

# Form of Contract

*[letterhead paper of the Employer]*

## LUMP-SUM REMUNERATION

This CONTRACT (hereinafter called the “Contract”) is made the *[day]* day of the month of *[month]*, 2017, between, on the one hand, **LEPL National Agency of Public Registry of Georgia (NAPR)** (hereinafter called the “Employer”) and, on the other hand, *[name of Service Provider]* (hereinafter called the “Service Provider”).

*[Note: In the text below text in brackets is optional; all notes should be deleted in final text. If the Service Provider consist of more than one entity, the above should be partially amended to read as follows: “...(hereinafter called the “Employer”) and, on the other hand, a joint venture consisting of the following entities, each of which will be jointly and severally liable to the Employer for all the Service Provider’s obligations under this Contract, namely, [name of Service Provider] and [name of Service Provider] (hereinafter called the “Service Provider”).]*

### WHEREAS

- (a) the Employer has requested the Service Provider to provide certain Services as defined in the General Conditions of Contract attached to this Contract (hereinafter called the “Services”);
- (b) the Service Provider, having represented to the Employer that they have the required professional skills, and personnel and technical resources, have agreed to provide the Services on the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract at a contract price of.....;
- (c) the Employer has received a credit from the International Development Association (hereinafter called the “Association”) towards the cost of the Services and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this credit to eligible payments under this Contract, it being understood (i) that payments by the Bank will be made only at the request of the Employer and upon approval by the Bank, (ii) that such payments will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the agreement providing for the credit, and (iii) that no party other than the Employer shall derive any rights from the agreement providing for the credit or have any claim to the loan credit proceeds;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

1. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this Agreement, and the priority of the documents shall be as follows:

- (a) the Letter of Acceptance;
- (b) the Service Provider’s Forms of Quotation;
- (c) the Special Conditions of Contract;
- (d) the General Conditions of Contract;
- (e) the Priced Activity Schedule; and

(g) The following Appendices:

Appendix A: Description of the Services

Appendix B: Schedule of Payments

Appendix C: Key Personnel and Subcontractors

2. The mutual rights and obligations of the Employer and the Service Provider shall be as set forth in the Contract, in particular:

(a) the Service Provider shall carry out the Services in accordance with the provisions of the Contract; and

(b) the Employer shall make payments to the Service Provider in accordance with the provisions of the Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed in their respective names as of the day and year first above written.

For and on behalf of *[name of Employer]*

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*[Authorized Representative]*

For and on behalf of *[name of Service Provider]*

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*[Authorized Representative]*

*[Note: If the Service Provider consists of more than one entity, all these entities should appear as signatories, e.g., in the following manner:]*

For and on behalf of each of the Members of the Service Provider

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*[name of member]*

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*[Authorized Representative]*

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*[name of member]*

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*[Authorized Representative]*

# General Conditions of Contract

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# General Conditions of Contract

## A. General Provisions

### 1.1 Definitions

Unless the context otherwise requires, the following terms whenever used in this Contract have the following meanings:

- (a) The Adjudicator is the person appointed jointly by the Employer and the Service Provider to resolve disputes in the first instance, as provided for in Sub-Clause 8.2 hereunder.
- (b) “Activity Schedule” is the priced and completed list of items of Services to be performed by the Service Provider forming part of his Bid;
- (c) “Bank” means the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.;
- (c) “Association” means the International Development Association, Washington, D.C., U.S.A.;
- (d) “Completion Date” means the date of completion of the Services by the Service Provider as certified by the Employer
- (e) “Contract” means the Contract signed by the Parties, to which these General Conditions of Contract (GCC) are attached, together with all the documents listed in Clause 1 of such signed Contract;
- (f) “Contract Price” means the price to be paid for the performance of the Services, in accordance with Clause 6;
- (g) “Dayworks” means varied work inputs subject to payment on a time basis for the Service Provider’s employees and equipment, in addition to payments for associated materials and administration.
- (h) “Employer” means the party who employs the Service Provider
- (i) Not Applicable;
- (j) “GCC” means these General Conditions of Contract;
- (k) “Government” means the Government of the Employer’s Country;
- (l) Not Applicable;
- (m) “Member,” in case the Service Provider consist of a joint venture of more than one entity, means any of these entities; “Members”

means all these entities, and “Member in Charge” means the entity specified in the SC to act on their behalf in exercising all the Service Provider’ rights and obligations towards the Employer under this Contract;

- (n) “Party” means the Employer or the Service Provider, as the case may be, and “Parties” means both of them;
- (o) “Personnel” means persons hired by the Service Provider or by any Subcontractor as employees and assigned to the performance of the Services or any part thereof;
- (p) “Service Provider” is a person or corporate body whose Bid to provide the Services has been accepted by the Employer;
- (q) “Service Provider’s Bid” means the completed Bidding Document submitted by the Service Provider to the Employer
- (r) “SCC” means the Special Conditions of Contract by which the GCC may be amended or supplemented;
- (s) “Specifications” means the specifications of the service included in the Bidding Document submitted by the Service Provider to the Employer
- (t) “Services” means the work to be performed by the Service Provider pursuant to this Contract, as described in Appendix A; and in the Specifications and Schedule of Activities included in the Service Provider’s Bid.
- (u) “Subcontractor” means any entity to which the Service Provider subcontracts any part of the Services in accordance with the provisions of Sub-Clauses 3.5 and 4.

