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INTERNATIONAL INVITATION FOR TENDERS (WORKS)

Georgia Transport Connectivity II

GEORGIA

Georgia (hereafter referred to as "the Borrower") has received a loan from the European Investment Bank - EIB (hereafter referred to as "the Bank") - towards the cost of the Georgia Transport Connectivity II Project. This International Invitation for Tenders relates to the contract for Construction of Algeti-Araflo (Lot III) and Araflo-Sadakhlo (Lot IV).

This contract will include the new construction of the section from Algeti to Araflo (Lot III) being approximately 13.0 km long and Araflo to Sadakhlo at the Armenian border (Lot IV) being approximately 16.3 km long. The section starts at the Algeti interchange from which branches the section to Sadakhlo at the Armenian border, Lots III and IV. The road will be four-lane grade separated motorway designed according to TEM standards. The road configuration is constructed with the rigid pavement width of 22~ 25m average with hard shoulder. The road drainage system is provided in the middle of the road section. The motorway is 4x3.75m width with hard shoulder of 2.5m wide. The lighting system is designed on the median. The design speed is 120 km/ph. 4m wide median with New Jersey Barriers is planned for the entire stretch of the project. Asphalt concrete pavement is used on bridges, overpasses, and access road connections. Lots III and IV have two bridges each and also two grade separated intersections each.

The Civil Works are expected to be implemented between 2025-2027.

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 confirmed by the relevant government authority/body (in English with Apostille Stamp), for the last ***3 (three) years*** (2021, 2022 and 2023) 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:
- Lot III: EUR 39,000,000 (Thirty-Nine Million) equivalent,
- Lot IV: EUR 38,000,000 (Thirty-Eight Million) equivalent,
- Combined for Lot III and Lot IV: EUR 77,000,000 (Seventy-Seven Million) equivalent,

calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last 3 (three) years: 2021, 2022 and 2023 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:
   - Lot III: EUR 6,400,000 (Six Million Four Hundred Thousand) equivalent,
   - Lot IV: EUR 6,300,000 (Six Million Three Hundred Thousand) equivalent,
   - Combined for Lot III and Lot IV: EUR 12,700,000 (Twelve Million Seven Hundred Thousand) equivalent.

   Compliance Requirements:
   Single Entity must meet requirement and in case of JV, **All Partners Combined** must meet requirement, **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:
   - Lot III: EUR 1,280,000 (One Million Two Hundred Eighty Thousand) equivalent,
   - Lot IV: EUR 1,260,000 (One Million Two Hundred Sixty Thousand) equivalent,
   - Combined for Lot III and Lot IV: EUR 2,540,000 (Two Million Five Hundred Forty Thousand) equivalent

   from the total requirement for the Subject Contract; and **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:
   - Lot III: EUR 2,560,000 (Two Million Five Hundred Sixty Thousand) equivalent,
   - Lot IV: EUR 2,520,000 (Two Million Five Hundred Twenty Thousand),
   - Combined for Lot III and Lot IV: EUR 5,080,000 (Five Million Eighty Thousand) equivalent

   from the total requirement for the Subject Contract.

2) **<u>Construction Experience:</u>**

a) **Requirement -** A minimum number of similar contracts specified below that have been successfully[1] or substantially completed as a prime contractor, joint venture member[2], management contractor or sub-contractor between 1st January 2017 and bid submission deadline:

   <u>Lot III:</u>
   (i) 1 contract with minimum value of EUR 31,000,000 (Thirty-One Million) equivalent, or
   (ii) 2 contracts with a combined value of EUR 31,000,000 (Thirty-One Million) equivalent out of which one should be of at least EUR 21,700,000 (Twenty-One Million Seven Hundred Thousand)

   <u>Lot IV:</u>
   (i) 1 contract with minimum value of EUR 30,000,000 (Thirty Million) equivalent, or

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[1] in case the amount of the total payments under the contract equals or exceeds 90% of the contract amount, the contract will be considered to be substantially completed

[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.

(ii) 2 contracts with a combined value of EUR 30,000,000 (Thirty Million) equivalent out of which one should be of at least EUR 21,000,000 (Twenty-One Million)

Combined for Lot III and Lot IV:
(i) 1 contract with minimum value of EUR 61,000,000 (Sixty-One Million) equivalent, or
(ii) 2 contracts with a combined value of EUR 61,000,000 (Sixty-One Million) equivalent out of which one should be of at least EUR 42,700,000 (Forty-Two Million Seven Hundred Thousand).

The similarity of the Bidder's participation shall be based on the physical size, nature of works, complexity, methods, technology or other characteristics as described in Section 6, Employer's Requirements.

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 in above, a minimum construction experience in the following key activities:

- At least:
  - Lot III: 2 000 m2
  - Lot IV: 1 800 m2
  - Combined for Lot III and Lot IV: 3 800 m2

  of road bridge deck in any two consecutive years between 1st January 2017 and bid submission deadline[4];
- Construction of road concrete pavement in the quantity of at least:
  - Lot III: 146 000 m2
  - Lot IV: 180 000 m2
  - Combined for Lot III and Lot IV: 326 000 m2

  within 2 consecutive years between 1st January 2017 and bid submission deadline
- Earthworks in the quantity of at least:
  - Lot III: 1 600 000 m3
  - Lot IV: 1 300 000 m3
  - Combined for Lot III and Lot IV: 2 900 000 m3

  within 2 consecutive years between 1st January 2017 and bid submission deadline.

Compliance Requirements:

Single Entity must meet requirement and in case of JV, **All Partners Combined** must meet requirements.

[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.

[4] May be complied with by specialist subcontractors. The employer shall require evidence of the subcontracting agreement from the bidder.

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
n.papunidi@gmail.com
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 Lot III: 2,400,000 GEL (Two Million Four Hundred Thousand Georgian Lari), or its equivalent in a freely convertible currency,
- For Lot IV: 2,350,000 GEL (Two Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Georgian Lari), or its equivalent in a freely convertible currency.

For the purpose of determining the equivalent amount of the required Bid Security in a freely convertible currency, the exchange rates published by the National Bank of Georgia (www.nbg.gov.ge) prevailing on the date 35 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 of Algeti-Araflo (Lot III) and Araflo-Sadakhlo (Lot IV)" no later than 14 November, 2024 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.