



## **WORLD BANK**

### **Short Term Consultant – Analyst**

#### **For the Transport Sector, Zagreb office, Transport and ICT Global Practice**

The Europe and Central Asia (ECA) Region is characterized by a rapidly changing business environment with countries in different stages of development. The ECA Region currently is comprised of 30 countries with a population of nearly 500 million people. Ten of our clients have joined the European Union (EU), about half of which continue to remain active recipients of knowledge and/or lending services while others are still borrowing. Country Assistance/ Partnership Strategies reflect this strong diversity with substantial variation in lending prospects, but strong demand for World Bank (WB) Group technical services is present across the board. Our business model is in an exciting and rapid transition.

The World Bank in Croatia has a rich operational program in the transportation sector with emphasis on policy, institutional strengthening, governance and support to EU funds absorption. The main transport projects currently under implementation are: in the port sector, the Rijeka Gateway Project and the Trade and Transport Integration project, focusing on competitiveness of the Ports of Rijeka and Ploce; and in the railways sector, the Sustainable Croatian Railways in Europe Project, focusing on restructuring and modernization of the railway sector companies. All our operations in these sectors have strong institutional and economic components and are designed to assist Croatia in its EU absorption efforts. Sector work and research activities in the roads sector are expected to be prepared and delivered in the short-term.

The Transport and ICT Global Practice is looking to hire a Short Term Consultant (STC) who will work out of the Bank's Croatia Country Office to provide substantive operational, research and analytical support, to the Bank's transport teams in Croatia.

The STC will provide a full range of operational support to a number of project teams under the overall coordination of a Transport Program Team Leader (PTL). The supervising manager is Juan Gaviria, Practice Manager Transport for Europe and central Asia. The assignment will encompass, but will not be limited to:

#### **Duties and Accountabilities of the Consultant will include:**

- ❖ Support the implementation of ongoing transport investment projects in Croatia, including support to the economic, financial and institutional strengthening components of the transport projects under preparation and implementation. This entails review of reports and other documents and providing timely responses, collecting and analyzing data (statistics,

operational and financial performance), undertaking background research, and contributing to the reports prepared by the Bank's teams.

- ❖ Support various Project teams and Transport Sector Specialists in activities related to supervision, implementation, and preparation of ongoing and proposed new transport projects in Croatia. This would include preparation of letters, briefs, presentations; financial and operational analysis required for the Bank's projects supervision; desk analysis of various reports; and participation at meetings;
- ❖ Undertake research, analysis, studies and reviews required for Bank's studies, analytical pieces and research;
- ❖ Collecting and analyzing data, preparing briefings, undertaking analysis of EU requirements, compliance and standards in the transport sectors; data processing and analysis related for instance to transport flows, traffic forecast, transport company financial simulation including risk analysis
- ❖ Participate in IFI and co-financing coordination meetings as requested, support to portfolio management in the transport sector, support to visiting mission by Bank management and contribution to the sector analysis necessary to support the World Bank country engagement in Croatia.
- ❖ Other specific activities as deemed necessary.

## **Requirements**

- ❖ MSc or MA equivalent in Economics, Finance, Public Policy, , Engineering or Business Administration
- ❖ Knowledge of transportation sector policy and operations (i.e., road and/or railway sector) is an added advantage
- ❖ Demonstrated track record in contributing to research and analytical studies;
- ❖ Excellent analytical and communication skills; ability to analyze issues, diagnose problems and propose reliable solutions;
- ❖ Excellent written and oral communication skills in English and Croatian;
- ❖ Advanced knowledge of MS office applications (Word, Excel, PowerPoint);
- ❖ Good understanding of economic, social and political factors and their impact on the development process in Croatia. Good understanding of country's economy, infrastructure sectors, and relevant needs and priorities;
- ❖ Knowledge and practical experience of EU procedures and policies (particularly in the infrastructure sectors) would be an advantage.

## **Type of contract**

Under this assignment, the consultant will work from the World Bank Office in Zagreb until June 30, 2015 (end of World Bank Fiscal year). The consultant is expected to work about 40 days for this assignment. A contract for the next fiscal year may be proposed subject to consultant's performance and ability to undertake the above mentioned work.

## **How to apply?**

Interested applicants should forward their CV and motivation letter in English, including their qualifications and relevant experience to perform the job by Thursday, **May 7, 2015** electronically to: [jbrcic@worldbank.org](mailto:jbrcic@worldbank.org). Only short-listed candidates will be contacted for interviews.