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**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI)
(CONSULTING SERVICES)**

March 1, 2016

ALBANIA

ALBANIA HEALTH SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (HSIP)

LOAN No: 8466 AL.

PROJECT ID NUMBER: P144688

Assignment Title: **Review of the Existing Hospital Master Plan (Health Facility Rationalization Plan) in Albania**

Reference No. **HSIP/CS/CQS/05-2015**

The Government of Albania has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Health System Improvement Project (HSIP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services .

The consulting services ("the Services") include "**Review of the Existing Hospital Master Plan (Health Facility Rationalization Plan) in Albania**".

The purpose of this consultancy is to revised and update existing Hospital Master Plan (Health Facility Rationalization Plan), to support the government with the elaboration of an appropriate health facility rationalization plan to establish a comprehensive network of outpatient and inpatient care facilities throughout the country, and to identify the needs for medical equipment investments in PHC referral hospitals as part of the implementation of the master plan.

The implementation of this assignment will be carried out from an international consultant firm which should have at least :

1. Working experience with international technical and financing agencies in the health sector;
2. Proven track record of consensus building;
3. The consultants should have the requisite experience outside her/his own country, preferably under conditions similar to those prevailing in European countries.
4. Working languages are English and Albanian.

Consultant's key team composition should be as below:

A. Reconfiguration Specialist

The minimum required experience is at least five (5) years of experience in health sector reconfiguration and in the following areas: Health Sector Planning; Health Care Quality

Assurance and Standards; Hospital Data Analysis and Development of Rationalization Plans; Health Sector Reform in Eastern European Countries.

B. Change Management Consultant:

The minimum required experience is at least five (5) years of experience in Health Sector Change Management and in the following areas: Health Sector Planning, Development and Management; Health care quality assurance and standards; Health Care Reform in Eastern European countries.

C. GIS Specialist

The minimum requirements are professional experience with GIS software and a University degree in Geography, Cartography and Geographic Information Systems (GIS) or another relevant degree at least at Master’s level.

D. Health Facilities Planner/Architect

Education/training as an engineer or architect. The minimum experience requirement is knowledge of/familiarity with the planning of health facilities

Support from Local Consultants

It is envisaged that the International Consultants will require assistance from two to three local consultants in order to dispense their work:

- One local consultant with a background in Medicine and who has excellent knowledge of, and working experience, in the health system in Albania; well respected in the local medical community and has experience in data gathering and research
- One local consultant with a background in Medicine and who has excellent knowledge of, and working experience, in the health system in Albania preferably with experience in both Emergency Care
- Possibly a local consultant with a background in medical equipment may be needed, who should have an excellent understanding of health care medical equipment and waste management in Albania.
- A local engineer/architect with experience in infrastructure assessment

The Ministry of Health, through Project Coordination Unit (PCU) now invites eligible International Consultant Firms/ Company (“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.

The short listing criteria are:

No.	Evaluation Criterion	Points
1.	Overall experience of the firm (number of years) in the field of assignment	40 points
2.	Number of assignment-related contracts completed during last three years	30 points
3.	General experience and qualification of the key personal	30 points
TOTAL		100 points

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank’s [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers \(January 2011, revised July 2014\)](#), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

The consultant should be an International Firm. The selection method to be applied is Consultants Qualification Selection (CQ), in accordance with the procedures set out the World Bank’s *Guidelines Selection and Employment of Consultants Under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers*” (January 2011, revised July 2014).

It is expected that this consulting assignment will require about 100 working days of three international consultants and 100 working days of local consultants for a period of about 5 months starting on/around April 2016. The international consultants will work closely with the local consultants, Component Coordinator, The technical working groups and Project Coordination Unit. During the assignment, the consultants are expected to travel to Tirana to meet with Government representatives at the Ministry of Health, regions, and districts, directors of health facilities, donors and World Bank staff.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 08:00 to 16:30 (Monday to Thursday) and 08:00 to 14:00 on Friday.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by **March 16, 2016**.

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