**1.2 Applicable Law** The Contract shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Employer’s Country.

**1.3 Language** This Contract has been executed in the language **specified in the SCC**, which shall be the binding and controlling language for all matters relating to the meaning or interpretation of this Contract.

**1.4 Notices** Any notice, request, or consent made pursuant to this Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been made when delivered in person to an authorized representative of the Party to whom the communication is addressed, or when sent by registered mail, telex, telegram, or facsimile to such Party at the address **specified in the SCC**.

**1.5 Location** The Services shall be performed at such locations as are specified in Appendix A, in the specifications and, where the location of a

particular task is not so specified, at such locations, whether in the Government's country or elsewhere, as the Employer may approve.

**1.6 Authorized Representatives**

Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any document required or permitted to be executed, under this Contract by the Employer or the Service Provider may be taken or executed by the officials **specified in the SCC**.

**1.7 Inspection and Audit by the Bank**

Pursuant to paragraph 2.2 e. of Appendix A to the General Conditions, the Supplier shall permit and shall cause its subcontractors and subconsultants to permit, the Bank and/or persons appointed by the Bank to inspect the Site and/or the accounts and records relating to the performance of the Contract and the submission of the Bid, and to have such accounts and records audited by auditors appointed by the Bank if requested by the Bank. The Supplier's and its Subcontractors' and subconsultants' attention is drawn to Sub-Clause 3.10 which provides, inter alia, that acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank's inspection and audit rights constitute a prohibited practice subject to contract termination (as well as to a determination of ineligibility pursuant to the Bank's prevailing sanctions procedures).

**1.8 Taxes and Duties**

The Service Provider, Subcontractors, and their Personnel shall pay such taxes, duties, fees, and other impositions as may be levied under the Applicable Law, the amount of which is deemed to have been included in the Contract Price.

**2. Commencement, Completion, Modification, and Termination of Contract**

**2.1 Effectiveness of Contract**

This Contract shall come into effect on the date the Contract is signed by both parties or such other later date as may be **stated in the SCC**.

**2.2 Commencement of Services**

**2.2.1 Program**

Before commencement of the Services, the Service Provider shall submit to the Employer for approval a Program showing the general methods, arrangements, order and timing for all activities. The Services shall be carried out in accordance with the approved Program as updated.

**2.2.2 Starting Date**

The Service Provider shall start carrying out the Services thirty (30) days after the date the Contract becomes effective, or at such other date as may be **specified in the SCC**.

**2.3 Intended Completion Date**

Unless terminated earlier pursuant to Sub-Clause 2.6, the Service Provider shall complete the activities by the Intended Completion Date, as is **specified in the SCC**. If the Service Provider does not complete the activities by the Intended Completion Date, it shall be

liable to pay liquidated damage as per Sub-Clause 3.8. In this case, the Completion Date will be the date of completion of all activities.

## **2.4 Modification**

Modification of the terms and conditions of this Contract, including any modification of the scope of the Services or of the Contract Price, may only be made by written agreement between the Parties and shall not be effective until the consent of the Bank or of the Association, as the case may be, has been obtained.

### **2.4.1 Value Engineering**

Not Applicable

## **2.5 Force Majeure**

### **2.5.1 Definition**

For the purposes of this Contract, “Force Majeure” means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of a Party and which makes a Party’s performance of its obligations under the Contract impossible or so impractical as to be considered impossible under the circumstances.

### **2.5.2 No Breach of Contract**

The failure of a Party to fulfill any of its obligations under the contract shall not be considered to be a breach of, or default under, this Contract insofar as such inability arises from an event of Force Majeure, provided that the Party affected by such an event (a) has taken all reasonable precautions, due care and reasonable alternative measures in order to carry out the terms and conditions of this Contract, and (b) has informed the other Party as soon as possible about the occurrence of such an event.

### **2.5.3 Extension of Time**

Any period within which a Party shall, pursuant to this Contract, complete any action or task, shall be extended for a period equal to the time during which such Party was unable to perform such action as a result of Force Majeure.

### **2.5.4 Payments**

During the period of their inability to perform the Services as a result of an event of Force Majeure, the Service Provider shall be entitled to continue to be paid under the terms of this Contract, as well as to be reimbursed for additional costs reasonably and necessarily incurred by them during such period for the purposes of the Services and in reactivating the Service after the end of such period.

## **2.6 Termination**



**2.6.1 By the Employer**

The Employer may terminate this Contract, by not less than ten (10) days' written notice of termination to the Service Provider, to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this Sub-Clause 2.6.1:

- (a) if the Service Provider does not remedy a failure in the performance of its obligations under the Contract, within seven (7) days after being notified or within any further period as the Employer may have subsequently approved in writing;
- (b) if the Service Provider become insolvent or bankrupt;
- (c) if, as the result of Force Majeure, the Service Provider is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than thirty (30) days; or
- (d) if the Service Provider, in the judgment of the Employer has engaged in Fraud and Corruption, as defined in paragraph 2.2 a. of the Appendix A to the GCC, in competing for or in executing the Contract

**2.6.2 By the Service Provider**

The Service Provider may terminate this Contract, by not less than thirty (30) days' written notice to the Employer, such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Sub-Clause 2.6.2:

- (a) if the Employer fails to pay any monies due to the Service Provider pursuant to this Contract and not subject to dispute pursuant to Clause 7 within forty-five (45) days after receiving written notice from the Service Provider that such payment is overdue; or
- (b) if, as the result of Force Majeure, the Service Provider is unable to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty (60) days.

