REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

**Republic of North Macedonia**

**Primary Education Improvement Project**

Loan No.: **9182-MK**

Assignment Title: **IMPACT EVALUATION OF THE SCHOOL GRANTS PROGRAM**

**Reference No**. **MK-MES-217840-CS-INDV/015-23**

The Republic of North Macedonia has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Primary Education Improvement Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for the following consulting services: Individual Consultant for Impact Evaluation of the Schools Grant Program.

The objective of the assignment is to measure the effect of the implemented grant activities during the overall period of the implementation of the School Grants Program expected to be implemented in the school years 2023/2024 as pilot phase and in 2024/2025 as main phase. Expected duration of the services is July 2023- February 2026. The Terms of Reference are available on the following web sites:

https://e-nabavki.gov.mk/PublicAccess/home.aspx#/international-donor-announcements and https://mon.gov.mk/peip

The Ministry of Education and Science now invites eligible individual consultants (“Consultants”) to express their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide their letter of interest, professional biography (CV) and other relevant documents/information demonstrating that they have the following required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services:

• Master’s degree in economics or similar discipline;

• Experience with at least 2 impact evaluations undertaken in the past 10 years.

• Proven relevant experience in impact evaluation in education; Experience with impact evaluation in developing countries, particularly inNorth Macedonia and/or the Western Balkan region would be an advantage;

• Proven analytical, problem-solving and quantitative skills, including statistical packages;

• Proven ability to build capacity of government officials;

• Excellent oral and writing skills in English;

• Publication track record is desirable;

• Experience on World Bank or other IFIs projects will be an advantage;

• Excellent English language skills.

The Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection of Individual Consultants method set out in the Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers dated July 2016, revised November 2017, and August 2018 (“Procurement Regulations”).

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours [08:30 to 16:30].

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, by mail, or by e-mail) **by 25 June 2023 end of day.**

Ministry of Education and Science- Primary Education Improvement Project

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