# Service Contract on State Procurement № 5

for the Provision of Advisory Services in relation to the Anaklia Deep Water Black Sea Port (CPV 79100000) 21 January, 2020

On the one hand,

LEPL - Anaklia Deep Water Sea Port Development Agency

12 Kazbegi ave., Tbilisi, 0160, Georgia

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(hereinafter referred to as the "Agency" or the "Client")

On the other hand, White & Case LLP

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(Hereinafter referred to as "White & Case" or the "Consultant")

Being also referred to as the "Parties" or a "Party" as the case may be.

WHEREAS the Client has asked the Consultant to provide legal advisory services in relation to the Anaklia Deep Sea Port Project

WHEREAS the Consultant hereby accepts to perform activities that are necessary to render the advisory services to assist and represent the Agency as described under Article 2 (the "Scope of Work").

This agreement constitutes the State procurement contract under legislation of Georgia.

On the basis of the #2745 Order of the Government of Georgia, dated 31 December 2019 and the Law of Georgia on State Procurement, Article 10<sup>1</sup>, section 3(d) (SMP Module registration number SMP190004849) the Parties have entered into this agreement (hereinafter the "Agreement") as follows:

## 1. Obligations of the Consultant

- 1.1. The Agreement has the objective to engage the Consultant for the Services listed in Article 2 of the Agreement and in accordance with terms and conditions set out in this Agreement (including in appendix #1 of the Agreement).
- 1.2. The Consultant shall be fully responsible for acts or omissions of its representatives.
- 1.3. The Consultant shall have the sole and full responsibility for the performance of the Services, in good faith and based on best international practice. During the course of the provision of the Services, the Consultant shall co-operate with other advisors (technical, legal etc.) employed by the Client for the execution of the project and duly support them in case respective issues arise.
- 1.4. The Consultant shall provide answers and recommendations to the questions of the Agency.
- 1.5. The Consultant shall, if necessary, review comments provided by other state/non state entities and provide recommendations regarding the Services listed in Article 2 of the Agreement.
- 1.6. The Consultant shall, if necessary, participate in meetings, discussions, conference calls with the Agency and their consultants in relation with the Services.

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1.7. The Consultant shall provide any other necessary assistance to the Agency in relation with the issues listed in Article 2 of the Agreement.

## 2. Scope of Work

The Services shall include, but shall not be limited to:

- i) Provide the comprehensive legal advice, opinion, memorandum, recommendation and support to the Agency in relation to the issues related to the Investment Agreement signed on October 3, 2016 between the Government of Georgia and Anaklia Development Consortium LLC relating to the build, operation and transfer of the Anaklia Deep Water Black Sea Port, including consequences of termination of the agreement;
- ii) Attend discussions/meetings at the Agency or with project stakeholders if requested;
- iii) Draft/review letters to be sent by the Agency;
- iv) Provide any other legal advices related to Anaklia Deep Sea Port Project.

## 3. Client's Obligations

- 3.1 During the Consultant's team's assignment in Georgia (if required), the Client shall provide at its expense local office facilities, Internet and team assistant.
- 3.2. The Client shall further ensure that the Consultant's experts have access to all information available with the Client to the extent necessary for the expedient conduct of the Services.
- 3.3. Thus the Client within its competence shall cooperate with White & Case to provide all the reasonable assistance necessary for the performance of the Services.
- 3.4. The Consultant shall be entitled to rely on all information provided by the Client.

# 4. Term of the Services and Effectiveness of the Agreement

- 4.1. The term of the Services is expected to be 31 March 2020
- 4.2 This Agreement shall come into force as of the date of its signature by both parties.
- 4.3. This Agreement shall be effective until 10 May 2020.

