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University of Montenegro, Faculty of Electrical Engineering Higher Education and Research for Innovation and Competitiveness Centre of Excellence in Bioinformatics - „BIO-ICT”

Loan No. 8118-0 ME

Reference No. MNE-HERIC-81180-CoE-CQ-CS-17-J.5

Request for Expressions of Interest for Development of Business Plan for the Centre of Excellence

Montenegro has received a loan in the amount of 12.00 million EUR (equivalent to US\$ 15.98 million) from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) for the “Higher Education and Research for Innovation and Competitiveness” (HERIC) project.

University of Montenegro, Faculty of Electrical Engineering has received grant for implementation of scientific research project: Centre of Excellence in Bioinformatics - „BIO-ICT” (hereinafter referred to as: “Project”) which is being financed within the HERIC project.

University of Montenegro, Faculty of Electrical Engineering intends to apply part of the proceeds of this grant towards payment for consulting services under the contract for following position: Development of Business Plan for the Centre of Excellence.

Following the needs of the Client BIO-ICT Centre of Excellence (i.e. University of Montenegro and Institute for Public Health) in the institutional and national decision-making process, the responsibility of the selected consultant company will be to provide expert assistance and prepare the documentation necessary for initiating the procedure for defining the legal status of the Centre of Excellence.

It is envisioned that the Consultant will perform the following activities:

- Analyze the existing situation and legal framework, both institutional and national, necessary for the establishment of a new legal entity in Montenegro;
- Propose 2 scenarios for future model of organizational structure of the Centre of Excellence, partner institution relations management, manner of operations of the Centre;
- Definition of management and structure of necessary human resources;
- Preparation of a detailed business plan for the Centre that will serve as basis for establishment of the Centre of Excellence as a separate legal entity. The plan shall include at least following:
- Proposal of the improvement of the existing Sustainability strategy, in terms of business operations

Selected Consultant will be engaged for the period of three months. Expected number of working days is twenty five, within the contract period of three months.

The University of Montenegro, Faculty of Electrical Engineering through the Technical Service Unit now invites eligible consultant companies to indicate their interest in providing the service. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services

(brochures, description of similar assignments performed, experience in similar conditions, etc. documentation shall be presented in English language) in accordance with qualifications criteria.

Qualifications criteria are:

- Proven experience in the preparation of business plans, developed strategies and other relevant documentation.
- The capacity and availability of staff and resources to carry out the required work for the required period of time (In its team, the consultant company must have at least 3 members, with a higher education degree (ranks of doctorate and master of science will be evaluated separately), in the field of relevant assignment (e.g. economics, innovation R&D, or management);

The selected consulting company must submit, prior contract signing, all needed licenses issued by responsible state authority. Experience of the consulting firm associated as sub-consultancy will not be considered for evaluation for shortlisting.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications.

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) ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the selection of Consultants' Qualifications-CQ method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (from 09,00-15,00 hours).

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by June 21, 2017, 14,00h local time. EOI submitted Via E-mail should be followed with envelope and must clearly indicate project name, subject number and sender details.

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