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Serbia-Belgrade: Hydrometeorology services
2022/S 054-139565

Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

EIB Guide to Procurement

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Official name: Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure

Postal address: Nemanjina 22-26

Town: Belgrade

NUTS code: RS Srbija/Србија / Serbia

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I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://mgsi.gov.rs/>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.5) Main activity

Other activity: Railway services, Port-related activities, Airport-related activities

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Implementation of a network of hydrometeorological stations along the Danube and Sava rivers in the Republic of Serbia

Reference number: EIB-GtP/342-01-1658/2021-06

II.1.2) Main CPV code

71351612 Hydrometeorology services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

Services for the implementation of a network of hydrometeorological stations along the Danube and Sava rivers in the Republic of Serbia.

Services include: detailed design and preparation of technical documents (design, software specifications, test plan, etc.), supply, installation and commissioning of equipment, software development, installation and integration, pilot operation, training and support of administration and operating personnel.

Funding

SERBIAN INLAND WATERWAY INFRASTRUCTURE Finance Contract between the Republic of Serbia and European Investment Bank (Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia – International Contracts, No. 02/2019) – 40 % EIB and 60% state budget of the Republic of Serbia

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 4 400 000.00 EUR

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) **Description**

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: RS Srbija/Србија / Serbia

Main site or place of performance:

The Republic of Serbia, alongside the Danube and Sava rivers.

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

Guide to Procurement (GtP) for projects financed by the EIB from September 2018 (https://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/guide_to_procurement_en.pdf) is applied to this tender, while tender document templates are from the PRAG (Practical Guide for Procurement And Grants for European Union external actions – August 2020).

Participation is open to all-natural persons and firms (participating either individually or in a grouping - consortium - of tenderers) originating from all countries of the world.

All eligible natural and legal persons or groupings of such persons (consortia) may apply.

A consortium may be a permanent, legally-established grouping or a grouping which has been constituted informally for a specific tender procedure. All partners of a consortium (i.e., the leader and all other partners) are jointly and severally liable to the Contracting Authority (CA).

The participation of an ineligible natural/ legal person will result in the automatic exclusion of that person. If that ineligible person belongs to a consortium, the whole consortium will be excluded.

Only one application or tender can be submitted by a person whatever the form of participation (as an individual legal entity or as leader or partner of a consortium submitting an application/tender). If a natural or legal person submits more than one application or tender, all applications or tenders in which that person has participated will be excluded.

Further information related to the submission of application is given in Section VI (Additional Information).

Grounds for exclusion

As part of the application form, candidates must submit a signed declaration, included in the standard application form, to the effect that they are not in any of the exclusion situations listed in Section 2.6.10.1. of the PRAG (August 2020), as well as in the GtP (September 2018) for projects financed by the EIB, (https://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/guide_to_procurement_en.pdf), Section 1.4 (Ethical Conduct), Section 1.5 (Conflict of Interest), Section 1.7 (mandatory compliance with EIB's environmental and social safeguards), and Section 3.6 (Prohibited Conduct – Covenant of Integrity (CoI) – template available in EIB GtP, Annex 3), Anti-fraud policy of the EIB (<http://www.eib.org/infocentre/publications/all/anti-fraud-policy.html>) and Section 3.8 Environmental and Social Covenant (template is available in EIB GtP, Annex 7). It should be noted that, in the

Col, the tenderer is requested to self-declare all sanctions and/or exclusions (including any similar decisions having the effect of imposing conditions on the tenderer or its subsidiaries or to exclude the said tenderer or its subsidiaries, such as temporary suspension, conditional non-exclusion, etc.) imposed by the European institutions or any multilateral development banks (including the World Bank Group, the African Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, EBRD, EIB or Inter-American Development Bank), regardless of the date of issue and the expiration or not of such decisions and of the current status of any sanction and/or exclusion. In this regard, any omission or misrepresentation, made knowingly or recklessly, may be considered as fraud under the EIB Anti-Fraud Policy. Therefore, the Client reserves the right to reject any offer presenting an inaccurate or incomplete Col, and may cause the rejection of the offer for prohibited conduct.

Pursuant to its Sanctions Policy, the Bank shall not provide finance, directly or indirectly, to or for the benefit of an individual or entity that is subject to financial sanctions imposed by the EU, either autonomously or pursuant to the financial sanctions decided by the United Nations Security Council on the basis of article 41 of the UN Charter.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

II.2.7) **Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 30

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) **Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged minimum number: 4

Maximum number: 8

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

Stipulated in Section III

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) **Conditions for participation**

III.1.1) **Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions:

The following selection criteria will be applied to candidates. In the case of applications submitted by a consortium, these selection criteria will be applied to the consortium as a whole if not specified otherwise. The selection criteria will not be applied to natural persons and single-member companies when they are sub-contractors. No local preference provisions or local content provisions (such as national licenses, mandatory local sub-contracting, mandatory association with local companies, mandatory local workforce, etc.) are required in this Contract.