### 5. Fees

- 5.1. The monthly caped amounts of White & Case's professional fees, without any taxes and fees, for the Services is **USD 110,000.00** (One HundredTen Thousand). Despite the actual work days.
- 5.2. White & Case will charge for its services on an hourly basis. The hourly rates for the attorneys on this matter are:

USD 840 for Mr. Charles Nairac (Partner),

USD 840 for Mr. John Willems (Partner),

USD 650 for Mr. Francois-Guilhem Vaissier (Partner),

USD 650 for Mrs. Noor Davis (Partner),

USD 575 for Mr. Olivier Le Bars (Senior Associate - Level 6),

USD 505 for Mr. Bachir Carl Sayegh (Senior Associate - Level 5),

USD 425 for Ms. Diane Houriez (Junior Associate - Level 3),

USD 305 for Mr. Solis Menalco (Junior Associate - Level 1),

USD 305 for Mrs. Yasmine El Achkar (Junior Associate - Level 1),

USD 200 for any trainee solicitor or law clerk.

5.3 The total cost for professional fees will be payable on a monthly basis. Herewith the payment shall be made by the Client on the basis of submitted invoices by the consultant (invoice for each month should be submitted no later than 8 days after the end of the term of the Service), and acceptance-delivery acts

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should be signed no later than 15 days after the end of the term of the Service. concluded between the parties to this Agreement. For this purpose Mr. David Javakhadze, Director of the Agency or Ms. Magda Bolotashvili, Consultant of the Agency shall be authorized to sign such delivery-acceptance acts on behalf of the Client. For avoidance of any doubts, the capped amounts of fees will apply and be payable for each calendar month despite the actual work days and the Consultant will be remunerated according to the hours spent for provision of the Services, within the capped amounts as set out in the agreement.

- 5.4. All fees throughout the Services shall be invoiced to the Client after completion of respective services in accordance with section. The caped amount of White & Case's all professional fees and expenses for the Services wouldn't exceed USD 250,000.00 (Two Hundred Fifty Thousand).
- 5.5. Invoices shall be payable within 20 days of signing a delivery and acceptance act. All payments are subject to laws of Georgia.
- 5.6. The caped amount of White & Case's fees and expenses for each 2 day trip by 1 expert would amount to USD 2 700.00, without any taxes and fees, including travel, accommodation and all related expenses.

#### 6. Taxation

- 6.1. The remuneration payable to the Consultant according to article 5 does not include any taxes (e.g. value added taxes/reverse charge VAT, withholding taxes, and others), levies or other fees which may be payable under the laws of Georgia. Any such taxes, levies or other fees shall be borne by the Client in Georgia, if applicable. The total amount of fees and expenses inclusive all applicable taxes shall not exceed 319,000.00 (Three Hundred Nineteen Thousand) USD in total.
- 6.2. Invoices submitted by White & Case to the Client shall include detailed information on fees for services rendered by each person involved in this engagement. The final total value shall be determined in accordance with the acceptance and delivery acts signed for the actual service, but not more than the total estimated value of the Agreement.
- 6.3. The source of funding: appropriations for LEPL Anaklia Deep Sea Port Development Agency allocated from the State Budget of Georgia of 2020.

#### 7. Reporting and Monitoring

- 7.1. The Agency is entitled to monitor and control fulfilment of the obligations imposed on the Consultant under the Agreement, at any stage of implementation of this Agreement.
- 7.2. Monitoring and Control shall be carried out by an authorized person on behalf of the Agency –Director or Deputy Director.
- 7.3. Consultant shall, promptly and at its own expense correct all shortcomings revealed as a result of such inspections.

# 8. Confidentiality

- 8.1. All information and documents provided by the Client to the Consultant shall be regarded as Confidential Information.
- 8.2. The Consultant recognises that it will be granted access to confidential information regarding the business and affairs of the Client. In consideration of the Client making such Confidential Information available to it, the Consultant undertakes as follows:
- 8.2.1. To keep all Confidential Information received private and confidential, and not to disclose it to any other persons or entity, unless authorised by the Client.
- 8.2.2. To use the Confidential Information provided by the Client solely for the purpose of rendering the Services, as provided by this Agreement, and not for any other purpose whatsoever.
- 8.2.3. To return to the Client all Confidential Information received in writing as soon as practicable after the date on which such information is not necessary or useful anymore for the performance of the Consultant's obligations under this Agreement, and, in any event, on the date of termination of this Agreement.

