



MONTENEGRO

**Ministry of Science and Ministry of Education and Sports
Study on Capital Research Equipment and Creation of Joint Research
Facility**

Consulting Services: **Individual Consultants**

Loan No. **8118-0 ME**

Reference No. **MNE-HERIC-81180-IC-CS-12- 3.3.1.2.1**

Request for Expressions of Interest

This request for expressions of interest follows the general procurement notice for this project that appeared in *Development Business* on May 03, 2012.

Montenegro has received a loan in the amount of 12.00 million EUR (equivalent to US\$ 15.98 million) from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) for the “Higher Education and Research for Innovation and Competitiveness” (HERIC) project.

The Ministry of Science (MoS) intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan towards payment for consulting services under the contracts for **Study on Capital Research Equipment and Creation of Joint Research Facility**.

The consultant will conduct a series of field visits to the mapped research institutions that are eligible to apply for the research grants and for the pilot CoE grants, as well as for other research activities in Montenegro. The consultant will prepare recommendations to research institutions across Montenegro to enable the country to pull together and efficiently use its precious paraphernalia resources through the optimized use of research equipment. The findings will be used by the MoS of Montenegro through HERIC Project in defining new ways to facilitate equipment, to promote networking in implementing research grants and in establishing pilot Center of Excellence (CoE), so that through a combination of these efforts, scientific productivity and innovation may be significantly increased.

It is expected that the selected consultant will take up his/her work by January 2013 and will be completed by March 2013. The required level of inputs is estimated to a total of twenty (20) working days.

The Individual Consultant is to meet the following criteria:

- Mechanical or Electrical Engineer or similar technical field, preferably MSc or PhD degree holder;
- At least three years of previous experience in research equipment assessment;
- Experience in developing the plan of optimized use of the equipment including cost/revenue estimation in its usage and rental;
- Experience in interdisciplinary linkages of the research projects and its reflection on the joint assets and facilities;
- Ability to write and to communicate orally in both Montenegrin and English;

The MoS through the HERIC PMT and Technical Service Unit now invite eligible individual consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (CV, brochures, description of similar assignments performed, experience in similar conditions, etc.). Individual consultants may be offered through firms or other organizations, but the qualifications of the individual consultant will be the basis of selection.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below from 9-15 hours local time.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the selection of Individual Consultants-IC procedures set out in the World Bank's [*Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers*](#) (January, 2011).

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by **November 23, 2012, 17,00h** local time.

EOI can be submitted Via E-mail or in envelope and must clearly indicate project name, subject number and sender details.

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