**2.6.3 Suspension of Loan or Credit**

In the event that the World Bank suspends the loan or Credit to the Employer, from which part of the payments to the Service Provider are being made:

- (a) The Employer is obligated to notify the Service Provider of such suspension within 7 days of having received the World Bank's suspension notice.
- (b) If the Service Provider has not received sums due to by the due date stated in the SCC in accordance with Sub-Clause 6.5 the Service Provider may immediately issue a 14 day termination notice.

- 2.6.4 Payment upon Termination** Upon termination of this Contract pursuant to Sub-Clauses 2.6.1 or 2.6.2, the Employer shall make the following payments to the Service Provider:
- (a) remuneration pursuant to Clause 6 for Services satisfactorily performed prior to the effective date of termination;
  - (b) except in the case of termination pursuant to paragraphs (a), (b), (d) of Sub-Clause 2.6.1, reimbursement of any reasonable cost incident to the prompt and orderly termination of the Contract, including the cost of the return travel of the Personnel.

### **3. Obligations of the Service Provider**

#### **3.1 General**

The Service Provider shall perform the Services in accordance with the Specifications and the Activity Schedule, and carry out its obligations with all due diligence, efficiency, and economy, in accordance with generally accepted professional techniques and practices, and shall observe sound management practices, and employ appropriate advanced technology and safe methods. The Service Provider shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Contract or to the Services, as faithful adviser to the Employer, and shall at all times support and safeguard the Employer's legitimate interests in any dealings with Subcontractors or third parties.

#### **3.2 Conflict of Interests**

##### **3.2.1 Service Provider Not to Benefit from Commissions and Discounts.**

The remuneration of the Service Provider pursuant to Clause 6 shall constitute the Service Provider's sole remuneration in connection with this Contract or the Services, and the Service Provider shall not accept for their own benefit any trade commission, discount, or similar payment in connection with activities pursuant to this Contract or to the Services or in the discharge of their obligations under the Contract, and the Service Provider shall use their best efforts to ensure that the Personnel, any Subcontractors, and agents of either of them similarly shall not receive any such additional remuneration.

##### **3.2.2 Service Provider and Affiliates Not to be Otherwise Interested in Project**

The Service Provider agree that, during the term of this Contract and after its termination, the Service Provider and its affiliates, as well as any Subcontractor and any of its affiliates, shall be disqualified from providing goods, works, or Services (other than the Services and any continuation thereof) for any project resulting from or closely related to the Services.

**3.2.3 Prohibition of  
Conflicting  
Activities**

Neither the Service Provider nor its Subcontractors nor the Personnel shall engage, either directly or indirectly, in any of the following activities:

- (a) during the term of this Contract, any business or professional activities in the Government's country which would conflict with the activities assigned to them under this Contract;
- (b) during the term of this Contract, neither the Service Provider nor their Subcontractors shall hire public employees in active duty or on any type of leave, to perform any activity under this Contract;
- (c) after the termination of this Contract, such other activities as may be **specified in the SCC**.

**3.3 Confidentiality**

The Service Provider, its Subcontractors, and the Personnel of either of them shall not, either during the term or within two (2) years after the expiration of this Contract, disclose any proprietary or confidential information relating to the Project, the Services, this Contract, or the Employer's business or operations without the prior written consent of the Employer.

**3.4 Insurance to be  
Taken Out by the  
Service Provider**

The Service Provider (a) shall take out and maintain, and shall cause any Subcontractors to take out and maintain, at its (or the Subcontractors', as the case may be) own cost but on terms and conditions approved by the Employer, insurance against the risks, and for the coverage, as shall be **specified in the SCC**; and (b) at the Employer's request, shall provide evidence to the Employer showing that such insurance has been taken out and maintained and that the current premiums have been paid.

**3.5 Service Provider's  
Actions Requiring  
Employer's Prior  
Approval**

The Service Provider shall obtain the Employer's prior approval in writing before taking any of the following actions:

- (a) entering into a subcontract for the performance of any part of the Services,
- (b) appointing such members of the Personnel not listed by name in Appendix C ("Key Personnel and Subcontractors"),
- (c) changing the Program of activities; and
- (d) any other action that may be **specified in the SCC**.

**3.6 Reporting  
Obligations**

The Service Provider shall submit to the Employer the reports and documents specified in Appendix B in the form, in the numbers, and within the periods set forth in the said Appendix.

**3.7 Documents Prepared by the Service Provider to Be the Property of the Employer**

All plans, drawings, specifications, designs, reports, and other documents and software submitted by the Service Provider in accordance with Sub-Clause 3.6 shall become and remain the property of the Employer, and the Service Provider shall, not later than upon termination or expiration of this Contract, deliver all such documents and software to the Employer, together with a detailed inventory thereof. The Service Provider may retain a copy of such documents and software. Restrictions about the future use of these documents, if any, shall be **specified in the SCC**.

**3.8 Liquidated Damages**

**3.8.1 Payments of Liquidated Damages**

The Service Provider shall pay liquidated damages to the Employer at the rate per day **stated in the SCC** for each day that the Completion Date is later than the Intended Completion Date. The total amount of liquidated damages shall not exceed the amount **defined in the SCC**. The Employer may deduct liquidated damages from payments due to the Service Provider. Payment of liquidated damages shall not affect the Service Provider's liabilities.

