REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
(CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS SELECTION)
RUSSIA

Regional Program on Improving Forest Law Enforcement and Governance in the European Neighborhood Policy East Countries and Russia (ENPI FLEG II) Grant No.: P131138

Assignment Title: ENPI FLEG II CONSULTANT FOR REVIEWING BEST PRACTICES AND CASES OF LEGAL AND SUSTAINABLE FOREST USE BY LOCAL FOREST-DEPENDENT COMMUNITIES AND POSTING THEM INTO THE ONLINE LIBRARY OF BEST PRACTICES.

Reference No.: RUS/C/IC/4

The International Union for Nature Conservation (IUCN) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Regional Program on Improving Forest Law Enforcement and Governance in the European Neighborhood Policy East Countries and Russia (ENPI East Countries FLEG II), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services. The consulting services ("the Services") include: search and review of best practices and cases of legal and sustainable forest use by local forest-dependent communities; legal, environmental and economic expertise of applicability of these practices in different parts of Russia and ENPI region; posting collected practices and evaluations into the online library of best practices; contribution to translation of the online library data into English. The assignment is supposed to be fulfilled within a 6-months period starting January 1, 2015 with extension possible based on performance.

The IUCN now invites eligible Individual Consultants ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should demonstrate that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Diploma or higher degree in environmental economy, environmental sciences, forest and natural resource management or related subject;
- At least 5 years experience in organizing and coordinating online databases creation, data management and technical maintenance;
- At least 5 years experience in the data search, structuring and analysis, and knowledge of advanced statistics;
- Strong analytical skills of the staff in the area of the forest legislation and forest governance;
- Extensive knowledge and understanding of the current issues of forest resources use and governance, as well as Russia’s forestry and environmental legislation;
- Perfect computer literacy including: standard MS Office software, GIS systems (at least one of: Pitney Bowes MapInfo, Blue Marble geographics Global Mapper, D & L Software Pty Ltd OziExplorer, QGis, ESRI ArcGIS, ERDAS Suite); website development and webserver maintenance in multiple programming environments (at least in Debian, Apache, MySQL, PHP and Joomla); web-GIS creation (using PostgreSQL, PostGIS, GeoServer, OpenLayers or similar).
- Perfect literacy in Russian; at least low-intermediate English language proficiency (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages Level B1) will be an asset.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 1.9 and 1.11 of the World Bank’s Guidelines “Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans & Grants by World Bank Borrowers” (January 2011), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest and eligibility.

Consultants may submit their EOI’s accompanied with an extended CV and supporting materials (e.g. key peer-review publications, proof of the similar assignments completion, etc.).

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Individual Consultants’ selection method set out in the Consultant Guidelines. The selection criteria and their weight in the overall scoring are shown in Appendix 1. The best three shortlisted qualified and experienced Consultants shall be shortlisted and shall be asked to submit a financial proposal.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours.

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Expressions of interest, CVs and supporting materials must be delivered in a written form to the above stated address (in person, by mail, or by fax, or preferably by e-mail) by December 6, 2015, 17:00 CET.

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Appendix 1. Evaluation criteria and their weight in the overall scoring for selecting consulting

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