REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

(INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANTS)

REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN

“COMMUNITY-BASED AGRICULTURAL SUPPORT PROJECT+”

Assignment Title: International Expert on Veterinary Surveillance and Public Veterinary Health Service under “Community-Based Agriculture Support Project+” (CASP+)

Reference No. #CASP+PMU-0070-CS-ICS

The State Enterprise “Project Management Unit “Livestock and Pasture Development” (PMU) financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) towards the cost of “Community-Based Agricultural Support Project+” and intends to apply part of the proceeds for recruitment of consulting services.

The use of any IFAD financing shall be subject to IFAD’s approval, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the financing agreement, as well as IFAD’s rules, policies and procedures. IFAD and its officials, agents and employees shall be held harmless from and against all suits, proceedings, claims, demands, losses and liability of any kind or nature brought by any party in connection with CASP+.

The consulting services (“the Services”) include performance of tasks as an International Expert on Veterinary Surveillance and Public Veterinary Health Service.

This request for expressions of interest (REOI) follows the general procurement notice that published on the UNDB website on November 3, 2023.

The PMU (“the client”) now invites eligible “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. Interested firms should fill the template for expressions of interest and submit found at the following e-mail: [procurement.casp@mail.ru](mailto:procurement.casp@mail.ru) ([procurement.lpdp@mail.ru](mailto:procurement.lpdp@mail.ru)) and send it to the address indicated below.

The attention of interested consultants is drawn to IFAD’s Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism Policy[[1]](#footnote-1) and the Revised IFAD Policy on Preventing Fraud and Corruption its Activities and Operations[[2]](#footnote-2). The latter sets forth IFAD’s provisions on prohibited practices. IFAD further strives to ensure a safe working environment free of harassment, including sexual harassment, and free of sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) in its activities and operations as detailed in its IFAD Policy to Preventing and Responding to Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse.[[3]](#footnote-3)

Interested consultant shall not have any actual, potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest. A consultant with an actual, potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest shall be disqualified unless otherwise explicitly approved by the Fund. A consultant including their respective personnel and affiliates are considered to have a conflict of interest if they a) have a relationship that provides them with undue or undisclosed information about or influence over the selection process and the execution of the contract, b) participate in more than one EOI under this procurement action, c) have a business or family relationship with a member of the Purchaser’s board of directors or its personnel, the Fund or its personnel, or any other individual that was, has been or might reasonably be directly or indirectly involved in any part of (i) the preparation of this REOI, (ii) the shortlisting or selection process for this procurement, or (iii) execution of the contract. The consultant has an ongoing obligation to disclose any situation of actual, potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest during preparation of the EOI, the selection process or the contract execution. Failure to properly disclose any of said situations may lead to appropriate actions, including the disqualification of the consultant, the termination of the contract and any other as appropriate under the IFAD Policy on Preventing Fraud and Corruption in its Projects and Operations.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the ICS method set out in IFAD’ project procurement handbook that can be accessed via the IFAD website at [www.ifad.org/project-procurement](http://www.ifad.org/project-procurement).

The shortlisting criteria are:

- At least 8 years of experience in the implementation of national level veterinary surveillance activities – 20 points;

- Prior experience in supporting the revision and improvement of national veterinary surveillance system – 15 points;

- Work experience in Central Asian countries is desirable – 15 points;

- Minimum 3-year experience in working in international animal health or livestock development projects– 20 points;

- Strong interpersonal skills and team spirit – 15 points;

- Good knowledge of verbal and written English; knowledge of Russian is of preference – 15 points. (Totally making 100 points).

Only the top-ranked consultant will be invited to submit a technical and financial proposal.

Any request for clarification on this REOI should be sent via e-mail to the address below [procurement.casp@mail.ru](mailto:procurement.casp@mail.ru) [procurement.lpdp@mail.ru](mailto:procurement.lpdp@mail.ru) no later than June 24, 2025. The client will provide responses to all clarification requests by June 27, 2025 from 09:00 to 17:00.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in written form with the CV and cover letter. EOIs shall be submitted to the address below no later than July 3, 2025, 17:00 local time.

The consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the IFAD Procurement Guidelines (September 2010 edition): Selection of Individual Consultant Services (ICS).

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1. The policy is accessible at <https://www.ifad.org/en/document-detail/asset/41942012>. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. The policy is accessible at [www.ifad.org/anticorruption\_policy](http://www.ifad.org/anticorruption_policy). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. The policy is accessible at <https://www.ifad.org/en/document-detail/asset/40738506>. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)