

Notice of Uncontested Sanctions Proceedings

April 12, 2023

**Sanctions Case No. 760
IDA Credit Number 5233-VN
(Vietnam Da Nang Sustainable City Development Project)**

**Respondents:
Getinsa Ingeniería Vietnam Co. Ltd.
Ms. Tran Thi Hoan**

1. On January 6, 2023, the World Bank’s Chief Suspension and Debarment Officer (the “SDO”) issued a Notice of Sanctions Proceedings (the “Notice”) to Getinsa Ingeniería Vietnam Co. Ltd. (“Getinsa Vietnam”) and Ms. Tran Thi Hoan (“Ms. Hoan”) (together, the “Respondents”) pursuant to sub-paragraph 4.01(a) of Section III.A of the Bank Procedure: Sanctions Proceedings and Settlements in Bank Financed Projects issued by the Bank on June 28, 2016 (the “Sanctions Procedures”).
2. The Statement of Accusations and Evidence (the “SAE”) prepared by the Bank’s Integrity Vice Presidency (“INT”) and appended to the Notice contained INT’s accusations that the Respondents engaged in Sanctionable Practices (as defined in the Sanctions Procedures) in connection with the above-named project (the “Project”). The SAE also contained the evidence gathered by INT in support of these accusations.
3. The specific accusations made by INT in the SAE were that the Respondents engaged in collusive or corrupt practices by entering into an arrangement with two other companies to improperly influence the drafting of technical specifications for two contracts under the Project, and by soliciting from one of the two above-mentioned companies a commission worth 10% of the contracts’ value for the Respondents’ assistance in winning the contracts.
4. Based on a review of INT’s SAE conducted in accordance with sub-paragraph 4.01(a) of Section III.A of the Sanctions Procedures, and pursuant to sub-paragraph 4.01(c), sub-paragraph 9.01, and sub-paragraph 9.04 of Section III.A of the Sanctions Procedures, with due consideration of the factors set forth in sub-paragraph 9.02 of Section III.A of the Sanctions Procedures and in the World Bank Group Sanctioning Guidelines, the SDO recommended in the Notice that each Respondent, together with certain Affiliates (as defined in the Sanctions Procedures) where so specified, be sanctioned as follows:

Respondent 1

Getinsa Ingeniería Vietnam Co. Ltd. (“Getinsa Vietnam”)

**Recommended Sanction: Debarment with Conditional Release
Minimum Period of Ineligibility of Eight (8) Years and Ten (10) Months**

It is recommended that Getinsa Vietnam (together with any entity that is an Affiliate directly or indirectly controlled by Getinsa Vietnam) be declared ineligible (i) to be awarded or otherwise benefit from a Bank-financed contract, financially or in any other manner;¹ (ii) to be a nominated² sub-contractor, consultant, manufacturer or supplier, or service provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded a Bank-financed contract; and (iii) 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; provided, however, that after a minimum period of ineligibility of an eight (8) years and ten (10) months – i.e., an initial period of six (6) years commencing November 29, 2021 pursuant to

(e.g., an integrity compliance program or elements thereof) to address the Sanctionable Practices.

In determining this recommended sanction, the SDO took into account, as aggravating factors, (i) the sophisticated means through which Ms. Hoan engaged in the misconduct, involving significant planning and multiple companies and individuals and (ii) Ms. Hoan's central role in coordinating

