

## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

**Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine  
Housing Repair for People's Empowerment Project (HOPE)  
Project Management Team (PMT)  
Consultancy Services**

**Country:** Ukraine  
**Project:** Housing Repair for People's Empowerment Project (HOPE)  
**Assignment Title:** Environmental consultant  
**Project ID No.:** P181200  
**Reference No.** (as per Procurement Plan): HOPE-C3-08

Ukraine has received financing from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the "Bank" or IBRD) for the implementation of the project "Housing Repair for People's Empowerment Project (HOPE)" (the "Project") and intends to use part of these funds to make eligible payments for the consulting services for which this Invitation to Express Interest has been issued.

The consultancy services (hereinafter referred to as the "Services") shall comprise the services of Environmental Consultant of the Project Management Team (PMT) for the purposes of the Project. Detailed information on the scope and duration of Services is provided in the attached Terms of Reference.

Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine invites eligible consultants (the "Consultants") to express their interest in providing the Services. Eligible Consultants shall provide information confirming that they have the qualifications and experience required to perform the Services. The selection of most qualified and experienced Consultant for the assignment will be based on the following criteria:

**Required:**

- At least 3 years of experience in the area of environmental safety;
- Experience in social and environmental impact assessment during project development, mainly infrastructure projects (please specify at least 1 project);
- Fluency in Ukrainian and English;
- Complete higher education in the relevant field.

**Desired:**

- Experience in conducting public events (round tables, public hearings, trainings) in Ukraine (please specify at least 1 project);
- Experience in communication with both government partners and communities (rural and urban). Experience working in a variety of sectorial contexts (e.g. housing, infrastructure) in both project design and implementation (please specify at least 1 project).

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers for Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services, dated November 2020, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

CVs must be delivered to the following e-mail: [HOPE@mtu.gov.ua](mailto:HOPE@mtu.gov.ua) with the subject: "**HOPE-C3-08 Environmental Consultant**" in English and Ukrainian languages by **17:00 (Kyiv Time) February 08, 2024**.

A consultant will be selected under IC selection procedure as set out in the Procurement Regulations.

## Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine

**Housing Repair for People's Empowerment (HOPE) Project****TERMS OF REFERENCE AND SCOPE OF CONSULTING SERVICES  
for the **Environmental Consultant** of the Project Management Team (PMT)**

## I. BACKGROUND

1. Russia's invasion of Ukraine continues to impose a severe humanitarian and economic toll. Between February 24, 2022 and April 9, 2023, 22,734 civilians were killed and injured. The invasion also triggered one of the largest human displacement crisis in the world where approximately 5.4 million people (or one-eighth of the population) were displaced within Ukraine, and over 8.1 million people fled to neighboring countries.
2. Damage to infrastructure, housing, and public services continues to grow, with funding needs for recovery and reconstruction estimated at US \$411 billion as of February 24, 2023, with US \$135 billion sustained in direct damage to buildings and infrastructure. According to estimates in the Rapid Damage and Needs Assessment (RDNA) update for the period of February 24, 2022, to February 24, 2023, the most affected sector was housing. Donetsk, Kharkiv, Luhanska, Zaporizka, Odeska, Mykolaivska, Sumska, Chernihivska, Kyivska, and Khersonska oblasts were those sustained the greatest direct damage.
3. The Housing repair for People's Empowerment (HOPE) Project forms part of the World Bank (WB)'s package of emergency financing that has been mobilized to help the Government of Ukraine (GoU) sustain essential government service delivery to the Ukrainian people and repair critical infrastructure. This package includes the IDA-IBRD blended financing for the Public Expenditures for Administrative Capacity Endurance (PEACE) Project (P178946), allowing the GoU to optimize its fiscal space and maintain health, education and social protection services during the wartime, and the Ukraine Relief, Recovery, Reconstruction and Reform Trust Fund (URTF) launched by the World Bank Group (WBG) to activate rapid transfer mechanisms to channel international donor contributions. The first three framework projects have been approved over the last six months for emergency repairs and support in the health, transport, and energy sectors with financing through the URTF. The HOPE Project will be the fourth framework operation and will help affected households to urgently regain adequate housing through emergency repair of damaged housing stock. The components of the HOPE are:
  - Component 1: Repair of residential units with partial damage;
  - Component 2: Design and capital repair of partially damaged Multi-Family Buildings (MFBs);
  - Component 3. Project management and capacity strengthening.
4. The Project is implemented by the Ministry for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine (MCTID) through a Project Management Team (PMT) at the central level to oversee the execution of all Project activities.
5. Implementation of the Project is regulated by the decree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 70 dated January 27, 2016 "On the Procedure for Preparation, Implementation, Monitoring and Completion of Economic and Social Development Projects of Ukraine Supported by International Financial Organizations", other legal acts of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, orders of MCTID, and relevant Project documents including the Project Operations Manual.
6. The activities of the PMT are directly regulated by the provisions of the Procedure for the Activities of the Management Groups for Economic and Social Development Projects of Ukraine Supported by International Financial Institutions, approved by the Order of the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine, the Ministry of Economy and European Integration of Ukraine, the Ministry of Labor and Social Policy of Ukraine, the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine dated October 29, 2002 No. 905/308/550/93/5, registered with the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine on October 29, 2002 № 853/7141, Project Agreement, and the Project Operations Manual.

