

Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI)

(Consulting Services – Selection of Firms)

Country: *Kyrgyz Republic*

Project: *Project Preparation Special Fund Grant for the Water Supply and Sanitation Universal Access Program*

Project No.: *S000668*

Contract/Assignment Title: *Consulting services on the development of design and estimate documentation (DED), ensuring author's supervision for the construction of water supply systems in the subprojects of Chui and Issyk-Kul oblasts*

REOI Reference No: *AIIB-DED-QCBS-2025-1*

Client: *Department of Drinking Water Supply and Wastewater Disposal under the Ministry of Water Resources, Agriculture and Processing Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic*

1. The Kyrgyz Republic has received financing from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB or the Bank) toward the cost of the *Water Supply and Sanitation Universal Access Program*, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the consulting services for which this REOI is issued.
2. The consulting services (“the Services”) include to develop the engineering design and estimate documentation (DED), and tender documents, including the environmental and social documents for subprojects in Chui and Issyk-Kul oblasts. Specifically, the consultant will:
 - Development of detailed engineering design for water supply systems construction and rehabilitation;
 - Preparation of environmental and social safeguards documents relevant to the project component (ESIA, ESMP и RAP);
 - Preparation of tender documents for works contracts;
 - Assistance during the tender process;
 - Author supervision.
3. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment are attached to this Request for Expressions of Interest.
4. The Project Implementation Unit of the “Water Supply and Sanitation Universal Access Program” under the Department of Drinking Water Supply and Wastewater Disposal under the Ministry of Water Resources, Agriculture and Processing Industry of the Kyrgyz Republic 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. Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

The consulting company must meet the following minimum requirements to be shortlisted:

- Overall experience in the design and supervision of water supply investments as a leading consulting company for the past ten (10) years;
 - Specific experience in implementing at least one water supply system design contract covering a population of at least 70,000 residents in the last ten (10) years;
 - with a consulting contract of at least US\$1.0 million for each contract for the past five (5) years;
 - Experience in successful design of water supply systems, including at least one similar contract with a total construction cost of at least \$20 million in the last 5 years.
5. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section II of the Bank's Procurement Instructions for Recipients (PIR), setting forth the Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
 6. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
 7. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the QCBS (Quality Cost Based Selection) method set out in the PIR.
 8. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 9:00 AM to 18:00 PM (local time).
 9. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by e-mail) by **18:00 PM (local time) October 3, 2025.**

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