

**CROSS BORDER CO-OPERATION DIRECTORATE****Recommendation**

Mr. Niculescu has worked in two consecutive contracts for providing Technical Assistance for the Cross Border Co-operation Directorate within the Ministry of European Integration in the period April 2004 – October 2005.

The first contract required assistance for projects related to the Romania – Hungary border and included preparation of Tender Dossiers, including evaluation grids and FIDIC Particular Conditions of Contract, evaluations and contract negotiations for works, services and supplies, mainly related to infrastructure projects. Tasks also included support for the CBC Directorate in implementing the contracts.

A major task was also preparation of a complete set of “Guidelines for Applicants for Grants”, including forms to be filled in by the applicants.

As part of this assignment, Mr. Niculescu also provided a FIDIC course for grants applicants, for infrastructure projects.

The second contract consisted in providing Technical Assistance for projects related to the Romania – Bulgaria border and included preparation of Tender Dossiers, including evaluation grids and FIDIC Particular Conditions of Contract, mainly related to infrastructure projects.

Significant support was also provided in advertising the Grants opportunity, to various potential beneficiaries through conferences held in different locations, followed by evaluation and ranking of received applications.

During his second assignment, Mr. Niculescu prepared and provided several trainings in PRAG and FIDIC, for the staff of the CBC Directorate and various Grants Beneficiaries.

Throughout all above period, Mr. Niculescu provided an excellent and dedicated assistance, very good technical knowledge and great support in the management of contractual issues.

His capacities of working under significant pressures and of maintaining his calm and organizing activities of staff around him, in difficult and demanding circumstances, were a significant support in several occasions, leading to successfully solving all such situations.

As well, his knowledge in contractual matters, especially in FIDIC Conditions of Contract, often proved very helpful.

In conclusion, we warmly recommend Mr. Florin NICULESCU for any such assignments.

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