

Request of Expressions of Interest

REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

Capacity Building for Quality Improvement and Modernization of the Education System

CONSULTING SERVICES to Strengthen the Expert Capacity of the Centre for Control and Assessment of the Quality in Education (CCAQE)

IDF Grant No. TF056222

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The Centre for Control and Assessment of the Quality in Education (CCAQE) as a scientific-informative agency of the Ministry of Education and Science has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Grant for Capacity Building for Quality Improvement and Modernization of the Education System, and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consultant services. The main objectives are to improve the proficiency of the CCAQE staff in test development process and to improve the proficiency of the CCAQE staff (including data managers) to analyze data from national assessments. The services include consulting and training of the CCAQE staff in:

- Test development processes;
- Main methods and techniques in educational measurement in the areas of Item analysis and test's characteristics, Data analysis and scaling, Test scoring and Standards setting, using the existing databases in CCAQE;
- Producing a comprehensive report on the test development process.

The duration of the project is 12 weeks. It is expected the Consultant to work together with the experts from the CCAQE. The consultant shall produce and submit two project reports to the Director of the CCAQE at 7th and 11th week of the beginning of the project.

The CCAQE now invites eligible consultants to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.). Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications.

A consultant will be selected in accordance with the procedures set out in the World Bank's [*Guidelines: Selection and Employment of Consultants by World Bank Borrowers*](#) (current edition).

Interested consultants may obtain further information via telephone +359 2 9705611, e-mail ckoko@mon.bg or at the address below during office hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by [10 December 2008].

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