

**REPUBLIC OF SERBIA
INNOVATION SERBIA PROJECT
Project ID No. P126229-RE**

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR
INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANCY SERVICES**

PEER REVIEWR

The Republic of Serbia has applied for financing in the amount of EUR 8.4 million equivalent a Grant from European Union Instrument for Pre-Accession (hereinafter: IPA), administered by the World Bank (hereinafter: WB) toward the cost of the Innovation Serbia Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for individual consultancy services under this project.

The Serbia Innovation Fund (IF), needs to engage 50 Individual International Consultants for the position of Peer Reviewer.

Objective of the Assignment

Peer reviewers will provide technical expert evaluation of the project proposals submitted for financing in accordance with the program evaluation criteria.

Scope of work

The general functions and responsibilities of the peer reviewer are:

- Evaluating of detailed project proposals based on the evaluation criteria listed in the Grant manual and in line with the Peer review manual.
- Submitting the comments and scores for the project in the Review Evaluation Form, to the IF Project Manager.

Experience and qualifications

The person suitable for this position should have the following qualifications:

General Qualifications and experience (minimal requirements)

- Advanced university degree in science or engineering
- At least 5 years of work experience in the field of applied research
- Relevant peer review references
- Fluency in English
- Good computer skills (Office programs).

Specific Qualifications and experience

- Proven experience in R&D project management in any of the following fields: life sciences, new materials and nano-technologies, environmental and climate protection,

- energy and energy efficiency, food and agriculture or information- and communication technologies
- Industry consulting experience is preferred
- Excellence in academic and/or applied R&D
- Proven advisory skills

The evaluation of candidates will be done in 2 phases. Only candidates that pass all requirements from the first phase (general qualifications) will be considered for the second round of evaluation where specific qualifications and experience are to be evaluated.

Timing and Duration

Selected peer reviewers would sign consultancy contracts with IF and be would be engaged approximately 5 days per year for the period of 3 years. **It is expected that around 10 projects will be assigned per peer reviewer at least twice a year. Assignments will be delegated as needed.**

The assignment is expected to start in November 2011, subject to signing of Administration Agreement between the World Bank and the European Commission and the Grant Agreement between the World Bank and the Government of Serbia.

The Serbia Innovation Fund (IF) now invites eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services.

The individual consultants will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's [Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers](#) (January 2011).

Interested and eligible individual consultants should send expressions of interest, together with information on relevant experience and CV, by e-mail to the contact information listed below.

Expressions of interest must be delivered by September 2, 2011.

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