Request for expressions of interest

(Non-consulting services – selection of companies)

**Country:** Republic of Moldova

**Project:** Inclusive Rural Economic and Climate Resilience Programme

**Assignment Title:** Organizing international agricultural study tours for young entrepreneurs-beneficiaries of IFAD Programs

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**Deadline for expression of interest**: 21-02-2018 (16:00)

The Inclusive Rural Economic and Climate Resilience Programme, funded by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and with the financial support of the Government of the Kingdom of Denmark, provides assistance to strengthen and develop the capacities of the young entrepreneurs - beneficiaries of the IFAD Programs.

Under this assignment, CPIU-IFAD will select a company as a service provider for organization of 1 (one) or 2(two) international study tours for 2 (two) distinct groups of young entrepreneurs in the following agricultures arears and countries:

1. fruits and vegetable production –Italy
2. livestock production and sheep breeders –France

**Arrangements**

Local or international interested companies may apply for organization **of one or both study tours**, with a duration of 7 calendar days each (including flights to and from country of destination). The estimated period for visits: April-May 2018.

Groups (one visit -one group) would include young entrepreneurs, representative of CPIU-IFAD, Ministry of Agriculture, Regional Development and Environment and agricultural expert, in total 12 people each group. **Responsibilities of Service provider**

Under this assignment, the Company will provide logistics during the study tour (setting up meetings, purchasing of air tickets; health insurance (7 days); booking hotels; airport transfer and local transportation services; interpretation (French/ Italian to Romanian); hosting fees; other as necessary.

On the above mentioned, the IFAD Consolidated Implementation Unit **invites** eligible companies (Service Providers) to express their interest in organizing one or both study tours.

Interested companies will provide information demonstrating that they have the necessary qualifications and relevant experience to perform the requested services. Service provider will be selected in accordance with the National Competitive Bidding method of selection.

**Minimum qualification requirements**

1. Legal entity registered according to the Low in force;

2. Overall experience of at least 3 years in the field of organizing/hosting study visits;

3. At least one contract similar to the requested activity (according to the training topics), completed in one of the last 3 years of the bidders and their inclusion in the short list will be made on the basis of the following evaluation criteria:

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| **Evaluation Criteria** | **Max**  **points** |
| 1. Profile and general experience of the company | 20 |
| 1. Overall experience (in the last 3 years) in organizing international study visits | 30 |
| 1. Experience (in the last 3 years) in organizing similar study visits under IFAD Programs and other similar agencies (ex. USAID, UNDP, UN etc.) | 20 |
| 1. Staff with experience related directly to the assignment | 30 |
| **Total** | **100** |

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Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours (08:00-17:00) or accessing the link from the description of the advertisement placed on <http://ucipifad.md/achizitii/>under the heading "Procurement".

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by e-mail) by 21th February 2018, 16:00

**THE CONSOLIDATED IFAD PROGRAMMES IMPLEMENTATION UNIT**

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