REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**Georgia**

**Project Name: Georgia I2Q - Innovation, Inclusion and Quality**

**Loan No. 89550-GE**

**Assignment Title: General Education Component Lead (National Individual Consultant)**

**Reference No. GE-MESCS-297237-CS-INDV**

Georgia has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the **Georgia I2Q - Innovation, Inclusion and Quality Project** and intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, and related services and consulting services to be procured under this project.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include to plan and lead the implementation of component under the project - Fostering Quality Teaching and Learning in General Education. The Consultant will be responsible for the following subcomponents: Subcomponent - Supporting the scaling up of the whole-school improvement pilot; Supporting capacity-building of teachers and school leaders to adapt, develop, and implement school-based curriculum and Development of a national assessment framework. The implementation period of the consultancy is full time and 1 year (including probation period of first three months). The contract can be extended subject to satisfactory performance as well as operational needs of the Project. Expected start date of the services is July 1, 2022.

The Terms of Reference (TOR) for the primary procurement stage for the can be found at the following link:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/p82bln853421efb/AAAQNF_tpQIggyUVmxZbup9ba?dl=0>

The Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia 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 qualification criteria are:

*Required*:

* MA level degree in Education, Social Sciences or relevant disciplines;
* Minimum 10 years of experience of working in general education sector with 7 years of holding managerial position
* Experience of working in government and/or education institutions engaged in secondary education management
* Experience of working with national minorities engaged in general education sectors on policy or operation levels
* Experience of working towards inclusive education, knowledge of policies and instructions related to children with special education needs
* Experience of collaboration with international donor organizations working towards general education
* Project management experience
* Strategic planning experience
* Fluency in English and Georgian
* Knowledge of MS Word, Excel, Project, PowerPoint
* Proven teamwork skills
* Superior verbal and writing communication skills in Georgian
* Strong verbal, reading and writing skills in English
* Good negotiating skills

The candidate through relevant experience shall demonstrate:

* Knowledge of national secondary education system and its operation, related governing legislation, linkages with other levels of education
* Knowledge of activities of all state agencies engaged in general education
* Knowledge of ongoing and previous education reforms, trends and lessons learned
* Through knowledge of teacher profession regulations, teacher standards and professional development scheme operational on national level and relevant international best practices
* Knowledge of national quality assurance system for general education institutions and relevant international best practices
* Knowledge of national benchmarks for school teacher education academic programs and related quality assurance mechanisms

The candidate shall be familiar with the following national legislation governing and/or related to general education:

* The Law of Georgia [,,On Education Quality Enhancement''](https://eqe.ge/res/docs/EducationalQualityEnhancement.docx)
* The Law of Georgia [,](https://eqe.ge/res/docs/untitled.pdf),On General education''
* Resolution №84 of the Government of Georgia of October 18, 2004 on the approval of the national goals of the general education
* Order №40/n of the Ministry of Education and Science of Georgia on the approval of the national curriculum (national education plan)
* Order №174/n of the Minister of Education and Science of Georgia on the approval of the regulation for teacher induction and termination of the teacher status
* Order №99/n of the Minister of Education and Science of Georgia on the approval of the educational institutions Authorization Charter and of Authorization Fees
* The Law of Georgia on Early Childhood Education

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” revised on November 2020 (“Procurement 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” described in the Procurement Regulations.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours:

Email: procurement@iiq.gov.ge

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form (electronically) to the address below by mail, by **June 24, 2022, 17:00 Tbilisi Time.**

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