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# Minutes of the Pre-Bidding Meeting for ITB 22/02441

EU CBM: Repair of access road Severnyi district, Bender town

as of 13 June 2022, 15:00 Online via Zoom platform

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## Agenda:

- I. Presentation and description of procedures
- II. Questions and answers

# I. Presentation and description of procedures

The Pre-bidding conference was opened by *Vladimir Paraschiv*, *Procurement Associate*, *EU-CBM Programme*, who welcomed the participants, introduced the members of UNDP team and EU CBM V Programme, present at the meeting.

He has made an overall presentation of the tender's conditions and requirements. He underlined the importance of provision of all required documents and explained Bid security, maintenance security and performance security to the attendees.

Some other important conditions were pointed out as follows:

- It is important that the bidder's proposal is valid for a period not less than 90 days;
- for this tender there is need for Bid Security (USD 15,000) in form of Bank Guarantee;
- Advanced payment is allowed up to maximum 20% from the amount of the contract in the conditions detailed in the ITB document;
- There will be liquidated damages imposed in case the works are not completed within 120 days;
- There is performance security in value of 10% of the contract;
- Solicitations for clarifications are accepted via e-mail, till 5 days prior to the deadline, in this case till 17 June 2022, as the established deadline for the tender is 22 June 2022;
- Bidder should be a legally registered international company or JV/Consortium or with at least 10 years of experience in the field of activity. The requirements towards bidder's eligibility, qualification and experience, as well as key personnel to be proposed for the implementation of the contract are detailed in

the Section 4 of the ITB document. The list of documents to be attached to the technical proposal is presented in Form B of Section 6;

- Currency for the financial offer is United States Dollars (US\$);
- Valid certificates shall be provided, and these include the certificate of registration, license for road construction works in Transnistria, etc;
- Referring to the online submission via e-tendering platform, please, pay attention to the video guides, which link published is in the tender announcement (https://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/operations/procurement/business/procurementnotices/resources/). If following strictly the guidelines you will succeed. In case, after registering into the e-tendering system you encounter problems in logging in with your personal ID and password, as recommended in the video, first clear the browser history and second - try to log in. In case you encounter problems in accessing some system buttons, please, try using another Internet browser. The Atlas e-Tendering System is designed for Internet Explorer browser. In case you are not registered, you may access the system by using ID "event.guest" and password "why2change" in order to view the bidding event and the supporting documents, however, this will not allow you to bid, unless registered.

Mr. Vladimir Paraschiv has mentioned that the only platform for receiving the offer is e-tendering system and the bidders are requested to apply well in advance the scanned documents, as there is the need to upload many documents and it takes time. You will receive a notification on email confirming bid submission. Please register for tender, in such a way you will receive a notification each time the tender has updates.

Mr. Andrei Vasilachi spoke about the annexes of the ITB, about the road construction site in Transnistria region. He mentioned that the date for the field visit is scheduled for the 15 June 2022 at 10:00 and that interested companies shall notify the contact person about intention to participate in this visit. He also described the technical documents, including BOQs and TOR and answered technical questions etc

## II. Questions and Answers

#### Question 1:

We have a question about accreditation and license for works performed in the Transnistrian Region. Is it mandatory for the company, registered in the Republic of Moldova, to hold a license issued by the Transnistrian de-facto authorities?

#### Answer:

The applicant should have all the necessary permissions/authorisation for executing the works in the indicated area.

## Question 2:

If we sign a contract, would it be subject to VAT=20% or not?

#### Answer:

All the offers are required to be VAT=o. The Government of the Republic of Moldova classifies EU CBM V Programme / UNDP Moldova as providers of humanitarian technical assistance and has included our project into the list of projects that apply VAT=o for activities. When implementing the contract, all the payments and attached fiscal bills will get letters of confirmation for application of VAT=o.

## Question 3:

Are the fiscal bills generated by the de facto results and corresponding amounts of executed works?

#### Answer:

The volumes of works that have been completed, are enlisted into the receipt acts and then sent for payment.

## Question 4:

Shall the works be completed in the Transnistria region?

#### Answer:

Yes, the works shall be completed in Transnistria region.

### Question 5:

We have a question about ISO certificates. What if our company does not hold any ISO certificates, is it still eligible?

### Answer:

The ITB document does not require the company to have ISO certificates. If any ISO certificates are available, then copies of them shall be provided by the company. Missing the ISO certificate is not a criterion for disqualification.

### Question 6:

Many companies from Transnistria region that are providing road construction works have been established by the local authorities, for example the municipalities. Are these companies eligible to apply to this tender?

#### Answer:

All companies can participate in the tender but it shall be mentioned that if offeror is wholly or partly owned by a government, its eligibility shall be subject to UNDP's further evaluation and review within later tender stages.

I.e. the company shall demonstrate that they:

- a) are run as independent business entities and therefore are considered business/commercial organizations;
- b) are registered, operated and managed as separate, from the founders, business entities;
- c) they have financial freedom;
- d) are responsible by law for the implementation of the contracts.

This information will be checked during the evaluation process and the applicants will be assessed for Government ownership/share, receipt of subsidies, mandate, access to information in relation to the solicitation, and other factors that may lead to undue advantage.

## Question 7:

The ITB document contain the following statement: "Minimum 3 (three) contracts of similar value, nature and complexity (Road rehabilitation/construction in Transnistria region) implemented over the last 5 (five) years...". Does this statement mean that we need to show 3 contracts implemented in Transnistria region?

#### Answer:

No. The above-mentioned excerpt from the ITB document is pointing out that there shall be 3 contracts of similar value, nature and complexity, similar to road rehabilitation/construction in Transnistria region. These contracts could have been implemented in Moldova or anywhere in the world.

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