INVITATION FOR TENDERS

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CONSULTING SERVICES

ROAD FEASIBILITY AND DETAILED DESIGN STUDIES FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF M1 CHISINAU-LEUSENI-ROMANIAN BORDER ROAD, KM 5+400 - KM 13+600

- 1. This invitation for Tenders follows the Specific Procurement Notice that appeared in Public Procurement Bulletin of Moldova, No.92 dated 16th November 2012.
- 2. The objective of the consulting services are:
 - (i) to carry out engineering, economic, environmental and social;
 - (ii) to carry out detailed engineering design,

for the reconstruction of M1 Chisinau-Leuseni-Romania border Road, km 5+400 km 13+600.

3. The study will be implemented in two stages and the designer will be required to undertake the following activities using best practices and advanced methods:

Stage I:

- Pre-design studies including traffic, hydrological, geotechnical, seismic, alignment, pavement, structural, drainage and safety studies;
- Preparation of an environmental and social impact assessment (ESIA) and environmental management plan (EMP) in accordance with local environmental requirements and with the World Bank safeguard policies;
- An initial assessment of resettlement and land acquisition requirements and preparation of a Resettlement Policy Framework (RSF) in accordance with World Bank Operational Policy 4.12 on Involuntary Resettlement;
- Financial and Economical analyses.

Stage II:

- Field surveys, investigations and tests;
- Preparation of preliminary designs, estimates of quantities and cost;
- Preparation of detailed design;
- Preparation of Drawings, Specifications, and Design Report.
- 4. The project scope is reconstruction and widening of abovementioned road section to 4 lanes, rearranging of existing intersections, upgrading the road section up to an appropriate standard to match current and future traffic demands. The designer shall also develop environmental and social impact mitigation plans in accordance with World Bank safeguard policies.
- 5. The State Road Administration now invites eligible tenderers to submit their Tenders for providing the abovementioned services. Interested tenderers shall provide information in accordance with Tender Documents' requirements indicating that they are qualified to perform the services. Firms may associate to enhance their qualifications, in which case the leading firm shall be indicated.
- 6. If the tenderer has been found by a judicial process or other official enquiry to have engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices, details of the basis for the outcome of such process or enquiry shall be provided with the Tender.

- 7. A tenderer will be selected in accordance with the national procurement procedures through Open Tendering in line with Law No. 96 dated 13 April, 2007 on Public Procurement.
- 8. The main qualification requirements regarding experience to be met by the tenderer are as follows:
 - a. at least 5 years of experience in similar consulting services;
 - b. successful experience as prime designer in providing at least one similar project of consulting services of the same nature and complexity in the last 2 years;
 - c. annual volume of similar consulting services shall be at least equal to the value of the consulting services to be performed.
- 9. Interested tenderers may obtain further information at the address below during office hours from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (local time).
- 10. A complete set of the Tender Documents (electronic or hard copy) in official language of the Republic of Moldova or in English may be purchased by interested tenderers upon payment of a non refundable tender participation fee of Two Hundred Leu (200 MDL) by bank transfer: IS "Administratia de Stat a Drumurilor"; 12A Bucuriei Street, MD 2004, Chişinău, CB "Banca de Economii" JSC, subs no. 1 Chişinău, BECOMD2X609, b/a 222450149802109, f/c1003600023559, VAT 050330, and submission of a bank payment voucher at the address: IS "Administratia de Stat a Drumurilor", Bucuriei str. 12A, MD 2004, office: 330. In case a tenderer chooses to receive via email electronic copy of the Tender Documents, the tenderer must submit in advance to the below email address the scanned electronic copy in PDF format of the bank payment voucher.
- 11. All documents related to the Tender shall be submitted in the official language of the Republic of Moldova. The documents provided by foreign tenderers shall be provided in the resident's state language with certified translations of all documents.
- 12. Tenders must be delivered to the address below by 26th December 2012, 10:00 a.m. (local time) in hard copy: one (1) original and one (1) copy. Tenders received after this time and date shall not be considered and will be returned unopened. Tenderers should be aware that distance and customs formalities may require longer than expected delivery time.
- 13. Received Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of tenderers' representatives who choose to attend, on 26th December 2012, 10:00 a.m. (local time), at IS "Administratia de Stat a Drumurilor", Bucuriei str. 12A, MD 2004, office: 400.
- 14. Tenders must remain valid for a period of 30 days after Tender opening and must be accompanied by a Tender Security, at the tenderer's option, either in the form of a bank transfer to aforementioned account or a Bank Guarantee issued by a local reputable bank acceptable for contracting authority in the amount of 1% of the Tender (offer) value, valid for 30 days beyond the Tender validity period.
- 15. After the award of contract, the successful tenderer must deliver to the contracting authority within 15 days after receiving Letter of Acceptance a Performance Security in amount of 5 % of the Tender (offer) value.

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