Additional information about the Contract Notice

Supply of Equipment for "Public Transportation Gets Smarter in Denizli" Location - Denizli/Türkiye

1. Nature of contract

Unit price

2. Programme title

Multi-Annual Action Programme for Türkiye on Transport (MAAP-T) 2014/031-877

3. Financing

IPA Budget item 22.02 03 02 of the General Budget of the EU and National Contribution.

4. Legal basis, eligibility and rules of origin

The legal basis of this procedure is Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 laying down common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for financing external action and IPA II. See Annex A2 of the practical guide.

Participation is open to all natural persons who are nationals of and legal persons (participating either individually or in a grouping – consortium – of candidates/tenderers) which are effectively established in a Member State of the European Union or in a eligible country or territory as defined under the Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 establishing common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for external action (CIR) for the applicable instrument under which the contract is financed Participation is also open to international organisations.

All supplies under Lot 1 may originate in any country.

All supplies under Lot 2 and Lot 3 must originate in one or more of the above countries.

For UK candidates or tenderers: Please be aware that following the entry into force of the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement* on 1 February 2020 and in particular Articles 127(6), 137 and 138, the references to natural or legal persons residing or established in a Member State of the European Union and to goods originating from an eligible country, as defined under Regulation (EU) No 236/2014** and Annex IV of the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement***, are to be understood as including natural or legal persons residing or established in, and to goods originating from, the United Kingdom ****. Those persons and goods are therefore eligible under this call.

* Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community.

** Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 laying down common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for financing external action.

*** Annex IV to the ACP-EU Partnership Agreement, as revised by Decision 1/2014 of the ACP-EU Council of Ministers (OJ L196/40, 3.7.2014)

**** Including the Overseas Countries and Territories having special with the United Kingdom, as laid down in Part Four and Annex II of the TFEU.

5. Candidature

All eligible natural and legal persons (as per item 4 above) or groupings of such persons (consortia)

may participate or tender.

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

The participation or tender of an ineligible natural or legal person will result in the automatic exclusion of that person. In particular, if that ineligible person belongs to a consortium, the whole consortium will be excluded.

6. Number of requests to participate or tenders

No more than one request to participate or tender can be submitted by a natural or legal person whatever the form of participation (as an individual legal entity or as leader or partner of a consortium submitting a request to participate or tender). In the event that a natural or legal person submits more than one request to participate or tender, all requests to participate or tenders in which that person has participated will be excluded.

In case of lots, the candidates or tenderers may submit only one request to participate or tender per lot. Contracts will be awarded lot by lot and each lot will form a separate contract.

7. Grounds for exclusion

Candidates must submit a signed declaration, included in the request to participate form, to the effect that they are not in any of the situations listed in Section 2.6.10.1 of the **practical guide** (**PRAG**). Where the candidate intends to rely on capacity providing entities or subcontractor(s), he/she must provide the same declaration signed by this/these entity(ies).

Candidates included in the lists of EU restrictive measures (see Section 2.4. of the PRAG) at the moment of the award decision cannot be awarded the contract.

8. Sub-contracting

Sub-contracting is allowed.

9. Number of candidates to be short-listed

N/A

10. Short-list alliances prohibited

N/A

11. Provisional date of invitation to tender

N/A

12. Provisional commencement date of the contract

N/A

13. Period of implementation of tasks

As specified in the Article 19 of the Special Conditions, starting from the commencement of the Contract and ending on the day of issuance of Provisional Acceptance Certificate:

- For Lot 1: The implementation period will last 150 calendar days;
- For Lot 2: The implementation period will last 240 calendar days;
- For Lot 3: The implementation period will last 90 calendar days;

14. Language of the procedure

All written communications for this tender procedure and contract must be in English.

15. Additional information

Financial data to be provided by the candidate in the request to participate form or in the tender submission form must be expressed in EUR. If applicable, where a candidate refers to amounts originally expressed in a different currency, the conversion to EUR shall be made in accordance

with the InforEuro exchange rate of **June**, **2024** which can be found at the following address: <u>http://ec.europa.eu/budget/graphs/inforeuro.html</u>.