**3.8.2 Correction for Over-payment**

If the Intended Completion Date is extended after liquidated damages have been paid, the Employer shall correct any overpayment of liquidated damages by the Service Provider by adjusting the next payment certificate. The Service Provider shall be paid interest on the overpayment, calculated from the date of payment to the date of repayment, at the rates specified in Sub-Clause 6.5.

**3.8.3 Lack of performance penalty**

If the Service Provider has not corrected a Defect within the time specified in the Employer's notice, a penalty for Lack of performance will be paid by the Service Provider. The amount to be paid will be calculated as a percentage of the cost of having the Defect corrected, assessed as described in Sub-Clause 7.2 and **specified in the SCC**.

**3.9 Performance Security**

The Service Provider shall provide the Performance Security to the Employer no later than the date specified in the Letter of acceptance. The Performance Security shall be issued in an amount and form and by a bank or surety acceptable to the Employer, and denominated in the types and proportions of the currencies in which the Contract Price is payable. The performance Security shall be valid until a date 28 days from the Completion Date of the Contract in case of a bank guarantee, and until one year from the Completion Date of the Contract in the case of a Performance Bond.

**3.10 Fraud and Corruption**

The Bank requires compliance with the Bank’s Anti-Corruption Guidelines and its prevailing sanctions policies and procedures as set forth in the WBG’s Sanctions Framework, as set forth in the Appendix to the GCC.

The Employer requires the Supplier to disclose any commissions or fees that may have been paid or are to be paid to agents or any other party with respect to the bidding process or execution of the Contract. The information disclosed must include at least the name and address of the agent or other party, the amount and currency, and the purpose of the commission, gratuity or fee.

**3.11 Sustainable Procurement**

Not Applicable.

**4. Service Provider’s Personnel**

**4.1 Description of Personnel**

The titles, agreed job descriptions, minimum qualifications, and estimated periods of engagement in the carrying out of the Services of the Service Provider’s Key Personnel are described in Appendix C. The Key Personnel and Subcontractors listed by title as well as by name in Appendix C are hereby approved by the Employer.

**4.2 Removal and/or Replacement of Personnel**

- (a) Except as the Employer may otherwise agree, no changes shall be made in the Key Personnel. If, for any reason beyond the reasonable control of the Service Provider, it becomes necessary to replace any of the Key Personnel, the Service Provider shall provide as a replacement a person of equivalent or better qualifications.
- (b) If the Employer finds that any of the Personnel have (i) committed serious misconduct or have been charged with having committed a criminal action, or (ii) have reasonable cause to be dissatisfied with the performance of any of the Personnel, then the Service Provider shall, at the Employer’s written request specifying the grounds thereof, provide as a replacement a person with qualifications and experience acceptable to the Employer.
- (c) The Service Provider shall have no claim for additional costs arising out of or incidental to any removal and/or replacement of Personnel.

## 5. Obligations of the Employer

- 5.1 Assistance and Exemptions** The Employer shall use its best efforts to ensure that the Government shall provide the Service Provider such assistance and exemptions as **specified in the SCC.**
- 5.2 Change in the Applicable Law** If, after the date of this Contract, there is any change in the Applicable Law with respect to taxes and duties which increases or decreases the cost of the Services rendered by the Service Provider, then the remuneration and reimbursable expenses otherwise payable to the Service Provider under this Contract shall be increased or decreased accordingly by agreement between the Parties, and corresponding adjustments shall be made to the amounts referred to in Sub-Clauses 6.2 (a) or (b), as the case may be.
- 5.3 Services and Facilities** The Employer shall make available to the Service Provider the Services and Facilities listed under Appendix A (Description of Services).

## 6. Payments to the Service Provider

- 6.1 Lump-Sum Remuneration** The Service Provider's remuneration shall not exceed the Contract Price and shall be a fixed lump-sum including all Subcontractors' costs, and all other costs incurred by the Service Provider in carrying out the Services described in Appendix A. Except as provided in Sub-Clause 5.2, the Contract Price may only be increased above the amounts stated in Sub-Clause 6.2 if the Parties have agreed to additional payments in accordance with Sub-Clauses 2.4 and 6.3.
- 6.2 Contract Price** (a) The price payable in Georgian Lari (GEL) for entire Contract is **set forth in the SCC.**
- 6.3 Payment for Additional Services, and Performance Incentive Compensation**
- 6.3.1 For the purpose of determining the remuneration due for additional Services as may be agreed under Sub-Clause 2.4, a breakdown of the lump-sum price is provided in Appendix D.
- 6.3.2 **If the SCC so specify,** the service provider shall be paid performance incentive compensation as set out in the Performance Incentive Compensation appendix.
- 6.4 Terms and Conditions of Payment** Payments will be made to the Service Provider according to the payment schedule **stated in the SCC. Unless otherwise stated in the SCC,** the advance payment (Advance for Mobilization, Materials and Supplies) shall be made against the provision by the Service Provider of a bank guarantee for the same amount, and shall be valid for the period **stated in the SCC.** Any other payment shall be made after the conditions **listed in the SCC** for such payment have been met, and the

Service Provider have submitted an invoice to the Employer specifying the amount due.

