

Project name	Bukhara Road Network Improvement Project (Phase I)
Country	Republic of Uzbekistan
Business Sector	Transport
Project ID	P000313-UZB
Funding source	Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)
Type of contract	Consulting services
Type of notice	Request for Expression of Interest (REOI)
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## **REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

**Assignment Title:** **Consultancy services for Technical Audit/Review of the Bukhara Road Network Improvement Project (Phase I)**

**References:** **Sub-component 2b: Technical audit consulting (initial, intermediate and final stage) for civil works Contracts and associated construction supervision Contract**

The Committee for Roads under Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Uzbekistan has applied for financing from the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) towards the cost of the Bukhara Road Network Improvement Project (BRNIP), Phase I and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services for technical audit.

The objective of the Technical Audit/Review (TA) assignment is to provide a Factual Summary Report regarding the technical, E&S, Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) and Road Safety (RS) aspects of the selected project components, which includes civil works Contracts and associated construction supervision Contract together with the results achieved during the implementation of the project components and to provide to the Contracting Authority, their Supervisors and to AIIB the recommendations to remedy errors that may occur, or which could lead to improvements in implementation of the project components, namely civil works and construction supervision are in conformity with the applicable regulations, conditions and specifications from a technical perspective.

The duration of the civil works Contract is 5 years, out of which: 2 years for completion of rehabilitation/construction works and 3 years for Defects Notification Period including maintenance services. Similarly, the construction supervision- the task of “The Engineer” under FIDIC, will be subject to this Technical Audit assignment.

The “Avtoyulinvest” Agency under the Committee for Roads of the Republic of Uzbekistan now invites eligible technical audit 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, such as company profile, description of similar assignments (including location/country, name of the Employer/Client, type of services provided, period of contract, contract amount, starting and completion dates), involved staff to the previous similar competed assignments to meet the following shortlisting criteria:

- The firm should have carried out successfully minimum 2 assignments of consulting services for technical audit of road construction projects, as a leading consultant, completed in the last 5 years (2018-2022). The implemented assignments shall include the following:

- The consulting services for technical audit for the projects involving construction/reconstruction of cement concrete roads/highways including two-level interchanges, based on the FIDIC contracts funded by IFI/MDBs;

The selection of the consultants for the short list will be conducted in accordance with AIIB's Interim Operational Directives on Procurement Instructions for Recipients (June 2, 2016) ("Procurement Directive" at [https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/\\_download/operational-directive/policy\\_operational\\_directive\\_procurement-instructions.pdf](https://www.aiib.org/en/policies-strategies/_download/operational-directive/policy_operational_directive_procurement-instructions.pdf)).

Consultants may choose to associate with other firm in the form of a joint venture or a sub-consultancy to enhance their qualifications. In case of an association, the EOI must explicitly specify whether the association is in the form of a Joint Venture (all members jointly and severally liable for the entire assignment), or Sub-consultancy. In case of joint venture, the member firm appointed to represent the joint venture must be clearly identified. Only the qualifications and experience of members of joint venture, but not of sub-consultants, shall be considered in the EOI evaluation process.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the International Open Competitive Selection – Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Directive.

Interested Consultant firms may access Draft Terms of Reference at <https://www.uzavtoyul.uz>.

**Expression of Interest shall be within limit of 40 pages and must be submitted electronically in pdf format to the following email address not later than 3 PM Tashkent Time May 6 2024.**

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