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8.3 All information and documents provided by the Consultant to the Client shall be regarded as Confidential Information. The parties hereby acknowledge that the Client shall be entitled to disclose such confidential information to the Government of Georgia, ministries, state agencies and other state entities of Georgia, as well as to its consultants and advisers.

#### 9. Conflict of Interest

9.1. It is acknowledged by the Consultant that it has no conflict of interest and no potential conflict of interest with Anaklia Development Consortium LLC, (the Investor)

its direct and/or indirect shareholders (the "Shareholders"), affiliates and contractors, and it has not been, is not and does not intend to involve in any type of consultancy, advisory or any other type of work or relation with the Investor, the Shareholders, or affiliates and contractors of the Investor; or Any current sea port of the Black Sea, including sea ports of Georgia (Poti Port and Batumi Port), its shareholders and operators (APM Terminals, PACE Georgia, Batumi International Container Terminals, BICT, International Container Services, LTD "Batumi Port Holding Limited", and Batumi Terminal Limited), (collectively, the "Other Ports") and it does not currently have any kind of engagement including but not limited to any type of consultancy, advisory or any other type of work or relation with the Other Ports;

- 9.2. It is also acknowledged that the Consultant is not currently involved in any kind of works, cooperation or activities with the Investor, the Shareholders, or affiliates and contractors of the Investor; or the Other Ports that may give raise to conflict of interest under the Agreement.
- 9.3. It is agreed that upon occurrence of any conflict of interest or any potential conflict of interest with the Investor, the Shareholders, or affiliates, shareholders and contractors of the Investor, or the Other Ports, the Consultant shall immediately inform the Agency and the Parties may agree on ways of elimination of the conflict of interest. If the parties do not reach agreement, the Agency will be entitled to unilaterally terminate the Agreement, without having any liability for any kind of compensation to the Consultant.
- 9.4. The breach of the obligation set out in this clause by the Consultant, shall be considered as a material breach of the Agreement.
- 9.5 The list of existing contractors of the Investor, known to the Agency include: Van Oord Dredging and Marine Contractors BV; Maritime and Transport Business Solutions B.V; Royal Haskoning DHV; Van Wijngaarden Groothandel B.V.; Dynasafe Group (part of the Bactec Group); GeoGlobe; Ruka Mapping LLC. SLR International Corporation; RPS Energy Consultants Limited; Moffat and Nicols; Egrisi Development Company; Conti TBC Georgia; Gergili LLC; and Ecoline International Ltd; ACT LLC. 9.6. The list of current Shareholders of the Investor include: Anaklia Holding JSC, TBC Holding, TBCH Anaklia, TBC holding, Conti Group, Wondernet Express LLP, G Star LTD, Mamuka Khazaradze, Curt Conti, Van Oord PPP International BV

#### 10. Disputes and Arbitration

10.1. Any dispute between the Client and the Consultant arising out of this Agreement shall be settled by mutual agreement between the contracting Parties.

10.2. If the Parties are unable to reach an agreement on any question in dispute or on a mode of settlement, then any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Agreement shall be finally settled under the rules of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce. The number of arbitrations shall be three, the place of any arbitration shall be New York, New York. The English language shall be used in any arbitral proceeding and all documents shall be provided in the English language or with translations into the English language.

This agreement to arbitrate constitutes a waiver of any right to sovereign immunity from execution to which Georgia/the Agency might otherwise be entitled with respect to the recognition and enforcement of any award rendered by an arbitral tribunal constituted pursuant to this Agreement.

The following categories of property shall be immune from enforcement proceedings:

- a. Property to the extent used or intended for use for the exercise of diplomatic rights. Including Georgia's diplomatic missions, consular posts, special missions, missions to international organizations or to international conferences and including their furnishings, means of transportation and funds held in bank accounts for use in funding such missions, posts, organizations and/or conferences;
- b. Property of a military character or used or intended for use for military purposes.

