

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT SELECTION)

REPUBLIC OF LEBANON

Lebanon Renewable Energy and System Reinforcement Project (P180501)

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: TBD

Assignment Title: Environmental and Social Specialist

Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): LB-EDL-509828-CS-INDV

1. Background

The Government of Lebanon has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Lebanon Renewable Energy and System Reinforcement Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services. The project will be implemented through Electricité du Liban (EDL) and the Litani River Authority (LRA). The total project cost is 250MUSD, financed through a IBRD loan financing.

This project is designed to strengthen Lebanon's electricity infrastructure, enhance renewable energy integration, and improve overall energy sector efficiency. It includes investments in grid modernization, hydropower rehabilitation, network reinforcement, and institutional capacity building to ensure the sustainability of Lebanon's energy sector.

To facilitate effective project implementation, EDL and LRA have established Project Management Teams (PMTs) composed of professionals who will lead or support the achievement of the respective project component objectives.

The EDL is seeking to recruit an Environment and Social Safeguards Specialist.

2. Objective of the Assignment

The Environmental and Social Specialist will be responsible for ensuring that project activities comply with the World Bank's Environmental and Social Framework (ESF), including the Environmental and Social Commitment Plan (ESCP), national environmental regulations, and other applicable standards. The specialist will oversee environmental and social risk management, stakeholder engagement, grievance redress mechanisms, and capacity-building efforts for EDL and project stakeholders.

3. Scope of Work

The Environmental and Social Specialist will undertake the following tasks:

- Ensure implementation and monitoring of the ESCP, Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP), Labor Management Procedures (LMP), and any other E&S management plans prepared during Project implementation (ESIA, ESMP, etc).

- Provide guidance on environmental and social standards to project teams and contractors.
- Conduct stakeholder consultations and ensure effective grievance redress mechanisms functioning.
- Support the preparation of E&S progress reports and compliance documentation.
- Coordinate with regulatory authorities and the World Bank to ensure timely approvals and clearances.
- Conduct environmental and social site audits to ensure adherence to mitigation measures.
- Organize capacity-building sessions on E&S management for project stakeholders.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment are attached to this request for expressions of interest and can be found at the following websites www.ppa.gov.lb and www.edl.gov.lb, or can be obtained at the address given below

6. Selection Method

The selection will be conducted in accordance with the **World Bank Procurement Regulations for Investment Project Financing (IPF) Borrowers (September 2023)**, under the **Selection of Individual Consultants** method.

7. Submission of Expressions of Interest

Interested individual consultants should submit their **Expression of Interest (EOI)** including:

- **Updated CV** demonstrating relevant experience and qualifications.
- **Cover letter** outlining suitability for the assignment.
- **At least three references** with contact details.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person or via e-mail by 26/9/2025 to: lresrp-proc@edl.gov.lb , with the following subject line: “Expression of Interest-Environmental and Social Specialist-Proc. Lebanon Renewable Energy and System Reinforcement Project”.

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