



**REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA
LOCAL ROADS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

STATE ROAD ADMINISTRATION

CLARIFICATION DOCUMENT No. 1

**Answers to the Requests for Clarification received
from prospective Bidders**

Contract LRIP/W2/02:

**“Improvement Works on Corridor 8.3
L405 Road from R21 – Oniscani, km 0+000 to km 9+962”**

NCB No. LRIP/W2/02

Issued on May 16, 2019

1. Question

Reference to Section IV - Bidding Forms - Form FIN 3-1: Financial Situation and Performance, the last five year period for the submission of financial historic information is specified as between years of 2014-2018. Since the tenderer does not have financial audited balance sheet of 2018 due to the fact that audit progress of related documents not completed yet, the tenderer kindly ask the client to accept financial historic information of years 2013-2017. Please be informed that the tenderer will submit the 2018 audit report when completed and requested then by the client.

Answer 1:

In accordance with Bidding Documents, Section III - Evaluation and Qualification Criteria, p.3.1 (iii) „Financial Capabilities”, the bidder shall submit *„The audited balance sheets or, if not required by the laws of the Bidder’s country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the last 5 (five) years, demonstrating the current soundness of the Bidder’s financial position and indicating its prospective long-term profitability”*.

If the audited balance sheets for 2018 are not available, the bidder must submit the unaudited balance sheet, or submit in accordance with the law of the Bidder’s country, the preliminary version of the financial statements for 2018 year. Thus, the Bidder is allowed to submit the audited Balance sheets for years 2014-2017, and the preliminary unaudited Balance sheet for 2018 year. When completed and if requested by the Client, the Bidder will submit the Audit Report for 2018 year.

2. Question

In Section I - Instructions to Bidders - Clause 14. Bid Prices and Discounts - 14.7, it is written that all duties, taxes, and other levies payable by the Contractor under the Contract shall be included in the rates and prices and the total bid price submitted by the Bidder. On the other hand, in the summary table of Bill of Quantities, total value of works is shown without VAT. Please clarify the tenderer's understanding that VAT will not be included in the unit rates of items in Bill of Quantities. Please also state if any exemption is valid for the contract, such as custom duties.

Answer 2:

Please be informed that the Bid should not include VAT.

The tax exemption mechanism is provided in the Decision no. 246 of the Government of the Republic of Moldova from April 8th, 2010 “on the mechanism of application of fiscal and custom incentives for on-going technical and investment assistance projects governed by international treaties to which the Republic of Moldova is party.

Duties, taxes, and other levies payable by the Contractor under the Contract, or for any other cause shall not be included in the rates and prices and in the total Tender Price submitted by the tenderer and shall not be paid and/or reimbursed by the Employer. Fiscal incentives offered in accordance with Decision no. 246 of the Government of Moldova of April 8th, 2010 provide the Contractor with VAT exemption with the right to deduct, and respectively, exemption from excise duty, customs duties, fee for customs procedures and VAT exemption without the right to deduct.

3. Question

Reference to Section III - Evaluation and Qualification Criteria - Sub clause 3.1 Financial Capabilities, the Tenderer shall demonstrate sufficient financial resources estimated as 6,000,000.00 MDL for the contract. Please confirm that the tenderer may submit financial resource(s) to meet abovementioned estimated value at a foreign currency, i.e. Euro, US Dollars.



Answer 3:

In accordance with Bidding Documents, Section III - Evaluation and Qualification Criteria: „Wherever a Bidder is required to state a monetary amount, Bidders should indicate the **national currency of the Republic of Moldova, Moldovan Leu (MDL)**. If any amounts are in foreign currency, the equivalent national currency will be calculated using the rate of exchange specified by the bidder, in accordance with the Bidding Documents requirements.”

Exchange rates shall be taken from the publicly available source identified in the ITB 32.1. Any error in determining the exchange rates in the Bid may be corrected by the Employer.

4. Question

Reference to Section III - Evaluation and Qualification Criteria - 3.5 Key Personnel, a Setting out Engineer/Surveyor is required with a University Degree in Civil Engineering or equivalent Moldovan topographic surveying certificate. In our country and most of the countries, surveying/setting out is certified with a University Degree in Surveying and related departments. Please confirm that the tenderer may propose a Survey and/or Geomatics Engineer for the related position.

Answer 4:

In accordance with Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria, 3.5 Key Personal, for position Setting out Engineer / Surveyor, the following academic qualifications are required:

- University Degree in Civil Engineer or equivalent,
- Moldovan topographic surveying certificate is required.

We confirm that the bidder may propose a Survey and/or Geomatics Engineer for the related position.

In case the Setting out Engineer/Surveyor will be a local one (from Republic of Moldova), Moldovan topographic surveying certificate will be required.