REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

CONSULTANT SERVICES

(FOR REVIEW AND IMPROVEMENT OF BUILDING CODES IN ALBANIA)

DISASTER RISK MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION PROJECT
Consulting Services for review and improvement of Building Codes in Albania
Loan No. IBRD75630, Credit No. IDA44600
Project ID No. P110845
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The Government of Albania has received a credit from IDA, toward the cost of financing the project "Albania Disaster Risk Mitigation and Adaptation Project", and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consultant services for preparation of a National Plan – Guide Document for the process of adoption of Eurocodes in Albania and translation of Eurocode 8 and other parts from other Eurocodes that are closely related to it. As part of the assignment the consultant will also prepare training materials for engineers.

The project includes five components. The 3rd component objective is to reduce risks from seismic activities through development of improved building codes and mechanisms for introduction of improved standards. The component activities include: (a) development of a national building code; (b) train engineers in new design standards.

The intended commencement date is April 2011 and the period of contract execution will be seven (7) months from that date. It is envisaged that there will be required in total 350 working days (international and local) of inputs for this assignment.

The consulting company should have a theoretical and technical experience in Eurocodes design practice, especially Eurocode 8; experience in the adoption and implementation of the Eurocodes in EU member or candidate countries.

The Project Management Team (PMT) of "Disaster Risk Mitigation and Adaptation Project" in the Ministry of Interior, in liaison with the Implementation Team in the Ministry of Public Works and Transports, now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the above mentioned services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.).

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers (current edition), and the basis shall be Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS)

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below from 08^{00} to 16^{30} hours, Monday through Thursday, and from 08^{00} to 14^{00} on Fridays.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by January 21st 2011

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