### **6.5 Interest on Delayed Payments**

If the Employer has delayed payments beyond fifteen (15) days after the due date stated in the SCC, interest shall be paid to the Service Provider for each day of delay at the rate stated in the SCC.

### **6.6 Price Adjustment**

6.6.1 Prices shall be adjusted for fluctuations in the cost of inputs only if **provided for in the SCC**. If so provided, the amounts certified in each payment certificate, after deducting for Advance Payment, shall be adjusted by applying the respective price adjustment factor to the payment amounts due in each currency. A separate formula of the type indicated below applies to each Contract currency:

$$P_c = A_c + B_c \frac{L_{mc}}{L_{oc}} + C_c \frac{I_{mc}}{I_{oc}}$$

Where:

$P_c$  is the adjustment factor for the portion of the Contract Price payable in a specific currency “c”.

$A_c$ ,  $B_c$  and  $C_c$  are coefficients specified in the SCC, representing:  $A_c$  the nonadjustable portion;  $B_c$  the adjustable portion relative to labor costs and  $C_c$  the adjustable portion for other inputs, of the Contract Price payable in that specific currency “c”; and

$L_{mc}$  is the index prevailing at the first day of the month of the corresponding invoice date and  $L_{oc}$  is the index prevailing 28 days before Bid opening for labor; both in the specific currency “c”.

$I_{mc}$  is the index prevailing at the first day of the month of the corresponding invoice date and  $I_{oc}$  is the index prevailing 28 days before Bid opening for other inputs payable; both in the specific currency “c”.

If a price adjustment factor is applied to payments made in a currency other than the currency of the source of the index for a particular indexed input, a correction factor  $Z_o/Z_n$  will be applied to the respective component factor of  $p_n$  for the formula of the relevant currency.  $Z_o$  is the number of units of currency of the country of the index, equivalent to one unit of the currency payment on the date of the base index, and  $Z_n$  is the corresponding number of such currency units on the date of the current index.

6.6.2 If the value of the index is changed after it has been used in a calculation, the calculation shall be corrected and an adjustment

made in the next payment certificate. The index value shall be deemed to take account of all changes in cost due to fluctuations in costs.

## **6.7 Dayworks**

- 6.7.1 If applicable, the Daywork rates in the Service Provider's Bid shall be used for small additional amounts of Services only when the Employer has given written instructions in advance for additional services to be paid in that way.
- 6.7.2 All work to be paid for as Dayworks shall be recorded by the Service Provider on forms approved by the Employer. Each completed form shall be verified and signed by the Employer representative as indicated in Sub-Clause 1.6 within two days of the Services being performed.
- 6.7.3 The Service Provider shall be paid for Dayworks subject to obtaining signed Dayworks forms as indicated in Sub-Clause 6.7.2

## **7. Quality Control**

### **7.1 Identifying Defects**

The principle and modalities of Inspection of the Services by the Employer shall be as **indicated in the SCC**. The Employer shall check the Service Provider's performance and notify him of any Defects that are found. Such checking shall not affect the Service Provider's responsibilities. The Employer may instruct the Service Provider to search for a Defect and to uncover and test any service that the Employer considers may have a Defect. Defect Liability Period is as **defined in the SCC**.

### **7.2 Correction of Defects, and Lack of Performance Penalty**

- (a) The Employer shall give notice to the Service Provider of any Defects before the end of the Contract. The Defects liability period shall be extended for as long as Defects remain to be corrected.
- (b) Every time notice a Defect is given, the Service Provider shall correct the notified Defect within the length of time specified by the Employer's notice.
- (c) If the Service Provider has not corrected a Defect within the time specified in the Employer's notice, the Employer will assess the cost of having the Defect corrected, the Service Provider will pay this amount, and a Penalty for Lack of Performance calculated as described in Sub-Clause 3.8.



## 8. Settlement of Disputes

### 8.1 Amicable Settlement

The Parties shall use their best efforts to settle amicably all disputes arising out of or in connection with this Contract or its interpretation.

### 8.2 Dispute Settlement

8.2.1 If any dispute arises between the Employer and the Service Provider in connection with, or arising out of, the Contract or the provision of the Services, whether during carrying out the Services or after their completion, the matter shall be referred to the Adjudicator within 14 days of the notification of disagreement of one party to the other.

8.2.2 The Adjudicator shall give a decision in writing within 28 days of receipt of a notification of a dispute.

8.2.3 The Adjudicator shall be paid by the hour at the rate **specified in the BDS and SCC**, together with reimbursable expenses of the types **specified in the SCC**, and the cost shall be divided equally between the Employer and the Service Provider, whatever decision is reached by the Adjudicator. Either party may refer a decision of the Adjudicator to an Arbitrator within 28 days of the Adjudicator's written decision. If neither party refers the dispute to arbitration within the above 28 days, the Adjudicator's decision will be final and binding.

**8.2.4** The arbitration shall be conducted in accordance with the arbitration procedure published by the institution named and in the place **shown in the SCC**.

8.2.5 Should the Adjudicator resign or die, or should the Employer and the Service Provider agree that the Adjudicator is not functioning in accordance with the provisions of the Contract, a new Adjudicator will be jointly appointed by the Employer and the Service Provider. In case of disagreement between the Employer and the Service Provider, within 30 days, the Adjudicator shall be designated by the Appointing Authority **designated in the SCC** at the request of either party, within 14 days of receipt of such request.

