

Specific Procurement Notice

Request for Bids Works (Without Prequalification)

Employer: Roads Department of Georgia under the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia

Project: Kakheti Connectivity Improvement Project (KCIP)

Contract title: CONSTRUCTION WORKS OF LOT 3 SAGAREJO - BADIURI SECTION FROM KM35+500 TO KM52+540

Country: Georgia

Loan No.: 9361-GE

RFB No: KCIP/CW/RFB-01

Issued on: July 20, 2022

1. The Government of Georgia has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kakheti Connectivity Improvement Project (KCIP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for CONSTRUCTION WORKS FOR LOT 3- SAGAREJO - BADIURI SECTION FROM KM35+500 TO KM52+540 OF TBILISI – BAKURTSIKHE – LAGODEKHI HIGHWAY (KAKHETI HIGHWAY).
2. The Roads Department of Georgia under the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia now invites Bids from eligible Bidders for these works. Implementation period for the execution of works is **30 months**. The Project's aim is to construct the 17-km section between Sagarejo and Badiauri, referred to as "LOT 3", of the Tbilisi – Bakurtsikhe – Lagodekhi highway (the "Kakheti highway"). LOT 3 will have a design speed of 120 km/ph, will traverse an alignment slightly to the south of the existing S5 road, and will comprise flexible pavement to accommodate eventual settlements. It will be constructed to a total width of 28m with hard shoulders and separated by a median. The section's design includes the construction of median-separated carriageways in each direction, comprising 2 lanes (7.5m wide) and a paved hard shoulder (2.5m), for a total width of 28m. The design further includes construction of one grade-separated interchange, located southeast of Badiauri. As flood risk mitigation and climate change adaptation measures, LOT 3 will comprise 4 bridges, including 2 highway bridges and 2 overpass bridges; approximately 94 box culverts; side drainage; elevated embankments, up to 8m in height, across most of its alignment; and flexible pavement to accommodate soil settlement. LOT 3 civil works will also include development of access roads that will connect the highway section to the existing road and local communities. The highway, structures, and all access roads will be constructed to climate resilient international standards.

3. Bidders shall meet the following minimum qualification criteria to qualify for award of the contract:
 - a. The Bidder shall demonstrate that it has access to, or has available, liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and other financial means (independent of any contractual advance payment) sufficient to meet the construction cash flow requirements estimated as **USD \$ 10,000,000 (Ten Million United States Dollars)** for the subject contract(s) net of the Bidder's other commitments.
 - b. Minimum average annual construction turnover of **US\$ 80,000,000 (Eighty Million United States Dollars)**, calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress and/or completed within the last 5 (*five*) years.
 - c. A minimum number of similar contracts specified below that have been satisfactorily and substantially completed as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor or Subcontractor between **1st January 2017 and bid submission deadline**: (i) 1 contract with minimum value of **USD 80,000,000 (Eighty Million United States Dollars)** equivalent Or (ii) 2 contracts, each of minimum value **USD 40,000,000 (Forty Million United States Dollars)** equivalent, but with total value of all contracts equal or more than **USD 80,000,000 (Eighty Million United States Dollars)** equivalent.
 - d. As prime contractor, joint venture member, or Subcontractor between **1st January 2017** and Bid submission deadline, a minimum construction experience in the following key activities successfully completed
 - a) *in any 12 months continuous period*:
Road Asphalt Pavement - 215,000 m²;
 - b) *in any 24 months' consecutive period*:
Earthworks - 2,245,000 m³;
Transport Bridge Construction with aggregate Bridge Deck of - 2,850 m²;
 - e. As prime contractor, joint venture member, or Subcontractor between **1st January 2017** and Bid submission deadline, experience in managing ES risks and impacts in the following aspects: *Implementation of **Environmental and Social Management Plans** under highway construction contracts.*
4. Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers - Procurement in Investment Projects Financing" *dated November 2020, Fourth Edition* ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

5. A complete set of bidding documentation in English language in electronic format can be downloaded for free.
6. Bids shall be submitted electronically as outlined in ITB 22.1. Late bids will not be accepted. Deadline for electronic bids submission is: as stated in the State E-procurement System (<http://tenders.procurement.gov.ge/public/?go=467529&lang=en>).
7. Bidders shall indicate bid price in electronic field in Georgian E-Government Procurement System, failing to do so, will result in rejection of such bid.
8. Bid opening will take place electronically using Georgian E-Government Procurement System. The Minutes of the Bid Opening will be uploaded in the E-Procurement System following the bid opening.
9. A Bid Security shall be required. The amount and currency of the Bid Security shall be **GEL 4,500,00,000 (Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Georgian Lari)** or equivalent in any freely convertible currency.
In case if Bid Security will be submitted in any currency other than Georgian Lari, the exchange rate published by National Bank of Georgia (www.nbg.gov.ge) shall be used. The date for the exchange rate shall be: 28 days prior to the deadline of bid submission.
The bidders shall upload the scanned copy of the bid security as part of their bids in the Georgian E-Government Procurement System.
The Original Bid Security, the scanned copy of which is already submitted as part of bid within the bid submission deadline, shall be delivered within the following timeframe: no later than 10 business days from the bid submission deadline in original form to the following address of the Employer:

Roads Department of Georgia under the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia
Attention: Ms. Salome Tsurtsunia, Deputy Chairperson
Address: 12, Al. Kazbegi Ave
City: Tbilisi
ZIP Code: 0160
Country: Georgia

NOTE: Due to belated delivery of the Original Bid Security, the Bid shall be rejected by the Employer as non-responsive.
10. Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.

11. Supplementary Information:

- Instruction for registration on the E-Procurement System can be found on the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hQak4jPorj4&feature=youtu.be>
- Instruction for bidding on the E-Procurement System can be found on the following link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9O3W8_WiDgg&feature=youtu.be