# REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI) (CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL (FINANCIAL) CONSULTANTS SELECTION)

# TURKIYE Municipal Services Project I

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: AFD CTR 1075 01 K / AFD CTR 1075 06 R

Reference No.: AFD2-IND06

ILBANK ("the Beneficiary") has received a grant from the French Development Agency (Agence Française de Développement – "AFD"), for the purpose of financing the costs of the "Municipal Services Project I" (the content of which is further described in the Annex 1 below). İLBANK intends to apply part of the proceeds for the recruitment of individual consultant services ("the Services") for Financial Consultant position (AFD2-IND06).

Financial Consultant will join İLBANK's Project Management Unit (PMU), within its Department of International relations in Ankara, to participate in the daily tasks and activities associated with the management of the Project's implementation, in close collaboration with İLBANK's General Directorates and involved SKIs and Municipalities. The Service is expected to start in September, 2023. The Implementation Period of the Project will be 66 months, starting from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020. One-year renewable contract with a 2 (two) months probation period, will be signed with the Financial Consultant.

ILBANK invites eligible applicants to indicate their interests for the Services mentioned above. For Financial Consultant positions, at least 3 applicants will be shortlisted for each position. Those applicants will then receive a Request for Proposal including detailed terms of reference.

Interested applicants shall submit their Curriculum Vitae (CV) in English in the format given in the Appendix II below, before 03.07.2023, 17.00 (local hour). In their CV, interested applicants must provide information evidencing that they are qualified and experienced to perform the expected Services; only recent and similar services shall be considered when ranking the applications. Determination of the similarity of the experiences will be based on: (i) the nature of the services performed; (ii) implementation of international donors' procedures; (iii) experience in financial management.

Furthermore, the applicants are expected to fulfil all shortlisting criteria detailed below:

- At least a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, Economics, Finance or have an advanced degree (MS. or Ph.D.) in these disciplines from a national or international university.
- Minimum 6 years of general work experience,
- At least 2 years of experience in financial management and implementation of contracts, audit tracking, financial reporting and payment procedure according to the international financial and development organizations, such as World Bank, European Union, AFD and United Nations or any other similar donors,
- Fluency in written and oral English and Turkish,
- Proficiency in key computer applications, e.g., MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint and MS Project,

Eligibility criteria to AFD financing are specified in sub-clause 1.3 of the "Procurement Guidelines for AFD-Financed Contracts in Foreign Countries", available online on AFD's website: http://www.afd.fr

Interested applicants may obtain further information at the e-mail address below during office hours (09.30 to 18.00).

<u>The CV shall be sent in PDF format.</u> Reference Number of the position you apply for shall be mentioned on the CV.

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# **APPENDIX 1: PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

#### **CONTEXT OF THE PROJECT**

ILBANK has signed a grant agreement (the "Financing Agreement") with the French Development Agency (Agence Française de Developpement - AFD) on 13th April 2020, towards financing the costs of the "Municipal Services Project I" (the "Project"). The grant was delegated to AFD by the European Commission under the European Union Facility for Refugees in Turkey (FRIT 2). İLBANK, AFD and the European Commission have agreed to extend the scope of the Project. An Amendment n°1 to the Contribution Agreement between the Commission and the Agency was signed on December 18th, 2020.

#### **OBJECTIVES AND CONTENT OF THE PROJECT**

### 1. CONTENT OF THE PROJECT

The overall objective of the Action is to contribute to the improvement of the living conditions of host communities and Syrian refugees in the South-East of Turkiye in terms of access to water and sanitation services.

The specific objectives are as follows:

- (i) Provide access for host communities and SuTPs (Syrians under Temporary Protection) to safely managed drinking water, wastewater and solid waste services.
- (ii) Participate in the protection of the region's environment and, in particular, of its resources in fresh water, under stress due to climate change.
- (iii) Contribute to the mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions through an improved management of municipal solid waste and wastewater.
- (iv) Support the municipalities and water and sanitation administrations (Su ve Kanalizasyon Idaresi or SKI's) in achieving operational and financial sustainability in solid waste, water and sanitation services.

The specific objectives (ii), (iii) and (iv) are essential to the first objective's sustainability.

The Action will consist of two main components, one infrastructure component (Component 1) and one capacity building and technical assistance component (Component 2), as well as a communication and visibility component (Component 3).

The Project, which is meant to last 66 months from 1st January 2020 onward, includes 3 components:

- 1) A water, sanitation and solid waste infrastructure investment component, comprising nineteen projects located in eight provinces (Kilis, Şanlıurfa, Gaziantep, Mardin Mersin, Hatay, Malatya and Adıyaman)); the exact list of these sub-projects is included below (Appendix 1);
- 2) A technical assistance component, including in particular accompanying measures to improve the performance of solid waste, water and sanitation operators (municipalities and metropolitan municipality water and wastewater administrations called "SKIs"), and to support İLBANK in on-granting management of the Project.
- 3) Communication and visibility actions.

#### STAKEHOLDERS AND MODUS OPERANDI

The Final Beneficiaries of the Project are the targeted water and sanitation operators, whether municipalities or Metropolitan Municipality Water and Wastewater Administrations ("SKI"), with which ILBANK signed On-Granting Agreements, and which will be the owners of the assets financed as part of Component 1. These are:

- 6 SKI in Şanlıurfa (SUSKI), Gaziantep (GASKI), Mardin (MARSU), Mersin (MESKI), Hatay (HATSU) and Malatya (MASKI);
- 4 non-metropolitan municipalities (the centre of Kilis, the centre of Adıyaman, the district municipalities of Elbeyli and Polateli located in the province of Kilis), which manage their water and sanitation services directly under their own management;
- 2 metropolitan municipalities (Gaziantep and Şanlıurfa) for the solid waste management subprojects.

ILBANK, a public bank dedicated to the financing of municipal infrastructures, assumes the role of technical and financial intermediary and the functions of project management assistance to the municipalities / SKI. İLBANK has signed a grant agreement with AFD to that end.

The Primary Beneficiary and technical and financial co-ordinator of the Project is İLBANK, which will act as the Financial Intermediary (FI) to transfer funds to participating municipalities or utilities in the selected provinces within the scope of Component 1 (investments); in addition, İLBANK will directly procure some tenders in relation with Components 2 and 3 (consultancy services such as audit of the project's account, communication and visibility services and external supervision for works)

#### **COST AND FINANCING**

The Project is financed exclusively by a grant, delegated to AFD by the European Commission under the European Union Facility for Refugees in Turkey (FRIT 2). İLBANK, AFD and the European Commission have agreed to extend the scope of the Project. An Amendment n°1 to the Contribution Agreement between the Commission and the Agency was signed on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019. Also with an AFD Loan in the amount of EUR 63 Million, the total budget is EUR 277.82 million.

# **APPENDIX II : FORM OF CURRICULUM VITAE**

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# **Membership of Professional Societies:**

References and transcripts : AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

## Certification

I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this biodata correctly describes myself, my qualifications and my experience.

Signature Date