**Project Manager** **on Environmental Inspection Reform (Category 1,** **Reform of the environmental control and assessment)**

1. **Objective(s) and linkages to Reforms**

The Reform Support Team (RST) at the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine (MEPR) is composed of a group of Ukrainian professionals (non-civil servants) funded on a temporary basis by international donors to provide targeted technical support and assists the Ministry in the design and implementation of priority reforms. The RST will assist in filling the capacity gaps in the design and implementation of priority reform strategies and programs, while strengthening links and partnerships between the MEPR’s priorities and relevant donor support.

RST experts in their work shall assist the Ministry in coordination of other technical assistance projects as well as ensure complementarity.

Reform of the environmental control and assessment is a part of the priorities of Government Programme dated 12 June 2020 Res.№ 471, aimed on the

• Improving the efficiency of the state environmental control system and prevention of environmental offenses;

•Improving national environmental policy to balance economy development and the environmental protection for the effective implementation of constitutional right for a safe environment;

• Integration of environmental policy into other state policies.

The Ministry has made the Reform of the environmental control and assessment one of its top priorities and is committed to building a healthy and transparent system that will aim to make Ukraine adhere to the international standards.

1. **Position and reporting line**

The Project Manager on Environmental Inspection Reform will work in close cooperation with responsible for the Reform MEPR Deputy Minister and State Environmental Inspectorate of Ukraine.

A highly qualified professional is needed in order to draft, supervise and support the necessary products (documents) related to the Reform of the environmental control and assessment.

The Project Manager on Environmental Inspection Reform will be subordinated to the Director of the RST.

1. **Duration and proposed timeframe**

The initial consultancy assignment is expected to start on 8/03/2021 and has an estimated duration up to 2 months. This assignment has an opportunity for extension for another 12 months, subject to the donors funding availability and the consultant’s performance.

1. **Main Duties, Responsibilities and Deliverables**

**Main anticipated deliverables** for the Reform of the environmental control and assessment include legislative drafts (by-laws), comments, analyses and proposals for:

- Development improvements and further advocacy of the draft law of Ukraine "On state environmental control"

- Adoption of the necessary bylaws to ensure the implementation of the Law "On State Environmental Control":

o draft Procedure of check inspection for business entities,

o draft Procedure of check inspection for central and local authorities,

o draft Procedure of raid inspection.

- Development and advocacy of amendments to the Code of Administrative Offenses and the Criminal Code of Ukraine in order to ensure the appropriate level of fines and penalties for violations of environmental legislation / crimes against the environment

- Development of Methodological recommendations with unification of approaches, algorithms of actions and methods of the state ecological inspectors

- Support in the development and introduction of automated information system "Environmental Inspector": data search and information analysis, preparation of financial justification, presentations, infographics for MEPR, analysis of the pilot version of an automated information system, proposals for improvement

- Drafting and facilitating the adoption of guidance and national standards to scoping the information which should be provided by developer in Environmental Impact Assessment including requirements to baseline surveys and data (to approximate to EU Directive 2011/92/EC):

- sectoral guidance for pilot sectors:

a) thermal power stations,

b) small hydropower stations,

c) motorway construction,

d) extractive industry;

e) guidance for post-project monitoring on nature protected areas (for silviculture).

- Facilitating the adoption of the guidance on Strategic Environmental Assessment for urban planning including climate change issues.

- Facilitating the adoption and strengthening of the necessary procedures envisaged by the Environmental Assessment legislation:

1) post-project monitoring in EIA terms;

2) better practice for post-SEA monitoring that incorporates performance indicators of state environmental policy.

- Draft and endorsement of amendments to the sectoral legislation to follow up standards set to new public and private projects by Environmental Impact Assessment.

- Integrating information resources on the postproject monitoring in the Environmental Impact Assessment system into the state environmental monitoring system.

- Facilitating transparency and digitalization of Strategic Environmental Assessment by developing unified e-service (e-Register) for SEA cases: - Development of the concept of the Information system "Strategic environmental assessment",

- Development of the technical requirements for the Information system "Strategic environmental assessment",

- Data search and information analysis, preparation of presentations, infographics, preparation of tasks for implementation and analysis of the pilot version of the Information system "Strategic environmental assessment"

- Development of proposals for the MEPR to improve and digitalize administrative services.

**Main Duties, Responsibilities:**

a. Coordination and facilitation of reform implementation process

i. development of the sector’s reform agenda and work planning

ii. engagement of relevant stakeholders (experts, government officials, donors, etc.) to Working Group activities

iii. resolution of problems and obstacles encountered during implementation process, identifying and communicating important issues requiring decision of RST Director and/responsible for the Reform Deputy Minister

b. Working Groups support

i. project management support (development of project/reform implementation plan, risk management, change management, etc.)

ii. monitor and evaluate changes to laws and secondary legislation

iii. preparation of timely and quality reports and status updates on reform implementation progress.

1. **Qualifications, Skills and Experience**
   1. ***Qualifications and skills***:

* Master’s degree in finance, economics, law, ecology, biology, chemistry, mathematics, physics or business administration
* Strong organizational management, communication and presentation skills
* PC literacy (PowerPoint, Project, Excel, Word)
* Fluency in Ukrainian and English
  1. ***Professional experience:***
* More than 10 years of general postgraduate professional experience
* 5 years of experience in project management in public or business administration, business consulting
  1. ***Other experience:***
* Proven knowledge and professional experience in public management
* Experience with the reform implementation in Ukraine, especially as related to the Environmental control reform is a plus
* Experience with government entities and their mandate and processes is an asset
* Experience in leading multidisciplinary teams is an asset
* Prior experience of work in public service is a plus.

1. **Funding Source**

The funding source of this assignment is the EBRD Ukraine Stabilisation and Sustainable Growth Multi-Donor Account (MDA). Contributors to the MDA are Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, the United States and the European Union, the largest donor.

Please note, selection and contracting will be subject to the availability of funding.

1. **Submissions**

Submissions must be prepared in English only and be delivered electronically by 21 February 23.59 (Kyiv time), 2021 to [rst.mepr@gmail.com](mailto:rst.mepr@gmail.com) . All submissions must include a completed Application Form [*provide link to download*], NDA Form, the candidate’s Curriculum Vitae and Reference Letter from a recent supervisor (original in English, or Ukrainian with English translation) together with the contact details for two further referees who, if contacted, can attest to the professional and/or educational background of the candidate.

Only applications which have been submitted using the correct template and are fully completed will be considered.

1. **Selection Procedure**

Following the evaluation of all applications received, selected candidates may be invited to the tests. Only shortlisted candidates will be invited to the interview.