Project Name	Bukhara Region Water Supply and Sewerage Project - Phase 1
Country	Republic of Uzbekistan
Business sector	Water Supply Component 3: Project Implementation and Management Support
Project ID	L0314A
Source of finance	Asian Infrastructure Investments Bank
Type of contract	Consultancy services: BWSP-W/S1
Type of announcement	Expression of Interest (EOI)
Date of issue	28.12.2020
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## **Request for Expression of Interest**

The Republic of Uzbekistan (Ministry of Housing and Communal Services) has requested Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) for financing in the amount of 385.2 mln. USD for water and sanitation activities under the project "Bukhara Region Water Supply and Sewerage Project. Phase 1". The financing has been approved by AIIB on April 3, 2020. It is intended to use part of the funds to cover consultancy services for the project.

The scope of the consultancy assignment includes the detailed design to specify water activities under the Project's **Component 1- Investments to infrastructure of water supply:** Construction and rehabilitation of main water lines, well fields and intakes associated electric facilities, water treatment plants, pumping stations and water reservoirs. The water supply component covers the districts Bukhara, Bukhara city, Rometan, Peshku, Jondor, Kogon and Qorovulbozor. The main purpose of consultancy services is to develop timely and high-quality technical design and providing author's supervision for all water supply subprojects to ensure that contractors and the technical supervision consultant strictly adhere to the requirements of the original design.

The consulting company will be selected based on Quality and Cost based selection (QCBS), including a complete technical proposal, according to the AIIB Policy and Procurement Instructions for Recipients. It is expected that the contract would be awarded in the 2nd quarter of 2021 and completed within 18 months from the award date.

The Ministry of Housing and Communal Services of the Republic of Uzbekistan invites competent consultancy companies (further consultants), which meet the requirements, to submit an Expression of Interest, providing confirmation that they have sufficient qualification and experience to achieve the required scope of work.

Interested consultants shall provide comprehensive information, reflecting their qualification to achieve the scope of work required, including a brochure, company profile, description of relevant experience (including place, country, name of client, type of rendered services, contract period, amount, date of start and ending dates) and relevant experience of key personnel etc. that covers the below following information (short listing)

- Work experience as an "engineer" in at least 3 projects of similar scope of work, scale and complexity;
- Financial reports for consultancy services for the last 5 years confirmed by the company;
- Key staff experience in similar projects.

Consultants may choose to work with another firm in the form of a joint venture or subconsultant to enhance their qualifications. In the case of cooperation, the expression of interest must clearly state whether the association is a joint venture (all members are jointly and severally responsible for the entire assignment) or a sub-consultant. In the case of a joint venture, the firm designated to represent the joint venture must be clearly identified. The assessment process takes into account only the qualifications and experience of the joint venture members, not the sub-consultants.

The procurement of contracts financed by the AIIB will be subject to the AIIB Procurement Policy and its associated Procurement Guideline (June 2, 2016) ("Procurement Guideline") and is open to all eligible businesses and individuals as defined in the AIIB procurement guidelines.

Specific procurement announcements for contracts that are the subject of open international competitive procurement will be announced as they become available on <a href="https://www.mjko.uz">www.uzsuv.uz</a> on the AIIB external website and on the UNDB portal.

Interested eligible firms and individuals who would like to be considered to provide goods, works, non-consulting services and consulting services for the above project, or those who require additional information and terms of reference for this project should contact the Borrower at the following address

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