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INTERNATIONAL INVITATION FOR TENDERS (WORKS)

Georgia Transport Connectivity / Road Safety Improvement Project

GEORGIA

Georgia (the "Recipient") has been allocated grant funds (the "Grant") from the European Union (EU) which are administered by the European Investment Bank ("the Bank") and executed by the Roads Department of Georgia under the Ministry of Infrastructure of Georgia. This International Invitation for Tenders related to the contract for the **Construction/Rehabilitation Works for Road Safety Improvement Phase II - East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West (Lot III).**

The aim of the Georgia Transport Connectivity (GTC) - Georgia Road Safety Improvement Project is to improve road safety on the national roads network. Considering Georgia aspires to become a regional transport-transit hub at the center of East-West transit routes, the improvement of road safety on key high-risk corridors, located in the extended TEN-T networks will substantially contribute to the improvement of the regional integration while mitigating risks associated to road traffic.

The main output of the Project is to eliminate separate selected blackspots located along the extended TEN-T network in Georgia and improve the road safety. The main expected benefit is a decrease of road accidents in both number and severity. The civil works on the selected road sections (blackspots) will include specific physical safety improvements, complemented by awareness raising activities.

This Contract is expected to be implemented in 2026.

The basic criteria to be used in tender evaluation, are in decreasing order of importance:

1) **<u>Financial Requirements:</u>**

a) **Requirement-** Submission of audited financial statements or, if not required by the law of the Bidder's country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the **last 3 (three) years** (2022, 2023 and 2024) to demonstrate the current soundness of the Bidder's financial position. As a minimum, the Bidder's net worth for the last year, calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive.
   Compliance Requirements:
   Single Entity must meet requirement and in case of **Joint Venture (JV)**, **Each Partner** must meet requirement.

b) **Requirement-** Minimum average annual construction turnover of:
   - **East Georgia (Lot I): EUR 2,600,000 equivalent,**
   - **Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II): EUR 1,200,000 equivalent,**
   - **West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 500,000 equivalent,**
   - **Combined for East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 4,300,000 equivalent**

calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last 3 (three) years: 2022, 2023 and 2024 divided by 3 (three).

Compliance Requirements:
Single Entity must meet requirement and in case of JV, **All Partners Combined** must meet requirement, **Each Partner** must meet 20% of the requirement and **One Partner** must meet 40% of the requirement.

c) **Requirement -** The Bidder must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed the total requirement for the Subject Contract(s) of:

- **East Georgia (Lot I): EUR 600,000 equivalent,**
- **Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II): EUR 400,000 equivalent,**
- **West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 200,000 equivalent,**
- **Combined for East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 1,200,000 equivalent.**

Compliance Requirements:
Single Entity must meet requirement and in case of JV, **One Partner** must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its own current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed its required share of:

- **East Georgia (Lot I): EUR 240,000 equivalent,**
- **Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II): EUR 160,000 equivalent,**
- **West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 80,000 equivalent,**
- **Combined for East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 480,000 equivalent.**

from the total requirement for the Subject Contract
and **Each Partner** must demonstrate that its financial resources defined in FIN - 3, less its financial obligations for its own current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed its required share of:

- **East Georgia (Lot I): EUR 120,000 equivalent,**
- **Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II): EUR 80,000 equivalent,**
- **West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 40,000 equivalent,**
- **Combined for East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 240,000 equivalent.**

from the total requirement for the Subject Contract
and the Joint Venture must demonstrate that the combined financial resources of **All partners** defined in FIN - 3, less all the partners' total financial obligations for the current contract commitments defined in FIN - 4, meet or exceed the total requirement for the Subject Contract(s) of:

- **East Georgia (Lot I): EUR 600,000 equivalent,**
- **Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II): EUR 400,000 equivalent,**
- **West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 200,000 equivalent,**
- **Combined for East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West Georgia (Lot III): EUR 1,200,000 equivalent.**

2) **Construction Experience:**

a) **Requirement -** A minimum number of similar contracts specified below that have been successfully or substantially completed[1] as a prime contractor, joint venture member[2], management contractor or sub-contractor between 1st January 2020 and bid submission deadline:

East Georgia (Lot I): (i) 1 contract for paved roads construction/ reconstruction/modernization/rehabilitation which includes road safety activities with minimum value of EUR 1,300,000 equivalent.

Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II): (i) 1 contract for paved roads construction/ reconstruction/modernization/rehabilitation which includes road safety activities with minimum value of EUR 600,000 equivalent.

West Georgia (Lot III): (i) 1 contract for paved roads construction/ reconstruction/modernization/rehabilitation which includes road safety activities with minimum value of EUR 200,000 equivalent.

