

Early Market Engagement

M37 Corridor Improvement Project—km 207–276 and Bukhara Bypass

Project and proposed opportunities

The Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan is preparing the reconstruction of the M37 Samarkand–Bukhara–Turkmenbashi road between km 207 and km 276, together with a 4.5 km Bukhara bypass, for proposed financing by the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB).

The Project will be implemented by the “Avtoyninvest” Agency under the Committee for Roads under the Ministry of Transport of the Republic of Uzbekistan.

The Project covers a total road length of approximately 73.5 km and includes reconstruction and upgrading with cement-concrete pavement. The proposed procurement comprises:

- **Civil Works—Lot 1:** reconstruction of the M37 between km 207 and km 249, covering approximately 42 km;
- **Civil Works—Lot 2:** reconstruction of the M37 between km 249 and km 276, together with the 4.5 km Bukhara bypass, covering approximately 31.5 km;
- **Construction Supervision and Project Management Consulting Services:** independent supervision and contract administration across both Civil Works lots, including quality control, progress monitoring, certification of works and project management support; and
- **Technical Audit Consulting Services:** independent technical audits at key stages of implementation, covering the Civil Works and associated supervision services.

Bidders are expected to be permitted to bid for one or both Civil Works lots, with contracts potentially awarded separately or in combination. The anticipated construction period is approximately three years, followed by a two-year Defects Notification Period.

What the EME will explore

The EME will focus on the following areas.

Civil Works

- market appetite for the proposed opportunity;
- the suitability of the proposed two-lot structure and arrangements for bidding for and awarding one or both lots;
- qualification and evaluation criteria;
- constructability, deliverability, implementation schedule and mobilization;
- sourcing, supply-chain and cross-border logistics constraints;

- opportunities for innovation or alternative delivery approaches; and
- other measures that could encourage participation by capable contractors.

Consulting Services

- market appetite for the proposed assignments;
- the proposed scope, packaging and interfaces between the two assignments;
- contract duration, mobilization and staffing requirements;
- the availability of key experts and the balance between international and national expertise;
- shortlisting, qualification and evaluation criteria; and
- other measures that could encourage participation by capable consulting firms.

Benefits of participating

Participation will provide an opportunity to:

- gain early visibility of the proposed opportunities and procurement timetable;
- understand the current procurement and delivery assumptions;
- identify practical delivery considerations and opportunities to improve the procurement approach; and
- provide input while relevant aspects of the procurement approach remain open to review.

How to participate

The EME will be conducted through a single online webinar covering the Civil Works and Consulting Services opportunities.

Date: 08.10.2026

Time and time zone: 15:00 – 17:00 UTC+5 (Tashkent time)

Duration: 2 hours

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Registration deadline: 07.10.2026

Registration link:

https://AIIB.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_swYBLXZuSxCH3oUgLm2RNq

Questions may be submitted through the registration form in advance of the webinar. Separate feedback surveys for the Civil Works and Consulting Services will be issued following the webinar.

This EME is pre-procurement in nature and does not form part of any formal procurement process. Participation is voluntary and is not a prerequisite for participation in any future procurement.

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