

## **DESIREE Gas Project**

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The Kozloduy International Decommissioning Support Fund was established in 2001 to support the decommissioning of units 1-4 of the Kozloduy Nuclear Power Plant in Bulgaria. One of the purposes of this Fund is to finance or co-finance the preparation and implementation of selected projects that aim the necessary restructuring, upgrading and modernisation in the energy sector and improving energy efficiency.

The Ministry of Economy and Energy (MEE) intends using the proceeds of the grant funds provided by the Kozloduy International Decommissioning Support Fund (the “KIDSF”), administered by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the “Bank” or “EBRD”) towards the cost of a consultancy assignment for the Project for Demand Side Residential Energy Efficiency Through Gas Distribution Companies In Bulgaria (DESIREE Gas Project). The purpose of the Project is to provide a dedicated and effective mechanism to support gasification of the Bulgarian households.

This General Procurement Notice draws attention to the forthcoming competitive selection of a Project Consultant to MEE: consultancy services over three years for project preparation and implementation. The Project Consultant shall prepare the Project implementation tools, including a strict mechanism for control of used grants and a verification mechanism. The Project Consultant shall also monitor, control and report the performance of the Project to MEE and the Bank.

The estimated budget of the assignment is €450,000.

The procurement is expected to begin in the third quarter of 2014. Procurement will be carried out in accordance with EBRD Procurement Policies and Rules with the exception of country eligibility restrictions defined within the KIDSF Rules and will be open to consultancy firms from the following eligible countries as of 1 May 2014: the EU member states, Switzerland and EBRD countries of operation.

The proceeds of the grant shall not be used for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations or under a law or official regulation of the purchaser's country.

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