Combined for East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West Georgia (Lot III): (i) 1 contract for paved roads construction/ reconstruction/modernization/rehabilitation which includes road safety activities with minimum value of EUR 2,100,000 equivalent.

Compliance Requirements:
Single Entity must meet requirement and in case of JV, **All Partners Combined[3]** must meet requirement.

3) **Construction Experience in Key Activities:**

a) **Requirement-** For the above or other contracts executed during the period stipulated above, a minimum construction experience in the following key activities:
- At least
  - **East Georgia (Lot I): 2,040 m**

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[1] In addition to the submission requirement Form EXP – 1, the Bidder shall provide the following supporting documents:

The Employer will consider a "substantially completed contract" as one in which the works have been completed. To demonstrate the "substantially completed contract," the Bidder is request to submit the following supporting documents:

1. Signed Contract Agreement, and
2. Taking-Over Certificate, Certificate of Completion of the Works (or equivalent) or Performance Certificate,

in sufficient detail to verify the contract name, value and completion time (or substantial completion). If the documents are other than in English, an accurate certified translation of these documents in English shall be provided.]

[2] For contracts under which the Applicant participated as a joint venture member or sub-contractor, only the Applicant's share, by value, shall be considered to meet this requirement.

[3] In the case of JV, the value of contracts completed by its members shall not be aggregated to determine whether the requirement of the minimum value of a single contract has been met. Instead, each contract performed by each member contributing to meeting the requirement shall satisfy the minimum value of a single contract as required for single entity. In determining whether the JV meets the requirement of total number of contracts, only the number of contracts completed by all members each of value equal or more than the minimum value required shall be aggregated.

- **Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II): 650 m**
- **West Georgia (Lot III): 350 m**
- **Combined for East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West Georgia (Lot III): 3,040 m**

Installation of the guardrail in any two consecutive years between 1st January 2020 and bid submission deadline;[4]

- Construction of road pavement in the quantity of at least:
  - **East Georgia (Lot I): 23,800 m^2**
  - **Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II): 19,200 m^2**
  - **West Georgia (Lot III): 8,100 m^2**
  - **Combined for East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West Georgia (Lot III): 51,100 m^2**

  within 2 consecutive years between 1st January 2020 and bid submission deadline.

Compliance Requirements:
Single Entity must meet requirement and **JV** must meet requirement.

All firms are invited to participate in the tender in accordance with the EIB Guide to Procurement: https://www.eib.org/en/publications/20240132-guide-to-procurement-for-projects-financed-by-the-eib

Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from, and inspect the Bidding Documents at:

Attention: Ms. Salome Tsurtsumia, Deputy Chairperson of Roads Department of Georgia
Address: 12, Al. Kazbegi Ave. 0160 Tbilisi, Georgia
Emails: info@georoad.ge
ana.gogs@gmail.com

Interested companies that wish to obtain the Bidding Documents have an option to:

(i) Send their request on the emails indicated above requesting the provision of subject bidding documents and providing name of the interested company, contact details including the email and address. After checking and validating the request, the Bidding Documents will be sent to the indicated email address via Dropbox link. No responsibility will be accepted for the delivery failure;
(ii) Deliver their official written request in hand through an authorized representative to the address indicated above.

Bidders shall furnish a bid security. The amount and currency of the bid security shall be:

- For **East Georgia (Lot I): GEL 121,300** (One Hundred Twenty-One Thousand Three Hundred Georgian Lari), or its equivalent in a freely convertible currency.
- For **Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II): GEL 57,200** (Fifty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Georgian Lari), or its equivalent in a freely convertible currency.
- For **West Georgia (Lot III): GEL 22,000** (Twenty-Two Thousand Georgian Lari), or its equivalent in a freely convertible currency.

[4] May be complied with by specialist subcontractors. The employer shall require evidence of the subcontracting agreement from the bidder. A specialist subcontractor is a specialist enterprise engaged for highly specialized processes, which the main contractor cannot provide.

For purposes of determining the equivalent amount of the required Bid Security in other freely convertible currencies, the selling exchange rates published by the National Bank of Georgia prevailing on the date 28 days prior to the deadline for bid submission shall be applied.

Fulfilling the conditions indicated in the Bidding Documents must accompany all bids.

All bids must be delivered in closed envelopes bearing the mention **"Bid for the Construction/Rehabilitation Works for Road Safety Improvement Phase II - East Georgia (Lot I), Tbilisi Bypass (Lot II) and West (Lot III)"** no later than **20 July 2026** 15:00 local time at the following address: Room 413, IV floor, 12, Al. Kazbegi Ave. 0160 Tbilisi, Georgia. Bids will be opened immediately in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend.