

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

ROMANIA

INTEGRATED NUTRIENT POLLUTION CONTROL PROJECT

Consultancy services for training small individual farmers to apply different solutions for animal waste storage facilities 09/LCS/2014

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The Government of Romania has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Integrated Nutrient Pollution Control Project. The overall development objective of the Project is to support the Government of Romania to meet the EU Nitrates Directive requirements by reducing nutrient discharges to water bodies, promoting behavioral change at the communal level and strengthening institutional and regulatory capacity.

The implementing agency of the Project, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MoECC), through the INPC Project Management Unit (INPC-PMU) (the Employer) intends to use a part of the Project's funds for training small individual farmers (1 to 8 Livestock Units) to apply different solutions for animal waste storage facilities.

The objective of the consultant's services is to organize and carry out an applicative (theoretical and practical) training program in 100 NVZ communes included in project (see Annex 1) regarding the good management practices for manure storage at the individual small farm level. The goal of this management should be to minimize nuisance issues (flies, aesthetics) and environmental impact (water and/or air).

The applicative part should focus on the most common manure storage structures for small farms - construction of on-farm individual manure platforms using simple, affordable methods that can secure proper manure storage and collect the liquid fraction.

The Consultant is required to design, set up and implement, a training program, including demonstration practices, in order to support small individual farmers building on-farm individual manure storage structures.

The Consultant should be a specialized firm, an education institution, a research and development institute, university, NGO or association of such firms, with proven training experience in the field of agricultural practices and environment protection.

The consultant should have wide experience related to nutrient management science, technology and policy.

The Consultant should demonstrate a relevant general professional experience of a minimum of 10 years, and a proven experience of at least two similar types of assignments involving theoretical and practical training activities regarding environmental protection in the agriculture field.

It is recommended that the Consultant provide a team of lecturers and personnel with proven practical experience in the above mentioned areas.

The Expressions of Interest must provide information indicating that the Consulting firm is qualified to perform the above mentioned services, respectively:

- general information: core business and years in business, address, contacts, number and country of registration; presentation of services provided, references;
- specific information on the consulting firm experience in the field of the assignment: number of years of professional experience in training in the field of agricultural practices and environment protection, experience related to nutrient management science, technology and policy, description of previous similar projects as objective and extension;
- information regarding the availability of appropriate specialized staff for the assignment: description of the team proposed to carry out the assignment, qualifications and expertise of key staff, years of professional expertise.

Consultants may associate 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 EOI 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 EOI 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 Consulting firm will be selected using LCS method (Least Cost Selection) in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's [*Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers*](#), May 2004.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.11 of the World Bank's *Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers, edition May 2004* ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on eligibility.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours, from Monday to Thursday - 09⁰⁰ to 16⁰⁰ hours and Friday - 09⁰⁰ to 14⁰⁰ hours.

Expressions of interest must be written in English language and have to be delivered to the address below by **April 7th, 2014, 17:00 hours, local time**. Expressions of Interest received by e-mail are accepted.

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