Tender opening session

21/08/2024 (14:30), local time – Türkiye at MoTI premises at the address: Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, B Blok Hakkı Turayliç Caddesi No:5 06490 Emek / Çankaya / Ankara / TÜRKİYE

Only two representatives of each tenderer will be allowed to participate in the tender opening session. Participants who will attend the opening session are requested to bring documents showing that they are representing the company/tenderer.

SELECTION CRITERIA

16. Selection criteria

Capacity-providing entities

An economic operator (i.e. candidate or tenderer) may, where appropriate and for a particular contract, rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. If the economic operator relies on other entities, it must in that case prove to the contracting authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for the performance of the contract by producing a commitment by those entities to place those resources at its disposal. Such entities, for instance the parent company of the economic operator relying on them and must comply with the selection criteria for which the economic operator relies on them. **Furthermore, the data for this third entity for the relevant selection criterion should be included in a separate document**. Proof of the capacity will also have to be provided when requested by the contracting authority.

With regard to 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.

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

The following selection criteria will be applied to candidates. In the case of requests to participate 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.

The candidate shall not use previous experience which caused breach of contract and termination by a contracting authority as a reference for selection criteria.

Lot No.1: Office-Use Equipment and Software

The selection criteria for each tenderer are as follows:

1) Economic and financial capacity (based on item 3 of the request to participate form, or on item 3 of supply tender form). In case of candidate being a public body, equivalent information should be provided. The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years for which accounts have been closed. Criteria for legal and natural person:

- The average annual turnover of the tenderer must exceed the financial proposal of the tender;
- If a tenderer is to be awarded several Lots, the average annual turnover must exceed the cumulative amount of the financial proposals for all those Lots.
- 2) Professional capacity (based on items 4 and 5 of the request to participate form for service contracts and on items 4 and 5 of the tender form for supply contracts). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years preceding the submission deadline. Criteria for legal and natural person:
 - At least 5 (five) staff currently working for the tenderer in fields related to the Lot.
 - If a tenderer is to be awarded several Lots, the staff number must exceed the cumulative staff number for all those Lots.
- 3) <u>Technical capacity</u> (based on items 5 and 6 of the request to participate form for service contracts and on items 5 and 6 of the tender form for supply contracts). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years from submission deadline.

The tenderer has delivered supplies (proportion carried out by the candidate) under at least <u>one</u> <u>contract</u> with a budget of at least **EUR 50.000** or at least <u>two contracts</u> with a budget of at least **EUR 25.000 each** in supply of Office Use Equipment and Software implemented during the reference period.

This means that the contract the candidate refers to could have been started at any time during the indicated period but it does not necessarily have to be completed during that period, nor implemented during the entire period. Candidates are allowed to refer either to projects completed within the reference period (although started earlier) or to projects not yet completed. Only the portion satisfactorily completed during the reference period will be taken into consideration. This portion will have to be supported by documentary evidence (statement or certificate from the entity which awarded the contract, proof of payment) also detailing its value. If a candidate has implemented the project in a consortium, the percentage that the candidate has successfully completed must be clear from the documentary evidence, together with a description of the nature of the services provided/supplies delivered if the selection criteria relating to the pertinence of the experience have been used.

Lot No.2: Information Systems

The selection criteria for each tenderer are as follows:

- 1) Economic and financial capacity (based on item 3 of the request to participate form, or on item 3 of supply tender form). In case of candidate being a public body, equivalent information should be provided. The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years for which accounts have been closed. Criteria for legal and natural person:
 - The average annual turnover of the tenderer must exceed the financial proposal of the tender
 - If a tenderer is to be awarded several Lots, the average annual turnover must exceed the cumulative amount of the financial proposals for all those Lots.
- 2) Professional capacity (based on items 4 and 5 of the request to participate form for service contracts and on items 4 and 5 of the tender form for supply contracts). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years preceding the submission deadline. Criteria for legal and natural person:
 - At least 5 (five) staff currently working for the tenderer in fields related to the Lot.

- If a tenderer is to be awarded several Lots, the staff number must exceed the cumulative staff number for all those Lots.
- 3) <u>Technical capacity</u> (based on items 5 and 6 of the request to participate form for service contracts and on items 5 and 6 of the tender form for supply contracts). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years from submission deadline.

