REPUBLIC OF KOSOVA

MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT KOSOVO ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT (KEEREP)

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION) FOR REGULATORY SUPPORT FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY REGULATORY FRAMEWORK AND GRID INTEGRATION.

Country: **Kosovo.** Project No. ID **P143055** Credit No**.55080XK** Assignment Title: **Regulatory Support for Renewable Energy Regulatory Framework and Grid Integration** Reference No. **KEEREP /2A1/2015**

The Ministry of Economic Development has applied for financing from the World Bank for the Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") would require a qualified consulting firm to revise and update tariff structure in Energy Regulatory Office for select renewable energy technologies and district heating. In support of these objectives, a grid integration study will also be carried out. In completing this assignment, the following tasks are expected to be carried out:

Task 1: Develop Model for District Heating Tariffs;

Task 2: Comprehensive Review of Regulatory Framework for Renewable Energy and Plan for streamlining:

- a) Barrier analysis to assess the regulatory and institutional barriers that have prevented applications from going forward;
- b) Development of Renewable Energy, Feed-in Tariff scheme and financial model for biogas and biomass projects
- c) Renewable Grid integration component

Contract is expected to be completed during the period June 2015 - May 2016. (The level of effort for this assignment is estimated to be about 560 person-days, with about 25% expected from local consultants).

The Ministry of Economic Development (MED), for and on behalf of the Energy Regulatory Office (ERO), now invites eligible consulting firms ("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:

(i) General experience in energy sector regulation (30%),

(ii) Relevant experience with similar assignments (50%) and

(iii) Organization and staff (20%).

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* dated January 2011 ("Consultant Guidelines"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Consultants may associate with other firms in the form of a joint venture or a sub consultancy to enhance their qualifications.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) set out in the Consultant's Guidelines.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours: 09:00 to 16:00 (Monday to Friday).

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below by May 29, 2015 at 16:00 hours CEST.

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