## II. OBJECTIVE

7. The objectives of this assignment for the Environmental Consultant are to:
  - a. Establish effective coordination between the Client, Project Implementation Unit (PIU) and the World Bank;
  - b. Ensure compliance with the environmental standards under ESF (Environmental and Social Framework of the World Bank) during Project implementation,
  - c. Contribute to the development and implementation of the stakeholders engagement strategy at national, local and regional level; and
  - d. Ensure monitoring of the implementation of the IBRD ESF standards during the project implementation.

## III. SCOPE OF SERVICES

8. To reach the set objectives, the Consultant shall perform the following tasks:
  - a. Support the PMT with coordination of preparation, disclosure and consultation upon adaptation and thereafter implementation an Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) and other site-specific ES instruments, as needed;
  - b. Coordinate with the PMT in preparation, disclosure and implementation relevant site-specific instruments as indicated by the Project ESMF and WB ESSs requirements;
  - c. Ensure incorporation of the relevant E&S instruments into the ESHS specifications of the procurement documents and contracts with contractors and supervising firms;
  - d. Coordinate with PMT team to ensure that the contractors and supervising firms comply and cause subcontractors to comply with the ESHS specifications of their respective contracts.
  - e. Provide advisory assistance related to technical assistance under the Project, in particular, conducting studies (including feasibility studies, if applicable), capacity building activities, training activities, etc. (only in accordance with separate terms of reference for such activities acceptable to the World Bank and agreed with the ESSs);
  - f. Support in passing the audit of the Project subprojects along with their categorization in accordance with the Environmental and Social Management Framework (ESMF) applied for the Project;
  - g. Supervise the preparation of Environmental and Social Management Plans (ESMPs) in accordance with the Project's ESMF, as well as the Bank's ESF standards, if required;
  - h. Participate in organizing trainings for PIU, PMT and MCTID environmental and social management specialists (and local communities' representatives, if needed) on ESF standards applicable to the Project;
  - i. Prepare and submit to the World Bank regular monitoring reports on the environmental performance of the Project, including but not limited to the implementation of the ESCP, status of preparation and implementation of Environmental instruments required under the ESCP
  - j. Coordinate and contribute to quarterly project reports, midterm and final project completion reports required according to the Loan / Grant Agreement for the project as well as other project reports as required by the Client;
  - k. Promptly notify the World Bank of any incident or accident related to the Project which has, or is likely to have, a significant adverse effect on the environment, the affected communities, the public. Provide sufficient detail regarding the scope, severity, and possible causes of the incident or accident, indicating immediate measures taken or that are planned to be taken to address it, and any information provided by any contractor and/or supervising firm, as appropriate;
  - l. Perform other relevant duties applicable to the position in support of the project implementation.

## IV. REPORTING

9. The consultant shall report to the Team Leader of the PMT.

10. The Consultant shall provide monthly reports to the Team Leader covering the results of the implementation of these Terms of Reference during the period of service. The monthly reports shall include, inter alia, sufficiently detailed information on the services provided by the Consultant during the reporting period. The Team Leader may request submission of supporting documentation prepared by the Consultant during the course of this assignment.

#### V. PROVIDED RESOURCES

11. The Client shall provide access for the Consultant to the following:
  - a. A workplace equipped with a PC and a telephone;
  - b. Access to Internet, photocopier, printer and scanner;
  - c. Project-related documentation, including the relevant IBRD documentation.

#### VI. MINIMUM QUALIFICATION CRITERIA:

12. Required:
  - a. At least 3 years of experience in the area of environmental safety;
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  - d. Complete higher education in the relevant field.
13. DESIRED:
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#### VII. PLACE AND DURATION

14. The term of this assignment is from January 2024 to December 2025 and includes a probation period of 3 months. In case of unsatisfactory performance of the functional duties defined by this ToR during the probation period, the contract may get terminated.
15. The Consultant can work remotely for the first year, with the possibility of revising this provision after the first year, or in the office of the Project Management Team in Kyiv, Ukraine. If working remotely, the candidate is expected to be in the UTC+0 to UTC+4 time zone.