The tenderer has delivered supplies (proportion carried out by the candidate) under at least <u>one</u> <u>contract</u> with a budget of at least **EUR 1.100.000** or at least <u>two contracts</u> with a budget of at least **EUR 550.000 each** in supply of Passenger/Transport Information Systems (including both hardware and software) related to the subject of the lot implemented during the reference period.

This means that the contract the candidate refers to could have been started at any time during the indicated period but it does not necessarily have to be completed during that period, nor implemented during the entire period. Candidates are allowed to refer either to projects completed within the reference period (although started earlier) or to projects not yet completed. Only the portion satisfactorily completed during the reference period will be taken into consideration. This portion will have to be supported by documentary evidence (statement or certificate from the entity which awarded the contract, proof of payment) also detailing its value. If a candidate has implemented the project in a consortium, the percentage that the candidate has successfully completed must be clear from the documentary evidence, together with a description of the nature of the services provided/supplies delivered if the selection criteria relating to the pertinence of the experience have been used.

Lot No.3: Traffic Modelling and Simulation

The selection criteria for each tenderer are as follows:

- 1) Economic and financial capacity (based on item 3 of the request to participate form, or on item 3 of supply tender form). In case of candidate being a public body, equivalent information should be provided. The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years for which accounts have been closed. Criteria for legal and natural person:
 - The average annual turnover of the tenderer must exceed the financial proposal of the tender
 - If a tenderer is to be awarded several Lots, the average annual turnover must exceed the cumulative amount of the financial proposals for all those Lots.
- 2) Professional capacity (based on items 4 and 5 of the request to participate form for service contracts and on items 4 and 5 of the tender form for supply contracts). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years preceding the submission deadline. Criteria for legal and natural person:
 - At least 5 (five) staff currently working for the tenderer in fields related to the Lot.
 - If a tenderer is to be awarded several Lots, the staff number must exceed the cumulative staff number for all those Lots.
- 3) <u>Technical capacity</u> (based on items 5 and 6 of the request to participate form for service contracts and on items 5 and 6 of the tender form for supply contracts). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years from submission deadline.

The tenderer has delivered supplies (proportion carried out by the candidate) under at least <u>one</u> <u>contract</u> with a budget of at least **EUR 75.000** or at least <u>two contracts</u> with a budget of at least **EUR 40.000 each** in supply of transport modelling or simulation software related to the subject of the lot implemented during the reference period.

This means that the contract the candidate refers to could have been started at any time during

the indicated period but it does not necessarily have to be completed during that period, nor implemented during the entire period. Candidates are allowed to refer either to projects completed within the reference period (although started earlier) or to projects not yet completed. Only the portion satisfactorily completed during the reference period will be taken into consideration. This portion will have to be supported by documentary evidence (statement or certificate from the entity which awarded the contract, proof of payment) also detailing its value. If a candidate has implemented the project in a consortium, the percentage that the candidate has successfully completed must be clear from the documentary evidence, together with a description of the nature of the services provided/supplies delivered if the selection criteria relating to the pertinence of the experience have been used.

17. Award criteria

N/A

21. Clarifications on the contract notice

Any request for clarifications must be made in writing through the F&T portal¹. This concerns request for clarifications about the contract notice and also request for clarifications about the content of the document called "Additional information to the contract notice." F&T portal login is required to be able to create and submit a question. Clarifications can be requested by clicking "Create a question" in the Questions & Answers section at the latest 21 days before the deadline for submission of requests to participate stated at section in the contract notice.

Clarifications will be published on F&T portal at the latest 8 days before the deadline for the submission of requests to participate. The website will be updated regularly and it is the candidate's responsibility to check for updates and modifications during the submission period.

22. Outcome of the evaluation

By submitting a request to participate candidates accept to receive notification of the outcome of the procedure by electronic means. Such notification shall be deemed to have been received on the date upon which the contracting authority sends it to the electronic address referred to in the request to participate form.

23. Alteration or withdrawal of requests to participate

Candidates may alter or withdraw their requests to participate by written notification prior to the deadline for submission of requests to participate. No requests to participate may be altered after this deadline.

Any such notification of alteration or withdrawal shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with precedent item. The outer envelope (and the relevant inner envelope if used) must be marked 'Alteration' or 'Withdrawal' as appropriate.

¹ <u>https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/home</u>