

KËRKESË
Nr. 50, datë 10.4.2019

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

International Technical Assistance-Individual Consultant

Tirana, April 09, 2019

Albania Health System Improvement Project (HSIP)

Loan No: 8466 AL.

Project ID Number: P144688

Assignment Title: Development of the Master Plan for HMIS/eHealth Activities (2019-2024) and e-Health Standardization Framework

Reference No. HSIP/CS/IC/07-2018

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 Consultant is expected to help the MoHSP to achieve two key objectives: Develop a national e-Health Master Plan that is benefits led, realistic and actionable; and develop a supporting e-Health Data Standardisation Framework.

The e-Health Master Plan will provide the overall framework and architecture for e-Health development in Albania, to improve coordination between development partners. It will provide the “big picture” view of cooperation between e-Health systems and where the country plans to focus its health IT investments. The e-Health Standardization Framework will define minimal e-Health functional standards, supporting data structures for e-Health standardization, standards for basic classifiers and registries, first version of the Albania Health Data Dictionary (HDD) and a common Health Data Model. The Consultant will (i) facilitate the work on Master Plan and e-Health Standardization Framework, and (ii) draft the resulting documents, through the work with key stakeholders including but not limited to the Ministry of Health and Social Protection (MoHSP), Primary Health Centers (PHCs), public/private hospitals, Health Insurance Fund (HIF), Regional Hospitals provider community, patient groups, policy and legal experts, software vendors, and other stakeholders as relevant.

The consultant must meet the following requirements:

- At least Master’s degree in computer science, development of information systems, health informatics, or related field;
- At least 10 years of Health Informatics expertise (references or proofs for similar works carried out internationally)
- Proven records of at least 10 years of work on information systems architecture design, design of system platforms, and information systems standardization, including minimally 5 years of practical experience in e-Health;

- At least one reference in e-Health master plan/strategy development and implementation
- Experience in technical design of e-Health architectures and system platforms - provide at least 1 document where such skills are demonstrated;
- Experience with design of SOA based information systems architectures;
- Experience with modern health data exchange platforms;
- Experience with the design of virtualized and cloud based system platforms; Ability to communicate and prepare the documents in English
- Proven experience in the assessment, development, adoption, and upgrading of national health informatics standards in accordance with international health informatics standards;
- Successful experience in harmonization of the national standards at country-wide level with well-known international health informatics standardization frameworks (ISO, HL7, IHE, DICOM, SNOMED, etc.)
- Experience in implementation of at least one development project in transition economies during the last 7 years, experience in working with ministries and local authorities staff;
- Proven practical experience in capacity building and technology transfer, preferably at the international level
- Fluency in English is essential.

The Ministry of Health and Social Protection, through Project Coordination Unit (PCU) now invites eligible individual international consultants ("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 (as described above). The evaluation criteria are:

No.	Evaluation Criterion	Points
1.	General Qualification of the consultant	30 points
2.	Relevant Specific Experience in the field of the assignment	50 points
3.	Language and experience in the region	20 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 **Individual International Consultant**. The selection method to be applied is **Individual Consultant Consultants (IC)**, 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).

The assignment should be performed within 8 working month's period. The consultancy service will be contracted under a lump sum contract. The input required for implementation of this contract is estimated to be around 80 man/days. During the course of the contract implementation, the consultant is required to conduct at least 3 site missions.

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 In the address below). Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **30th of April 2019**.

Ministry of Health and Social Protection
Adress: Rruga e Kavajës, No. 53, Tirana- Albania
Project Coordination Unit (PCU)
Health System Improvement Project (HSIP)
Att: Blerina Dudushi

e-mail: hsip.dudushi@gmail.com
BlerinaDudushi@shendetesia.gov.al