expert is to be included in the Proposal as a short-term expert since his position is not on the list of short-term experts provided in the point 5 "Short-term expertise" of ToR.

# Answer 13

It is confirmed that the Project Scheduling/Control Expert is part of Short – term experts and in accordance with ToR, *"the CVs for Short-term Experts are not examined prior to the signature of the Contract and should not be included in technical proposals."* 

The Consultant shall mobilise these experts as required according to the profiles identified in the Organisation & Methodology and these Terms of Reference. They must indicate clearly which profile they have so it is clear which fee rate in the budget breakdown will apply".

Please note, that the Specific Credentials and Job Description for the Project Scheduling/Control Expert are stated in Section 4.1 Engineer's Staffing, Terms of Reference, pages 58-59.

The numbers and person-months for all staff shall be included in the technical proposal and the costs in respect of these personnel are to be included in the financial proposal.

# 14.Question

Could you please provide indicative budget figure for this consultancy services?

# Answer 14

Please note that the estimated price for the project is confidential.

# **15.Question**

The ToR section 8 (page 65) and Annex A (page 67) refer to the tender documents that include detailed information about the Engineer's facilities to be provided through the works contract. Could you please provide us a copy of the relevant Tender Documents?

# Answer 15

Please refer to the Answer No.8.