



MONTENEGRO
Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development
EU/IPA Agriculture and Rural Development Institution Building Project-
IPARD like I project

Request for Expressions of Interest
for
Socio-economic Survey

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This Invitation for expression of interests follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that appeared in Development Business, issue no. **February 5, 2009**

Montenegro has received a grant from European Union under the EU/IPA Agriculture and Rural Development Institution Building Project, in the amount of EUR 3,385,308EUR, where International Bank of Reconstruction and Development acting as administrator of the grant funds, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments under the Contract for **Socio-economic Survey for IPARD Like I project**.

The objective of this service („the Service“) is to determine the financial, economic and social impact of the IPARD Like funded grants program. It will identify changes in productivity, competitiveness, product quality, on Montenegrin agriculture. The survey would also attempt to assess the impact on job creation and possible impact on import substitution. The survey should further try to get a sense as to how grant support affected the traditional local economy of the farmers in mountain areas? How did the grant support contribute to better work/living conditions in the farms/pastures?

The Survey is planned and will be completed within 2,5 months from the day of signing the Contract.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (MARD) through the Technical Service Unit (TSU) now invites eligible consultant firms (“the Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing above services. Interested Consultants must provide information indicating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services.

The criteria are:

Qualification criteria	
At least 5 years of experience in producing similar surveys and conducting researches (proven by a reference list of studies/ researches);	Mandatory
Demonstrated experience in conducting large nationally representative researches (at least 3 researches on the samples of 1000 or more legal and physical persons in the past three years, for the researches of business entities; at least 5 researches on the samples of	Mandatory

more than 1000 respondents in the last three years for large-scale researches);	
Capacity and availability of (logistic) resources to carry out required work in required period of time;	Mandatory
Demonstrated experience with both qualitative and quantitative data collection techniques;	Mandatory
Ability to analyse data collected using SAS/SPSS;	Mandatory
Availability of the following key staff/team members: Research Director – Team Leader; Participatory Approaches Specialist; Social Survey Specialist; Economic survey specialist.	Mandatory
Evaluation criteria	points
Work experience in the area of grant disbursement (knowledge of the territory)	50
Work experience in the area of agriculture production (previous surveys in this sector)	50

Consultant companies may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications. Qualifications and experience of the consulting firm associated as sub-consultancy will not be considered for evaluation for shortlisting.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below from 9-15 hours local time.

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 & Grants] by World Bank Borrowers dated January 2011 (revised July 2014)* ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultants' Qualification (CQ) method set out in the Consultant Guidelines.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **September 28, 2017, 15,00h** local time.

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