

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CONSULTING SERVICES – INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT

Republic of Serbia

Serbia Accelerating Innovation and Growth Entrepreneurship (SAIGE)

Project ID No. P170185

Assignment Title:

- **Science Fund Project Officer, Reference No. SER-SAIGE-IC-CS-25-66-2**

Serbia has received a loan from the World Bank (Bank), through the “Serbia Accelerating Innovation and Growth Entrepreneurship Project” (Project), to support the strengthening of the Serbian Innovation and Entrepreneurship ecosystem. The main objective of the Project is to improve (i) the relevance and excellence of scientific research; and (ii) innovative entrepreneurship and access to finance for enterprise growth, as a way of contributing to Serbia’s growth and competitiveness. The European Union Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA-II) is also providing complimentary financing support for the Project.

Scope of Work

Following are the specific tasks and responsibilities of the engagement of the Consultant:

1. Support the Project implementing entity (PIE)
2. Administrative and technical support to the Project Implementation Unit (PIU)
3. Administrative and technical support to other experts

Timing and Duration

The Consultant will be engaged on a full-time basis until September 30, 2027, which is the official Project end date, with a probation period of 6 months.

Required experience and qualifications

- Postgraduate academic or professional degree (master’s degree, specialist academic degree, or specialist professional degree);
- At least 5 years of relevant professional experience;
- Working experience in the implementation of at least one project implemented/funded by the World Bank or other international organisations;
- Experience in co-operation between officials of the Government and other public authorities;
- Excellent spoken and written Serbian and English;
- Excellent communication, organisation, and teamwork skills;
- Advanced computer skills;

The detailed Terms of Reference for the above referenced consulting services is posted on the website of the NITRA <https://nitra.gov.rs/cir/inovacije/projekat-saige>.

The Central Fiduciary Unit (CFU) of the Ministry of Finance now invites eligible 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 evaluation criteria for the assignment:

- Qualifications and General experience (40 Points)
- Specific Experience relevant to the Assignment (60 Points)

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to paragraph 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the *World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers – Procurement in Investment Project Financing Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services (July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018)* ("the Regulations") setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the *Open Competitive Selection of Individual Consultants* as set out in the Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 09:00 to 15:00 hours.

Expressions of interest in **English language** must be delivered in a written form to the email below, by **July 02, 2025, 12:00 hours, noon**, local time. Interested consultants must provide **Cover Letter** and **CV** representing description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions and availability of appropriate skills (**scanned diplomas to be sent with CV**).

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