

## TERMS OF REFERENCE

<b>Contract</b>	<b>PIU Individual experts, ECEPP ID: 38325551</b>		
<b>Project</b>	<b>Issyk-Kul Ring Road Improvement Project EBRD ID 52367</b>		
<b>Expertise</b>	<b>Environmental and Social Specialist</b>		
<b>Source</b>	National	<b>Category</b>	Independent individual consultant
<p><b>Objective/Purpose of the Assignment:</b>  The main objective is to supervise the execution of construction works in accordance with technical specifications in the implementation of projects financed by EBRD; and assistance to the Projects Implementation Unit (PIU) and MoTC KR to ensure monitoring and control of environmental measures in accordance with the terms of agreements with donors. Environmental monitoring under the Issyk-Kul Ring Road Improvement Project and other projects implemented by the EBRD.</p> <p><b>Scope of services and responsibilities</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Responsible for the implementation of environmental safeguards under the investment road projects in accordance with the agreements signed with donors; this will include assistance in preparation and evaluation of bidding documents for civil works to ensure the inclusion of mitigation measures as specified in the EMP;</li> <li>2. Liaison and coordination with the Engineer and the Contractor (including international environmental expert(s) working under Supervision contracts) on all environmental issues under road projects, particularly implemented in ecologically sensitive zones;</li> <li>3. Monitoring of the Contractor's compliance with national legislation on all environmental issues and environmental management during project implementation;</li> <li>4. Coordination of timely updating of EIA, IEE, and access to them on projects website;</li> <li>5. Coordination of preparation, review and implementation of Environmental Management Plan (EMP);</li> <li>6. Coordination of environmental monitoring system during road construction works and post-project period;</li> <li>7. Supervision over implementation of environmental protection policy and action plan on sites;</li> <li>8. Coordination of public consultations on environmental issues conducted by Consultant with participation of all stakeholders;</li> <li>9. Responsible for regular and effective communication with public and NGO concerning environmental issues under projects being implemented;</li> <li>10. Review of Engineer's monthly environmental reporting, and taking proper measures based on comments; and</li> <li>11. Responsible for preparation of semi-annual monitoring reports and reflecting environmental issues in the quarterly progress reports.</li> <li>12. Environmental specialist is responsible for the following deliverables <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Proper performance of national environment protection and conservation legislation;</li> <li>– Timely updating of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Plan (EMP), and provision of access to the document;</li> <li>– Proper and full implementation of Environmental Management Plan (EMP);</li> <li>– Opinion on environmental aspect covered by regular progress reports.</li> <li>– Assistance in preparation of environmental monitoring reports 2 times per year.</li> <li>– Carrying out environmental surveys and preparation of project environmental impact reports in course of project implementation.</li> <li>– Development of an environmental impact assessment</li> <li>– Participation in drafting ToR to ensure compliance with environmental legislation</li> <li>– Participation in the EIA assessment</li> <li>– Maintaining acceptable standards of environmental impact;</li> <li>– Running business cooperation, sending requests, collecting and analyzing information on social and environmental issues received from all parties involved in the project implementation;</li> <li>– Assisting Consultants in project monitoring, social, economic and environmental impact assessment, and preparation of progress reports on all key indicators;</li> <li>– Provision of information on the project progress and results to the PIU, MOTC, and other</li> </ul> </li> </ol>			

stakeholders on a regular basis;

- Identification of problems and obstacles encountered during project implementation;
- Implementation of the project in accordance with regulatory documents (grant agreements, financing agreement, operational guidelines, etc.);
- Daily monitoring of the Consultants` and Contractors` performance under the project with respect to the timeliness of environmental reports and their compliance with the ToRs;
- Participation in all project meetings between the Client and the Contractor, and covering environmental and social issues at such meetings (it is important to ensure that environmental safeguards are reflected in the daily information flow and decision-making process);
- Review of the relevant project environmental documentation, such as the Environmental Management Plan (EMP), as well as other project documentation, where appropriate, and monitoring of proper implementation by the responsible parties;
- Interaction with environmental authorities
- Participation in the preparation of monthly, quarterly and annual narrative reports related to the project implementation.
- Performance of official commissions of the PIU Head.

**Output/Reporting Requirements:**

Environmental Specialist shall report to the PIU Head.

**Qualification and experience:**

- Higher education;
- At least 3 years of experience as a specialist in ecology and land resources.
- At least 5 years of experience in public and/or municipal service or experience in investment projects is welcome;
- Knowledge of the requirements of the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On Environmental Protection", the Land Code of the Kyrgyz Republic, the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On Subsoil" and the Law "On the Protection and Use of Historical and Cultural Heritage".
- Experience in environmental monitoring;
- Excellent knowledge of the Kyrgyz language, fluent Russian, knowledge of English (preferred);
- Good computer skills, knowledge of all Microsoft Windows office applications.

<b>Places of Assignment:</b>	<b>Days/months</b>	<b>Dates</b>
Principal place of services is the PIU office at the Ministry of Transport and Communications of the Kyrgyz Republic with intermittent visits to the construction sites when required.	___ months,	Services Commencement date - ..... 2025. The contract shall be valid until 31 December 2025.

Note: The trial period is 3 months. The assignment period is about 7 months. The term of engagement can be extended by mutual agreement of the parties.