# APPENDIX A

## Fraud and Corruption

### 1. Purpose

1.1 The Bank's Anti-Corruption Guidelines (refers to the Guidelines indicated in the Project Financing Agreement) and this annex apply with respect to procurement under Bank Investment Project Financing operations.

### 2. Requirements

2.1 The Bank requires that Borrowers (including beneficiaries of Bank financing); bidders, consultants, contractors and suppliers; any sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers or suppliers; any agents (whether declared or not); and any of their personnel, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process, selection and contract execution of Bank-financed contracts, and refrain from Fraud and Corruption.

2.2 To this end, the Bank:

- a. Defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
  - i. "corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party;
  - ii. "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
  - iii. "collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
  - iv. "coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
  - v. "obstructive practice" is:
    - (a) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering, or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede a Bank investigation into allegations of a corrupt, fraudulent, coercive, or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing, or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation; or
    - (b) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Bank's inspection and audit rights provided for under paragraph 2.2 e. below.

- b. Rejects a proposal for award if the Bank determines that the firm or individual recommended for award, any of its personnel, or its agents, or its sub-consultants, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/ or their employees, has, directly or indirectly, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question;
- c. In addition to the legal remedies set out in the relevant Legal Agreement, may take other appropriate actions, including declaring misprocurement, if the Bank determines at any time that representatives of the Borrower or of a recipient of any part of the proceeds of the loan engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, or obstructive practices during the procurement process, selection and/or execution of the contract in question, without the Borrower having taken timely and appropriate action satisfactory to the Bank to address such practices when they occur, including by failing to inform the Bank in a timely manner at the time they knew of the practices;
- d. Pursuant to the Bank's Anti- Corruption Guidelines and in accordance with the Bank's prevailing sanctions policies and procedures, may sanction a firm or individual, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, including by publicly declaring such firm or individual ineligible (i) to be awarded or otherwise benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or in any other manner;<sup>1</sup> (ii) to be a nominated<sup>2</sup> sub-contractor, consultant, manufacturer or supplier, or service provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded a Bank-financed contract; and (i) to receive the proceeds of any loan made by the Bank or otherwise to participate further in the preparation or implementation of any Bank-financed project;
- e. Requires that a clause be included in bidding/request for proposals documents and in contracts financed by a Bank loan, requiring (i) bidders, consultants, contractors, and suppliers, and their sub-contractors, sub-consultants, service providers, suppliers, agents personnel, permit the Bank to inspect<sup>3</sup> all accounts, records and other documents relating to the submission of bids and contract performance, and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Bank.

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<sup>1</sup> For the avoidance of doubt, a sanctioned party's ineligibility to be awarded a contract shall include, without limitation, (i) applying for pre-qualification, expressing interest in a consultancy, and bidding, either directly or as a nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider, in respect of such contract, and (ii) entering into an addendum or amendment introducing a material modification to any existing contract.

<sup>2</sup> A nominated sub-contractor, nominated consultant, nominated manufacturer or supplier, or nominated service provider (different names are used depending on the particular bidding document) is one which has been: (i) included by the bidder in its pre-qualification application or bid because it brings specific and critical experience and know-how that allow the bidder to meet the qualification requirements for the particular bid; or (ii) appointed by the Borrower.

<sup>3</sup> Inspections in this context usually are investigative (i.e., forensic) in nature. They involve fact-finding activities undertaken by the Bank or persons appointed by the Bank to address specific matters related to investigations/audits, such as evaluating the veracity of an allegation of possible Fraud and Corruption, through the appropriate mechanisms. Such activity includes but is not limited to: accessing and examining a firm's or individual's financial records and information, and making copies thereof as relevant; accessing and examining any other documents, data and information (whether in hard copy or electronic format) deemed relevant for the investigation/audit, and making copies thereof as relevant; interviewing staff and other relevant individuals; performing physical inspections and site visits; and obtaining third party verification of information.

## Special Conditions of Contract

Number of GC Clause	Amendments of, and Supplements to, Clauses in the General Conditions of Contract
1.1	The words “in the Government’s country” are amended to read “in <i>Georgia</i> .”
1.1(a)	The Adjudicator is: <i>Mr. Paata Salia Office located at #4 Shio Mghvimeli Str, Tbilisi 0161, Georgia</i>
1.1(e)	The contract name is: <i>Shuakhevi Land Registration Services - field work (ref. No. LMDC/NCS/NCB/03)</i>
1.1(h)	The Employer is: <i>LEPL National Agency of Public Registry of Georgia (NAPR)</i>
1.1(p)	The Service Provider is: _____
1.2	The Applicable Law is: <i>Georgia</i>
1.3	The language is: <i>English</i>
1.4	<p>The addresses are:</p> <p>Employer: <i>LEPL National Agency of Public Registry of Georgia (NAPR)</i></p> <p>Attention: <i>Mr. Vakhtang Shavgulidze – Head of Procurement Unit of NAPR</i></p> <p>Tel: <u><i>(+995 32) 2 25 15 28</i></u></p> <p>Facsimile: <u><i>N/A</i></u></p> <p>Service Provider: _____</p> <p>Attention: _____</p> <p>Tel: _____</p> <p>Facsimile: _____</p>
1.6	<p>The Authorized Representatives are:</p> <p>For the Employer: <i>Mr. Vakhtang Shavgulidze – Head of Procurement Unit of NAPR</i></p> <p>For the Service Provider: _____</p>

