Project "Green Transition - Implementing Industrial Emissions Directive in Serbia 2021-2027"

Terms of Reference

Local STE Junior – IED specialist

1. Position: Local Short Term Expert Junior – IED specialist

2. Project background

The project's aim is to enhance the prevention and control of industrial pollution in Serbia through the support to industry and institutions in achieving the required level of readiness for the accession to the EU and being prepared for Green Transition.

This general aim encompasses 4 specific objectives:

AIM: Enhanced prevention and control of industrial pollution in Serbia Enhanced Increased knowledge about Strengthened Sustainable preparedness for IED and quality of implementation uptake of BAT public the negotiation **OBJECTIVES** of the National through with the EU of IED participation in Legislation on innovation and and connected the integrated **IPPC** green transition topics permitting process

The activities that will be implemented in order to achieve these objectives are grouped in 4 strategies:

- S.1 Enhancing the quality of the negotiating position on IED;
- S.2 Increasing the efficiency of the integrated permitting process;
- S.3 Promoting the compliance with the BATs requirements;
- S.4 Raising awareness and knowledge on industrial pollution prevention and control.

These strategies are designed in a way to support the full implementation of the national regulation on IPPC by promoting the transition of Serbian industries to green technologies. This means helping Serbian institutions to introduce the necessary changes in the legal and administrative framework that will minimize the influence of existing obstacles and bottlenecks on the IPPC regulatory cycle. Additionally, it will be pursued an enhancement of the knowledge of industrial operators about the importance of the compliance with BAT requirements in connection with the opportunities offered by the Green Transition.

Project's implementation phase has started on the 1st August 2021 and its duration was initially planned until the 31st December 2024. In December 2023, Sida and the Faculty of Technology and Metallurgy, University of Belgrade signed an extension of the project activities until the 31st December 2026. The extension of the project duration is aimed at further supporting Serbian institutions and companies for the implementation of the new Law on IPPC.

3. Objectives and description of the activities

The goal of the assignment is to provide technical support to the Ministry of Environmental Protection of the Republic of Serbia in the implementation of the Industrial Emissions Directive, by mean of various activities:

Activity 1.4:

Support the MEP in monitoring the process of revision of the negotiating position and of the implementation plan for the IED. In particular, the DSIP for Chapter 2 of the IED will be integrated with a new plan for the issuance of integrated permits. For this purpose, the Project will carry out an assessment of the level of documental completeness for each IPPC installation and, based on that, will support the MEP in defining a yearly work-plan for the issuance of integrated permits where priority will be given to procedures where operators already obtained all the necessary permits or the permits could be easily finalized in cooperation with other competent authorities. In this way, the plan will be realistic and consistent with the time and resources planned;

Activity 2.3:

Preparation of draft integrated permits for farms and other industrial installations in full compliance with the requirements of the IED and the national regulation. A team of experts will work with a group of permit writers, selected from different competent authorities, in order to analyze and solve together administrative and technical problems related to the installations for which the draft integrated permits will be prepared. The sector for intensive rearing of pig and poultry will have a particular place in the activity, due to its specific administrative process for the issuance of an integrated permit based on the adoption of General Binding Rules. The expert will be in charge of the assessment of the application for integrated permit for selected installations, including attached documents. The assignment also include the preparation of the draft permit in accordance with Serbian by-laws, with a specific focus on the conditions for different environmental issues and the associated emissions limit values.

During the assignment, the expert will work in strict cooperation with the project team and other international and local experts.

4. Scope of work and required tasks

The Expert will be required to carry out one or more of the following tasks:

Activity 1.4:

- Contact with a selected group of IED operators and collection of data related to the status of the application for the integrated permit and related documentation;

Activity 2.3:

- Contact with selected operator and collection of data necessary for the revision of submitted application and preparation of integrated permit.

5. Expected outputs

The Expert will be required to produce one or more of the following outputs:

Activity 1.4:

 Report on the collection of data related to the status of the application for the integrated permit and related documentation;

Activity 2.3:

- Report on the collection of data necessary for the revision of submitted application and preparation of integrated permit.

6. Period of the Assignment

Depending on the task and project activities, the expert will be contracted for a specific period of time within the project duration, i.e., from March 2024 to December 2026.

7. Number man/days allocated

The assigned number of man/days will vary depending on the tasks assigned with a tentative duration of:

Activity 1.4: 30 working days;

Activity 2.3: 30 working days.

8. Location of the assignment

Home based, Belgrade and other towns, Serbia

9. Qualification and skills

The expert will have to describe, through a CV compiled in the prescribed format, the fulfillment of the following required qualifications and skills:

Education	University degree in Technical Sciences, Environmental Management, Agriculture or equivalent subject. A PhD in a subject relevant to the assignment is an advantage Fluency in Serbian and English
Professional Experience	 At least 5 years of professional experience in the field of environmental protection; At least 1 professional experience in the preparation of documentation for integrated permits; At least 1 professional experience as technical support in the field of IED implementation for EU-funded or other projects.
Other requirements	Driving Licence valid for Serbia