

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

GEORGIA

Third Regional Development Project (RDPIII) – P150696

Loan No: 8494-GE

Preparation of Mtskheta Archaeological Museum Exposition Concept, Interior Design and  
Management Plan

Reference No: IBRD/RDPIII/CS/CQS/23-2019

The Government of Georgia has received financing from the World Bank (WB) toward the cost of the Third Regional Development Project (RDPIII), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the above consulting services.

Inhabited since before 1000 BC, Mtskheta has been historically an important center at the crossing of ancient trade routes. It was once the capital of the early kingdom of Iberia and the center where Christianity was introduced in the 4th century, before becoming the official State religion in 334. Its religious significance and the importance of its architecture, archeological sites and archeological findings, rank Mtskheta a major site at National level, as outstanding evidence of the Georgian culture from the 2nd Millennium BC to the present era can be found.

Mtskheta has international significance as a World Heritage site (“Historic Monuments of Mtskheta”), comprising with the three different religious complexes: St. Cross temple “Jvari monastery”, Svetitskhoveli cathedral temple, Samtavro monastery. <https://whc.unesco.org/en/list/708>

The Great Mtskheta archeological state museum-reserve is in the city of Mtskheta. It comprises Mtskheta Archeological Museum and the archeological remains and architectural monuments located in the historical Mtskheta territory.

The chronological framework of the artifacts discovered in the area covers a long span of time – from 4th millennium A.D. through late middle centuries (lasting from 1250 to 1500 A.D). These artifacts are testimonies of the ancient Mtskheta –gold tools and jewels made with high skills, glass and clay ware, weapons, ritual belts and items, clothes, toys, architectural remains, etc. More than 23 000 artifacts are stored at **Mtskheta Archeological Museum**.

Mtskheta Archeological Museum should become one of the most important scientific and educational centers, which will demonstrate and make accessible collections stored at the museum (research, restoration-conservation, exhibiting, interpretation, popularization) as well as the architectural and archeological heritage of national and world importance of Mtskheta.

The objective of this assignment is to support the National Agency for Cultural Heritage and Preservation (NACHP) in developing the following deliverables at a quality acceptable to the Client:

1. Exposition concept
2. Museum interior design, and
3. Museum management plan

The duration of the assignment is **9 (nine)** months after contract commencement, excluding 1 month time required for Client and stakeholder’s approvals (**10 (ten) Months in Total**).

**The estimated level of effort for these Consulting Services is estimated to be in the range of USD 250,000.00.**

*The Terms of Reference of the assignment is available as annex.*

The Municipal Development Fund (MDF) invites eligible consultants (“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:**

- Consultant should have an experience in preparing of:
  - i. at least three similar museum exposition concept for the past 10 years.
  - ii. at least three similar museum interior design for the past 10 years.
  - iii. at least two similar museum management plan for the past 7 years.

*Note: the MDF reserves it's right to verify submitted references and use obtained information for evaluation purposes.*

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 - January 2011, revised July, 2014 \("Consultant Guidelines"\)\*](#), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms. (Please take into account that form of association acceptable for the World Bank is either sub-consultancy or Joint-Venture and submission must clearly indicate the nature of the association. The experience of sub-consultants will not be taken into account while evaluating the corporate experience of the consultant).

Experience in the projects relevant to the assignment should be submitted in the Form N1 uploaded at MDF website on the following link: <http://mdf.org.ge/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/Form-for-References.pdf>

The consultants are strongly recommended to limit their Expression of Interest to 30 pages. Company brochures may be included as an Annex, and will not be affected by the limit of 30 pages.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Consultants' Qualifications (CQS) method set out in Section III of the [\*Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers - January 2011, revised July, 2014\*](#).

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 09:00 a.m. to 18:00 p.m. at Procurement Unit of MDF, Phone number: +99532 2437001, extension 414, 444 Mrs. Eka Ezugbaia, World Bank Procurement Consultant.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in English in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **July 11, 2019, at 15:00 local time.**

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