

## INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

<b>Country:</b>	Georgia
<b>Sector:</b>	Municipal and environmental infrastructure
<b>Project title:</b>	Feasibility Study for Energy Efficiency Demonstration Project in Public Buildings Located in Mountainous Settlements of Georgia
<b>Contract type:</b>	Consulting services
<b>Issue date:</b>	23 October 2018
<b>Closing Date:</b>	16 November 2018, 12:00 (Finnish time)

**Project/Assignment Description:** NEFCO is looking to contract a qualified Consultant to carry out a Feasibility Study (FS) together with Georgian Stakeholders to develop a Priority Investment Programme (PIP) for energy efficiency improvements in public buildings in remote mountainous areas in Georgia. The overall investment size will depend on the outcome of the FS and the amount of funding that can be mobilized.

The Assignment aims to result in a Feasibility Study of such quality that Georgian Stakeholders, NEFCO and E5P would be able to take a qualified decision on initiating and financing the proposed PIP.

The assignment is expected to consist, but not be limited to the following work packages:

- Stakeholders Coordination and Engagement
- Selection of buildings for the Inclusion into the Investment Program
- Technical Inspections and Energy Scanning of the Building
- Assessment of the Market Readiness and Capacity
- Definition of Priority Investment Programme (PIP)
- Environmental and Social Review
- Procurement Strategy
- Implementation Strategy
- PIP's Risks and Mitigation Analysis
- Draft application for the E5P Support Fund for the grant financing of the project

Shortlisted consultants will receive a fully developed Terms of Reference (ToR) and Request for Proposals (RfP) with instructions. From receiving ToR, at least four (4) weeks will be given to the consultants to submit a proposal.

**Assignment Start Date and Duration:** The Assignment is expected to start in February 2019 and has an estimated overall duration of 6 - 8 months.

**Cost Estimate for the Assignment:** A budget of approximate EUR 300.000 (exclusive of VAT) is expected to be allocated for the assignment. In addition to this costs of international and local travel and accommodation as well as material costs are reimbursable expenses.

**Funding:** The consultant's selection and contracting will be subject to availability of funding. Funds may be allocated from the Sida-NEFCO Consultant Cooperation Fund for Eastern Partnership.

**Eligibility:** There are no eligibility restrictions.

**Consultant Profile:** The consultant will be a firm or consortium of firms with extensive experience in energy efficiency projects and of preparing Feasibility Studies, and working with International Financial Institutions (IFIs).

Based on the fields of expertise and the tasks mentioned above, it is envisioned that the team of the Consultant should consist of at least the following expatriate and local experts:

- Energy Efficiency expert / Team Leader
- Technical expert - Energy Efficiency in Public Buildings
- Financial Analyst
- Environmental and social expert

All key experts should have at least 10 years of experience in energy efficiency sector, as well as prior experience with implementation support of infrastructure projects funded by IFIs. It is further expected that all proposed experts have excellent written and communication skills in English, fluency in Georgian will be considered advantageous.

**Submission Requirements:** Interested consultants are invited to submit their Expression of Interest (EoI). In order to determine the capability and experience of Consultants seeking to be selected for this Assignment, the information submitted should include the following:

1. Company/group of firms' profile, organisation and staffing, including the presentation of the proposed expert team for the assignment.
2. Details of previous project experience or similar assignments particularly undertaken in the previous five years, including information on contract value, contracting entity/client, project location/country, duration (months and years), expert months provided (if different from duration), main activities and objectives.
3. CVs of key experts who could carry out the Assignment detailing education, language skills, qualifications, experience in similar assignments, particularly assignments undertaken in the previous five years, including information on contracting entity/client, project location/country, duration (months and years, from - to), expert months provided, assignment budget, main activities and accomplishments.

The above information should **not exceed 10 pages** excluding CVs and any supplementary information.

The complete Expression of Interest (including CVs) should be submitted in English electronically through email ([procurement@nefco.fi](mailto:procurement@nefco.fi) with copy to [bo.nyhus@nefco.fi](mailto:bo.nyhus@nefco.fi)), to reach NEFCO not later than the closing date/time. The Expression of Interest shall be one (1) file (pdf) not exceeding 5MB in size. NEFCO reserves the right to reject applications of firms submitting more than one file. Only if the permissible file size is exceeded (5MB), the Consultant may split the Expression of Interest into further files.

The short list (expected 3 to 6) of qualified and experienced firms will be made from responses to this notification. The short-listed Consultants will be asked to submit technical and financial proposals, from which the highest-ranked Consultant will be selected.

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NEFCO is an international financial institution established by the five Nordic countries. It finances investments and projects primarily in Russia, Ukraine, Belarus and Georgia as well as climate projects across the world. To date, NEFCO has a number of municipal infrastructure energy efficiency projects in Russia and Ukraine. Projects in public buildings are prioritized as their implementation often results in significant energy efficiency and environmental improvements, as well as they bring social benefits.