III.1.2) **Economic and financial standing**

List and brief description of selection criteria:

The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years for which accounts have been closed:

- the average annual turnover of the candidate over the last 3 years (2018, 2019 and 2020) must be at least 4 000 000 EUR;
- the average current ratio (current assets/current liabilities) over the last 3 years (2018, 2019 and 2020) must be greater than 1 (>1);

III.1.3) **Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria:

The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last six years preceding the submission deadline.

Professional capacity:

- The bidder must have at least twenty (30) permanent staff currently working in the field of engineering or IT/ consultancy. Permanent staff is staff whose employment is not based on fixed term contracts;

Technical capacity:

- a) service provision in at least one (1) contract with a budget of at least that of this contract in the domain of the intelligent transport infrastructure (ITS) implementation
- b) at least one (1) contract of hydrometric or hydrological or meteorological network-system implementation with at least 30 measuring stations implemented

implemented at any moment during the reference period, meaning that the project referred to could have been started/completed at any time during the indicated period but it does not have to be started and completed during that period, nor implemented during the entire period. Tenderers are allowed to refer either to projects completed within the reference period (although started earlier) or to projects not yet completed. Completed projects will be considered in their whole if documentary evidence is provided (statement/certificate from the CA/Beneficiary, proof of final payment). For still on-going projects, only the part completed during the reference period, although started earlier, shall be considered and will have to be supported by documentary evidence (similarly to projects completed), detailing its value. If a project was implemented in a consortium, the percentage that the tenderer has completed must be stated in the evidence, together with a description of the services provided if the selection criteria relating to the pertinence of the experience have been used. Documentary evidence is not required at the application stage but will be requested with the invitation to tender. Previous experience which caused breach of contract and termination by a CA shall not be used as reference. Capacity-providing entities

An economic operator may rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. In that case it must prove to the CA that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for performance of the contract through a commitment by those entities placing those resources at its disposal. Such entities, must comply with the same rules of eligibility as the economic operator relying on them and with the selection criteria for which the economic operator relies on them. The data for this third entity

for the relevant selection criterion should be included in a separate document. Evidence will also have to be provided when requested by the CA.

For the technical and professional criteria, an economic operator may only rely on the capacities of other entities where the latter will perform the tasks for which these capacities are required.

For the economic and financial criteria, the entities upon whose capacity the economic operator relies, become jointly and severally liable for the contract performance.

If more than 8 eligible candidates meet the above selection criteria, the relative strengths and weaknesses of their applications must be re-examined in order to rank them and identify the best 8. Additional comparative criteria considered during this re-examination, in the order in which they appear below, are:

- 1) highest number of projects that meet criteria b)
- 2) highest cumulative value of all the projects that meet criteria a).

N.B.: additional criterion No 1 shall be applied to all the eligible candidates that meet the selection criteria. If, after applying additional criterion No 1, it is not possible to identify the 8 best candidates because two or more candidates are tied for the 8th position, additional criterion No 2 shall be applied only to these candidates.

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: [2022/S 031-078367](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 18/04/2022

Local time: 14:30

IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

Date: 09/05/2022

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3) Additional information:

Submission of applications

Applications must be submitted using the standard application form (the format and instructions of which must be strictly observed) available from the following Internet address:

<https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/document.do?isAnnexes=true> and must be accompanied by a declaration on honour on exclusion and selection criteria using the template available at the same Internet address.

Any documentation (letter, etc.) sent with an application in addition to what has been requested shall not be considered.

Applications must be submitted in English exclusively to the CA in a sealed envelope to the address mentioned in Section I.

- Either by post or courier service, in which case the evidence shall be constituted by the postmark or the date of the deposit slip,
 - OR hand delivered by the participant in person or agent directly to the premises of the CA in return for a signed and dated receipt, in which case the evidence shall be constituted by this receipt.
- Tenders/proposals arriving after the deadline for receipt will be returned unopened.

Information on the dates and timing:

Prior Information Notice publication date: February 14th, 2022

Contract Notice publication date: March 17th, 2022

Deadline for receipt of applications: April 18th, 2022 at 14:30

Public opening ceremony: April 19th, 2022 at 10:00

Other relevant information shall be provided within the tender dossier distributed to short listed candidates.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Official name: Republic Commission for the Protection of Rights in Public Procurement Procedures

Postal address: Nemanjina 22-26

Town: Belgrade

Postal code: 11000

Country: Serbia

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

12/03/2022