

REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA
IRRIGATION SYSTEMS ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (ISEP)
IBRD Loan No: 8267

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

“Technical Supervision over Construction of Kaghtsrashen Gravity Irrigation Scheme”, ISEP/QCBS/SW-14/001

The **Republic of Armenia** has received the financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **Irrigation Systems Enhancement Project (ISEP)**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include technical and quality supervision for construction of Kaghtsrashen gravity irrigation scheme: about 27.5 km long glass reinforced pipes (GRP) will be constructed under that project to ensure gravity irrigation on the area of 1232 ha currently irrigated by pumping. Construction of Kaghtsrashen gravity scheme will be implemented through 3 construction lots. Each lot has its duration, and works under lots will be carried out in a parallel regime, independently from each other. The following main types of works will be implemented under each lot:

- Lot 1: Construction of the head intake unit of monolithic concrete and reinforced concrete; construction of about 9.5 km long section of the main pipeline by d=820 mm glass reinforced pipes (GRP). The duration is 18 calendar months;
- Lot 2: construction of about 9 km long section of the main pipeline by d=820 mm GRP pipes. The duration is 16 calendar months; and
- Lot 3: construction of about 9 km long section of the main pipeline by d=720 mm GRP pipes. The duration is 16 calendar months.

The contract for consulting services is expected to start in **October of 2015**. The duration of the assignment is approximately **18 (eighteen) months** after contract signing.

The **“Water Sector Projects Implementation Unit” State Agency** now invites eligible consulting firms (“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 shortlisting criteria are:

- (i) **firm`s general experience** (*core business and years in business*)
- (ii) **firm`s experience in the field of the assignment** (*number of years in the sector and similar assignments implemented in the last 10 years*)
- (iii) **technical and managerial capacities of the firm** (*managerial and organizational structure, office and laboratory equipment, etc.*) and
- (iv) **firm`s regional experience** (*Armenia/CIS countries*)

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

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a **Joint Venture (JV)** or a **Sub-consultancy** to enhance their qualifications (*please clearly state the status of association, e.g. JV or Sub-consultancy*).

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Quality-and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS)** method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours: **from 10.00 to 17.00 (Yerevan time), Monday to Friday**,

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form in **English** or **Armenian** hard copy in person (or by courier services) or by e-mail in the **Adobe PDF format** to the address below not later than **July 23**,

2015 and should be clearly marked: “Expressions of Interest for «**Technical Supervision over Construction of Kaghtsrashen Gravity Irrigation Scheme**», ISEP/QCBS/SW-14/001.

“Water Sector Projects Implementation Unit” State Agency

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