**GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE**

REPUBLIC OF NORTH MACEDONIA

SOCIAL INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION PROJECT

Sectors:  Social Protection & Labor

IBRD Loan No. 9036-MK

Project ID No. P170343

The Republic of North Macedonia has received financing in the amount of US$ 15.17 million equivalent from the World Bank toward the cost of the Social Insurance Administration Project  (SIAP), and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, related services and consulting services to be procured under this project.

The project will include the following three main components:

Component 1: Improving the quality of the social insurance administration services

This component will finance technical assistance, goods and works needed for:

1.1 Establishment of Single Unified Registry System for social insurance (SURS)

* Technical assistance for legislative changes,
* Business needs analysis for all social insurance agencies and tax administration,
* Design of SURS: business operations model; database system; software applications; electronic document management system; business functions and processes; operating rules and procedures; identify interfaces and linkages (including communications infrastructure) needed by SURS system and with other participant agencies, etc,
* Develop and implement SURS,
* SURS hardware, software (including licenses), and document management system procurement,
* Data cleanup of institution's existing data (including cleanup and digitization of legacy data

1.2 Business process improvement and modernization in Pension and Disability Fund (PIOM)

* Functional review of the PIOM and proposal for PIOM modernization, including business processes, technical capacity, actuarial capacity, HR training, client services,
* Technical Assistance for business processes redesign,
* Software development and procurement of hardware

Component 2: Strengthening the regulatory framework for persons with disabilities and for hazardous occupations

This component will finance technical assistance, goods and works for

2.1 Establishing Central Disability Certification Coordination Unit (CDCCU)

* Preparation of documents for establishing a CDCCU including design of business processes and system of monitoring, evaluation, licensing, supervision, and control,
* Technical Assistance for legislative changes,
* Implementation of the CDCCU, including Developing business processes and Software development

2.2 Reforming the system of employment of persons with disabilities (PWDs

* Technical assistance for legislative changes regarding the employment of workable PWDs (Law on employment of PWDs)
* Support to implementation of the reform of the system of employment of PWDs and improvement of public awareness on inclusion and employment of persons with disabilities including Development of the National Registry of PWDs -development of business processes

2.3 Revision of the list of hazardous occupations eligible for early retirement with extended service period (ESP)

* Hiring a licensed reputable international company for Revision of the list of hazardous occupations eligible for early retirement with extended service period (ESP),
* Reform proposal of the early retirement system for hazardous occupations

Component 3: Project management, monitoring and evaluation

This component will finance the activities that would ensure effective administration and implementation of the project development and implementation of a Monitoring and Evaluation  system for the project.

Procurement of contracts financed by the World Bank will be conducted through the procedures as specified in the World Bank’s Procurement Regulations for Investment Project Financing (IPF) Borrowers – Procurement in IPF of Goods, Works, Non‐Consulting and Consulting Services, (Regulations) issued in July 2016, revised November 2017 and August 2018 *(Procurement Regulations)*, and is open to all eligible firms and individuals  as defined in the *Procurement Regulations*. The World Bank shall arrange the publication on its external website of the agreed initial procurement plan and all subsequent updates once it has provided a no objection.

Specific procurement notices for contracts subject to open international competitive procurement will be announced, as they become available, in *UN Development Business online, on the World Bank’s external website , on the Ministry of Labor and Social Policy of the Republic of North Macedonia’s web site*(*www.mtsp.gov.mk),*on the portal of the Macedonian Public Procurement Bureau (https://e-nabavki.gov.mk/PublicAccess/home.aspx#/notices) and if relevant in newspaper of national circulation in the Republic of North Macedonia.

Interested eligible firms and individuals who would wish to be considered for the provision of goods, works, non-consulting services and consulting services for the above mentioned project, or those requiring additional information, should contact the Borrower at the address below:

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