Number of GC Clause	Amendments of, and Supplements to, Clauses in the General Conditions of Contract
2.1	The date on which this Contract shall come into effect is: <i>date of contract signing by both parties</i>
2.2.2	The Starting Date for the commencement of Services is: <i>5 day after contract effectiveness.</i>
2.3	The Intended Completion Date is: <i>for fieldwork 90 days from commencement date and the contract is valid for 160 days from commencement date.</i>
2.4.1	Not Applicable
3.2.3	Activities prohibited after termination of this Contract are: <i>None</i>
3.4	Not Applicable
3.5(d)	The other actions are: <i>None</i>
3.7	Restrictions on the use of documents prepared by the Service Provider are: <i>N/A</i>
3.8.1	The liquidated damages rate is <i>0.05%</i> of the final Contract Price per day The maximum amount of liquidated damages for the whole contract is <i>5%</i> percent of the final Contract Price.
3.8.3	The percentage to be used for the calculation of Lack of performance Penalty(ies) is <i>5%</i> .
3.9	The Performance security amount is: (a) Bank Guarantee: <i>10% of the total Contract Price.</i> <i>A Bank Guarantee shall be unconditional (on demand)</i>
5.1	The assistance and exemptions provided to the Service Provider are: <i>None</i>
6.2(a)	The amount in Georgian Lari (GEL) is: _____
6.3.2	The performance incentive paid to the Service Provider shall be: <u><i>N/A</i></u>

<p><b>6.4</b></p>	<p>➤ Advance for Mobilization, Materials and Supplies: 10% percent of the Contract Price shall be paid after submission of a bank guarantee for the same. The Service Provider shall submit an Unconditional Bank Guarantee in a form and by a bank acceptable to the Client in amount and currency equal to the advance payment. The advance payments will be set off by the Employer in one installment against the last statement of completion of the assignment and submission of final documents as indicated below. The Guarantee shall remain effective until the advance payment has been fully set off.</p> <p>➤ 10% of total lump-sum amount shall be paid upon completion survey and delivery of completed blocks composed of at least 400 land plots indicated in Timeline for data delivery and submission as per terms of reference and only after verification by the Employer;</p> <p>➤ 30% of total lump-sum amount shall be paid upon completion survey and delivery of completed blocks composed of at least 1600 land plots indicated in Timeline for data delivery and submission as per terms of reference and only after verification by the Employer;</p> <p>➤ 60% of total lump-sum amount shall be paid for all remaining plots surveyed and delivered, plots indicated in Timeline for data delivery and submission, along with all previous corrected/amended land plots (if any), acceptable to the Employer, which the Employer can classify into one of the following category:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registered - Decision on registration. The registration duration is 30 days after submission of final documents for each area acceptable to the Employer.</li> <li>• Information on the person’s right to apply for a land title.</li> <li>• Existence of all necessary data for submission of an application to Commission for Recognition of Titles to Illegally Occupied (Squatted) Land established at the governing body of the relevant municipality to review this issue within their competence.</li> <li>• Registration of conditional applications in the electronic program by NAPR as specified in the Instruction for Public Registry.</li> <li>• And/or if there is any objective circumstances hampering the rights of registration, which is not caused by the Service Provider fault and could not be considered by the Service Provider.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Total payments shall not exceed 100% of total contract amount.</u></b></p>
<p><b>6.5</b></p>	<p>Payment shall be made within 60 days of receipt of the invoice and the relevant documents specified in Sub-Clause 6.4.</p> <p>The interest rate is: <i>0.01% of unpaid amount per each day of delay.</i></p>
<p><b>6.6.1</b></p>	<p>Not Applicable</p>

7.1	<p>The principle and modalities of inspection of the Services by the Employer are as follows:</p> <p><u>For each stage, the Employer will inspect at least 10% of the documents submitted by the Service Provider and in case the rejected documents by the Employer will be more than 3% of the total number of plots for each deliverable, the Service Provider will be requested to re-submit of whole packages within 7 calendar days on Service Provider’s own expenses.</u></p> <p>The Defects Liability Period is: <i><b>None</b></i></p>
8.2.3	<p>The Adjudicator is: _____</p>
8.2.4	<p>The rules of procedure for arbitration proceedings pursuant to GCC Clause 8.2.4 shall be as follows:</p> <p>In accordance with the Georgian legislation.  Institution whose arbitration procedures shall be used and the place of arbitration shall be: Dispute Resolution Center Ltd. (the DRC), 71 Vaja-Pshavela ave., Tbilisi, Georgia</p>
8.2.5	<p>The designated Appointing Authority for a new Adjudicator is:</p> <p>Dispute Resolution Center Ltd. (the DRC)  Address: 71 Vaja-Pshavela ave., Tbilisi, Georgia  Tel: (995 32) 2 207 327  E-mail: info@drc-arbitration.ge</p>

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## **Appendices**

### **Appendix A - Description of the Services**

*Give detailed descriptions of the Services to be provided, dates for completion of various tasks, place of performance for different tasks, specific tasks to be approved by Employer, etc.*

### **Appendix B - Schedule of Payments and Reporting Requirements**

*List all milestones for payments and list the format, frequency, and contents of reports or products to be delivered; persons to receive them; dates of submission; etc. If no reports are to be submitted, state here "Not applicable."*

