

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**Republic of Turkey
Istanbul Special Provincial Administration (ISPA)
Istanbul Project Coordination Unit (PCU)**

Istanbul Seismic Risk Mitigation and Emergency Preparedness (ISMEP) Project

**Consultancy Services for Overall Evaluation of Istanbul Seismic Risk Mitigation and
Emergency Preparedness Project (ISMEP) (AF-CA1.2)
(2012)**

The Republic of Turkey has received an additional loan from the **International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD)** and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the contracts for Procurement of “**Consultancy Services for Overall Evaluation of Istanbul Seismic Risk Mitigation and Emergency Preparedness Project (ISMEP) (AF-CA1.2)**”, which will be implemented by Istanbul Special Provincial Administration, Istanbul Project Coordination Unit.

The objective of the assignment is to conduct an Overall Evaluation (OE) of the ISMEP Project and carry out evaluation and impact assessment of all the activities under ISMEP framework that starts with, but not limited to the first Loan Agreement signed with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) on February 3, 2006.

The OE will assess the quality and relevance of the project, achievements, success, effectiveness and efficiency of the project by looking at potential impacts and sustainability of outcomes and outputs, including the contribution to the implementation of the technical capacity in terms of seismic risk mitigation and building code, public awareness and training.

The Consultant shall address the following objectives;

- Evaluate the effectiveness of project activities in contribution to key objectives of the project,
- Evaluate the impact and sustainability of project activities on the public institutions, pilot municipalities and communities,
- Evaluate the effectiveness of project management, particularly the partners capacity in coordination, monitoring, planning, reporting, learning and resource management,
- Provide recommendation on Exit Strategy and follow ups.

The Review process will answer the following questions

- What problems are there and how can they be solved?
- What are the external and objective view, information and assessment of the project for decision making?
- What are practical recommendations for partners aiming at ensuring the most efficient and effective implementation of the Exit Strategy and follow ups?

- What have learnt about: 1) the context of the project; 2) the project outcomes; 3) the project outputs?
- What are going to do about it?
- Who will take action and when?
- What will feed into other reports and discussions?

The estimated duration of the services are approximately 10 (ten) weeks.

Istanbul Project Coordination Unit now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must provide information and documents indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (such as brochures, description and references from previous clients on the similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).

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.

Consultants will be shortlisted in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank’s *Guidelines: [Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers](#)* (published by the Bank in May 2004 and revised in October 2006 and in May 2010) (“Consultant Guidelines”). Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below from 10:00 a.m. to 16:00 hours, local time.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 of the Consultant Guidelines, setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Consultants’ Qualifications (CQS) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Consultants are required to include the name and reference number of the tasks AF-CA1.2 in their Expression of Interests.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by **January 7th, 2013, 16:00** (local time) by surface mail, courier or hand delivery. Applications by e-mail shall not be accepted IPCU reserves the right to reject the applications received after the above-referenced date.

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