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Invitation for Tenders

This Invitation for Tenders follows the latest update of the General Procurement Notice for this project which was published on the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank) website, Procurement Notices (www.ebrd.com) on **June 27th, 2018**.

The Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure, represented by the State Road Administration, hereinafter referred to as “the Employer”, intends using part of the proceeds of a loan from the Bank towards the cost of Rehabilitation of R14 Bălți – Sărăteni Road, km 26+600 -km 38+300 and Rehabilitation of R14 Bălți – Sărăteni Road, km 43+000 -km 61+000 and bridge at km 64+756 (which according to the new classification approved by the Government shall bear the name in the Contract as **Rehabilitation of Lot 1: R6 Chisinau-Orhei-Balti Road km 99+530 – km 111+230 and Lot 2: R6 Chisinau-Orhei-Balti Road km 76+700 – km 94+700 and bridge at km 72+944**).

The Employer now invites sealed tenders from contractors for the following Contracts to be funded from part of the proceeds of the loan:

Rehabilitation of R14 Bălți – Sărăteni Road (R6 Chisinau-Orhei-Balti Road)

- **Lot 1: RSP/W11/01: km 26+600 – km 38+300 (km 99+530 – km 111+230)**
- **Lot 2: RSP/W11/02: km 43+000 – km 61+000 and bridge at km 64+756 (km 76+700 – km 94+700 and bridge at km 72+944)**

Republican Road R14: Balti to Sarateni connects the city of Balti with the M2 Chisinau – Soroca road via Sîngerei. It forms part of two primary routes between Chişinău and Bălţi, the two largest cities in Moldova, and also provided significant regional and local connections.

The works are divided into two lots, which are to be performed concurrently and comprise:

Lot 1: Starting at km 26+600, at the western access road to Sîngerei, and continuing as the Sîngerei Bypass to km 38+300, at the eastern access to Sîngerei and the R18 to Floreşti. The principal element of the Works comprises the overlaying of the existing asphalt pavement and providing a third lane of carriageway along the whole length. Structural works include remedial works to a total of 4 bridges. Remedial works to combat landslides are also envisaged comprising the construction of a slide retaining structure.

The main works will consist of:

- Rehabilitation of 4 bridges;
- Slip remedial works;
- Relocation of Utilities;
- Some 183 000 m³ of earthworks;
- Some 160 000 m² Binder course of asphalt concrete M II, thickness 60 – 80 mm;
- Some 230 000 m² Wearing course of asphalt concrete, thickness 40 mm.

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The scope of works is estimated and mentioned for guidance only, as the final scope will be determined based on the measured quantities of implemented works.

The overall time for completion of the works under the Contract is 730 days. The Defect Notification Period is 365 days.

Lot 2: Starting after Copaceni village at km 43+000 and extending to the M2 Chisinau – Soroca road junction at km 66+657, but excluding the short section from km 61+000 to km 64+370. The principal element of the Works comprises the overlaying of the existing asphalt pavement and providing a third lane of carriageway along the whole length. Structural works comprise remedial works to a total of 6 bridges. Bridgeworks include replacement of bridge decks, headstocks and additional driven piles, embankment protection, waterproofing and expansion joints to bridge decks, new pavement, guardrail installation and general finishing works.

The main works will consist of:

- Rehabilitation of 6 bridges;
- Some 283,000 m³ of earthworks;
- Some 125,000 m² Binder course of asphalt concrete M II.
- Some 230,000 m² Wearing course of asphalt concrete, thickness 40 mm.

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The overall time for completion of the works under the Contract is 730 days. The Defect Notification Period is 365 days.