### **Appendix C - Key Personnel and Subcontractors**

*List Titles [and names, if already available], detailed job descriptions and minimum qualifications of Personnel to be assigned to work.*



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# Annex 1

## Performance Security

### (Bank Guarantee)

*[The bank, as requested by the successful Bidder, shall fill in this form in accordance with the instructions indicated]*

*[Guarantor letterhead or SWIFT identifier code]*

**Beneficiary:** *[insert name and Address of Employer]*

**Date:** *\_ [Insert date of issue]*

**PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE No.:** *[Insert guarantee reference number]*

**Guarantor:** *[Insert name and address of place of issue, unless indicated in the letterhead]*

We have been informed that *\_ [insert name of Service Provider which in the case of a joint venture shall be the name of the joint venture]* (hereinafter called "the Applicant") has entered into Contract No. *[insert reference number of the contract]* dated *[insert date]* with the Beneficiary, for the Non-Consulting Services of *\_ [insert name of contract and brief description of the Non-Consulting Services]* (hereinafter called "the Contract").

Furthermore, we understand that, according to the conditions of the Contract, a performance guarantee is required.

At the request of the Applicant, we as Guarantor, hereby irrevocably undertake to pay the Beneficiary any sum or sums not exceeding in total an amount of *[insert amount in figures]* ( *\_\_\_\_\_* ) *[insert amount in words]*,<sup>1</sup> such sum being payable in the types and proportions of currencies in which the Contract Price is payable, upon receipt by us of the Beneficiary's complying demand supported by the Beneficiary's statement, whether in the demand itself or in a separate signed document accompanying or identifying the demand, stating that the Applicant is in breach of its obligation(s) under the Contract, without the Beneficiary needing to prove or to show grounds for your demand or the sum specified therein.

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<sup>1</sup> *The Guarantor shall insert an amount representing the percentage of the Accepted Contract Amount specified in the Letter of Acceptance, and denominated either in the currency (ies) of the Contract or a freely convertible currency acceptable to the Beneficiary.*

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This guarantee shall expire, no later than the .... Day of ....., 2...<sup>2</sup>, and any demand for payment under it must be received by us at this office indicated above on or before that date.

This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees (URDG) 2010 Revision, ICC Publication No. 758, except that the supporting statement under Article 15(a) is hereby excluded.

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*[signature(s)]*

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<sup>2</sup> *Insert the date twenty-eight days after the expected completion date as described in GCC. The Service Provider should note that in the event of an extension of this date for completion of the Contract, the Service Provider would need to request an extension of this guarantee from the Guarantor. Such request must be in writing and must be made prior to the expiration date established in the guarantee. In preparing this guarantee, the Service Provider might consider adding the following text to the form, at the end of the penultimate paragraph: "The Guarantor agrees to a one-time extension of this guarantee for a period not to exceed [six months] [one year], in response to the Beneficiary's written request for such extension, such request to be presented to the Guarantor before the expiry of the guarantee."*

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## Advance Payment Security

*[Guarantor letterhead or SWIFT identifier code]*

**Beneficiary:** *[Insert name and Address of Employer]*

**Date:** *[Insert date of issue]*

**ADVANCE PAYMENT GUARANTEE No.:** *[Insert guarantee reference number]*

**Guarantor:** *[Insert name and address of place of issue, unless indicated in the letterhead]*

We have been informed that *[insert name of Service Provider, which in the case of a joint venture shall be the name of the joint venture]* (hereinafter called "the Applicant") has entered into Contract No. *[insert reference number of the contract]* dated *[insert date]* with the Beneficiary, for the execution of *[insert name of contract and brief description of Non-Consulting Services]* (hereinafter called "the Contract").

Furthermore, we understand that, according to the conditions of the Contract, an advance payment in the sum *[insert amount in figures]* ( ) *[insert amount in words]* is to be made against an advance payment guarantee.

At the request of the Applicant, we as Guarantor, hereby irrevocably undertake to pay the Beneficiary any sum or sums not exceeding in total an amount of *[insert amount in figures]* ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) *[insert amount in words]*<sup>1</sup> upon receipt by us of the Beneficiary's complying demand supported by the Beneficiary's statement, whether in the demand itself or in a separate signed document accompanying or identifying the demand, stating either that the Applicant:

- (a) has used the advance payment for purposes other than toward delivery of Services; or
- (b) has failed to repay the advance payment in accordance with the Contract conditions, specifying the amount which the Applicant has failed to repay.

A demand under this guarantee may be presented as from the presentation to the Guarantor of a certificate from the Beneficiary's bank stating that the advance payment referred to above has been

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<sup>1</sup> *The Guarantor shall insert an amount representing the amount of the advance payment and denominated either in the currency(ies) of the advance payment as specified in the Contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the Employer.*

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credited to the Applicant on its account number *[insert number]* at *[insert name and address of Applicant's bank]*.

This guarantee shall expire, at the latest, upon our receipt of a copy of the final payment certificate indicating that hundred (100) percent of the Accepted Contract Amount, has been certified for payment, or on the *[insert day]* day of *[insert month]*, 2 *[insert year]*, whichever is earlier. Consequently, any demand for payment under this guarantee must be received by us at this office on or before that date.

This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees (URDG) 2010 Revision, ICC Publication No.758, except that the supporting statement under Article 15(a) is hereby excluded.

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*[signature(s)]*

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