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- c. Property constituting or forming part of the essential cultural heritage of Georgia or part of its archives and not placed or intended to be placed or sale, including museums, archaeological sites and artefacts, libraries and related historical preservation and research facilities, cemeteries monuments and other similar property;
- d. Property forming part of an exhibition of objects of scientific or historical interest which is outside the territory of Georgia and not placed or intended to be placed on sale;
- e. Ships and aircraft to the extent used for governmental service;
- f. Physical assets being used to perform essential government functions, such as parliament and governmental buildings and their furnishings;
- g. Property of the judiciary, such as court buildings and their furnishings; and
- h. Property of public health care welfare and educational, as well as that of the police and other law enforcement systems.

#### 11. Amendments

- 11.1. Any modifications to this Agreement shall be effected by amendments to this Agreement in writing to be mutually agreed between the Parties hereto.
- 11.2. The change in the terms of this Agreement, including the change in the fees is unacceptable if the change results in increasing the total value of the Agreement or in worsening the terms of the Agreement for the Agency, with the exception of cases specified under Article 398 of the Civil Code of Georgia. The review of the terms of the Agreement shall meet the conditions established under the legislation of Georgia. 11.3. If the circumstances under Article 398 of the Civil Code of Georgia take place, the initial contract value shall not be increased by more than 10%.

#### 12. Termination

- 12.1. The Client and the Consultant shall each have the right to terminate this Agreement with 2 weeks prior notification, if they reasonably consider that the continued implementation of the Agreement is impossible or impractical for unforeseen causes beyond the control of the Client or the Consultant. If the Agreement should be terminated, the Client shall complete all payments which are due up to the effective date of termination and the Consultant shall deliver all work in process.
- 12.2. This Agreement is made in two originals, in English language, all texts being equally authentic. In the event of any difference in the interpretation, English version shall prevail.
- 12.3. The representative of the Agency, by signing this Agreement, confirms that he fully satisfies the conditions set out by Article 8 of the Law of Georgia "on State Procurement" related to avoiding the conflict of interest.

For and on behalf of White & Case LLP

Francois-Guihem Vaissier

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I accept the terms set out above and below and the accompanying terms of engagement

For and on behalf of LEPL Anaklia Deep Sea Port Development Agency

David Javakhadze, Director


I accept the terms set out above and below and the accompanying terms of engagement

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### General terms of legal assistance

# 1. Identity of the client

The client is the only the Client and no other person may claim to be the client in connection with the matter without our prior written consent.

## 2. Processing of personal data

White & Case may need to collect, handle and disclose data of a personal nature relating to the Client or the Client's employees, agents, suppliers, sub-contractors and other persons, which you have supplied in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and with the consent of the persons in question. Anyone whose personal data we hold may request a copy of the data concerning them which is in the possession of White & Case. They may also request that White & Case modify, update or delete the personal data concerning them and, in certain cases, they may make an objection to the handling of personal data.

### 3. Professional secrecy

In accordance with applicable professional standards, White & Case has a duty to keep any information received in the context of an engagement confidential. Therefore, if White & Case has such information from another client, it cannot disclose it to you even if that information is relevant to your matter.

#### 4. Representation of other clients

As a condition of White & Case undertaking this matter, it should be understood that White & Case may continue to represent or undertake to represent existing or new clients even if those clients' interests are directly adverse to Client's in matters substantially unrelated to this engagement regardless of their magnitude and importance. This shall include arbitration and litigation. No attorney or staff member or any affiliated person employed at White & Case working on this engagement, as well as facts gathered during the engagement shall be involved in such an adverse representation.

Under applicable rules of professional responsibility, White & Case is obliged to avoid revealing information acquired as a consequence of the representation of any client *inter alia* the Client. Therefore, if White & Case has such information from another client *inter alia* the Client, White & Case cannot disclose it to the client *inter alia* Client even if that information is relevant to the Client's or the other client's representation.

#### 5. Bar

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