

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

ROMANIA

Romania Secondary Education Project

Loan Agreement No 8481-RO

Assignment Title: *Monitors for the High Schools grants and Mentorship for Pedagogical Activities. Technical Assistance to monitor the university grants schemes*

Reference No.: [C 1.1/4 & 2.4](#)

The *Government of Romania (GoR)* has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the *Romania Secondary Education Project*, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include *Implementation of Monitoring and Mentoring activities under the ROSE Project Grants Schemes* for the remaining duration of the ROSE Project, between January 01, 2018 and December 31, 2022.

The *Ministry of National Education / Unit for the Management of Externally Financed Projects* now invite 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:

- Proven professional competence and 5 years of experience in design/ implementation/ evaluation of projects. Specific experience in external monitoring/audit of projects (at least one project);
- Experience with projects in the area of education (at least 3 projects). Experience with projects funded by the World Bank is an advantage;
- Proven experience with large scale projects implemented throughout the country (at least 3 projects);
- Proven administrative and professional capacity to organize activity, manage and supervise/monitor a large number and different types of professionals scattered nationwide;
- Administrative and professional capacity to analyze and verify a large number of financial and technical reports;
- Proven ability to collect and summarize feedback from the beneficiaries on an on-going basis.

The attention of 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 and Grants by World Bank Borrowers"* dated *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 or a subconsultancy to enhance their qualifications.

A consultant company/organization 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 [8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.](#)

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail) by [5th of September 2017, 4:00 P.M. Bucharest time.](#)

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