To be qualified for the award of a Contract, tenderers must satisfy the following minimum criteria:

- Minimum average annual construction turnover, calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last five (5) years.
 - Lot 1: EURO **23** million equivalents;
 - Lot 2: EURO **23** million equivalents;
 - Lot 1 & Lot 2: EURO **46** million equivalents.
- The Tenderer must demonstrate access to, or availability of, financial resources such as liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and other financial means, other than any contractual advance payments to meet the following cash-flow requirement:
 - Lot 1: EURO **3** million equivalents;
 - Lot 2: EURO **3** million equivalents;
 - Lot 1 & Lot 2: **6** million equivalents.
- Participation as a contractor or management contractor in at least one (1) contract per each lot within the last five (5) years, that have been successfully and substantially completed and that are similar to the proposed Works. The referred contract shall include:
 - Lot 1: Road construction works for flexible pavement including production and laying of asphalt concrete, bridge construction/rehabilitation, etc.;
 - Lot 2: Road construction works for flexible pavement, including production and laying of asphalt concrete, bridge construction/rehabilitation, etc.
- Successful experience as a contractor (prime or subcontractor) in the execution of at least **two (2)** contracts of a magnitude comparable to the proposed contract within the last **five (5)** years. The values of the referred contracts shall be not less than the equivalent of:
 - Lot 1: EURO **15** million equivalents;
 - Lot 2: EURO **15** million equivalents;
 - Lot 1 & Lot 2: **30** million equivalents.

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- Participation as a main contractor on one (1) contract of a similar magnitude. The values of the referred contracts shall be not less than the equivalent of:
 - Lot 1: EURO **15** million equivalents;
 - Lot 2: EURO **15** million equivalents;
 - Lot 1 & Lot 2: **30** million equivalents.
- Production and laying of asphalt concrete on a single contract in at least one (1) year in the past three (3) years at a rate not less than:
 - Lot 1: **21 000** tonnes/year;
 - Lot 2: **23 000** tonnes/year;
 - Lot 1 & Lot 2: **44 000** tonnes/year.
- Annual average asphalt concrete production and laying over the past five (5) years at a rate not less than:
 - Lot 1: **21 000** tonnes/year;
 - Lot 2: **23 000** tonnes/year;
 - Lot 1 & Lot 2: **44 000** tonnes/year.
- Bridge structural rehabilitation works on a single contract executed within the last three years at a rate of not less than:
 - Lot 1: **1 600** m²;
 - Lot 2: **3 500** m²;
 - Lot 1 & Lot 2: **5 100** m².
- Other qualification criteria with regard to personnel, equipment, JVCA as applicable, etc as detailed in the Tender Documents.

Tenderers may submit tenders for one or both lots. Each lot must be priced separately. Tenders for more than one lot may offer unconditional discounts and such discounts will be considered in the comparison of tenders.

Tendering for contracts to be financed with the proceeds of a loan from the Bank is open to firms from any country who, in order to receive the Tender Documents, any amendments or clarifications to the Tender Documents, should register by completing the Registration Form available at the following link: http://files.asd.md/Procurement/W11_01_02/Registration_Form.pdf

Completed Registration Form shall be submitted to Employer's Project Officer via fax or email provided below. Registration will be completed when a potential Tenderer receives a registration number from the Employer. The potential Tenderer may elect on the Registration Form to receive the Tender Documents or any amendments or clarifications to the Tender Documents, in the following manner:

- (i) free of charge via e-mail on submission of a request at the address below, and
- (ii) free of charge in electronic format at the address below.

All tenders must be accompanied by a tender security of

- Lot 1: EURO **450 000,00** or its equivalent in a convertible currency;
- Lot 2: EURO **450 000,00** or its equivalent in a convertible currency;
- Lot 1 & Lot 2: EURO **900 000,00** or its equivalent in a convertible currency.

Tenders must be delivered to the office at the address below on or before 10:00 am (Moldovan time) December 10, 2018, at which time they will be opened in the presence of those tenderers' representatives who choose to attend.

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The applicable procurement rules are the Bank's Procurement Policies and Rules (PP&R) which can be located at: <http://www.ebrd.com/news/publications/policies/procurement-policies-and-rules.html>

A register of potential tenderers who have obtained the tender documents may be inspected at the address below.

Prospective tenderers may obtain further information from the following office:

Attention: Mr. Serghei POLIȘCIUC, Deputy Director
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