SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE
Request for Expression of Interest (Long Version)

Republic of Lebanon
Council for Development and Reconstruction
Kesrouane Waste Water Project
Consultancy Services for the Construction Supervision for
Ghazir Waste Water Treatment Plant and its related Sea Outfall at Tabarja
(Loans No. FI N° 24.916 and CLB – 1034)

The Government of Lebanon has received a loan from the European Investment Bank (EIB), and a loan from the Agence Française de Développement (AFD), toward the cost of implementation of the Kesrouane Waste Water Project. This project includes, among other components, the Design, Build and Operation of a Wastewater Treatment Plant, and the construction a Sea Outfall.

The Council for Development and Reconstruction (CDR), project's implementing agency on behalf of the Government of Lebanon, intends to apply part of the proceeds for the Construction Supervision Services for the works components described above, and aim, for this purpose, to pre-select six (6) qualified engineering consultants. Based on the results of this pre-qualification exercise, CDR will select those six candidates who, subsequently, will be invited to collect the Request for Proposals (RFP) documents and to submit proposals. The consultants will be selected hereby in accordance with the procedures set out in EIB’s “Guide to Procurement for projects financed by the EIB” (June 2011). The procurement procedure that will be followed is the Restricted International Procurement Procedure, as defined in this Guide to Procurement.

The service requested from the consultant is the supervision of the implementation of two (2) independent construction contracts, which are described below:

1) A Contract for the Design, Build and Operation (DBO) of a Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) in the town of Ghazir in Kesrouane district. The WWTP will use the Biological Aerated Filter (BAF) technology, and will have a treating capacity of 48,000 m³/day.

2) A Contract for the Construction of a Sea Outfall at Tabarja with the following characteristics: HDPE pipes, diameter 1000 mm, length around 1200 m, maximum depth around 65m below sea level.

The implementation period of the Construction of the above-mentioned Works (WWTP and Sea Outfall) are (36) months and (18) months respectively. The Construction will be followed by an Operation and Maintenance (O&M) period of Five (5) years. The implementation period
of the Services Contract shall be during this same period previously mentioned (the Construction Contracts) and will include, in addition to the supervision of the construction works, the supervision of the O&M. The construction and services contracts are expected to assigned by the mid of the year 2019 (Provisional date).

The CDR invites hereby eligible Consultants to indicate their interest in providing the Services described above. Interested Consultants should provide information indicating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services in a responsive way to the below listed requirements. Consultants may associate to enhance their qualifications. Name and nationality of the Lead Partner shall be specified.

The consultant should demonstrate that he has sufficient experience in the design and supervision of the construction of WWTPs of similar scale, type, and which use the Biological Aerated Filter process. Besides, the consultant should demonstrate that he has sufficient experience in the supervision of the construction of sea outfalls of similar scale, and type.

Experience in the following area or tasks is required for the assignment:

- Detailed design of Wastewater Treatment Plants with similar sizes, characteristics, and which use the Biological Aerated Filter process.
- Supervision of construction of Wastewater Treatment Plants with similar sizes, characteristics, and which use the Biological Aerated Filter process.

Interested Consultants are requested to provide the following information:

- A duly signed Cover Letter stating the Interest of the Applicant in providing the mentioned services.
- A general and concise presentation of the firm(s) (brochures, statements of type, property, and key tasks etc...).
- Certified statements and balance sheets showing financial capabilities (turnovers, assets, liabilities, lines of credit etc.), for the lead and associated partners, and for the last five years for each.
- Detailed descriptions of at least two (2) assigned similar Projects with similar Services completed within the last 15 years for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- Detailed descriptions of at least one (1) assigned similar Projects with similar Services for the Sea Outfall project completed within the last 15 years.
- A copy of the certificates issued by the private or public authority that awarded the projects and/or signed the contract above mentioned, stating the location, date, type and value of services that the applicant executed or participated in its execution. The said certificate should also state the contractual role of the applicant during the execution of the said services in addition to the name and address of the employer on behalf of whom the services were executed. This certificate shall be valid only if it mentions that the services have been provisionally accepted or if it is attached to the provisional acceptance
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certificate. The percentage of participation in the Joint Venture (JV) or consortiums, if any, should be indicated.

- List of available professional key personnel for the envisaged Services showing briefly their key qualifications and experiences.

- Overall number of the firm employees, list of available personnel and structure (number, list, organization structure etc. of the core, backstopping and supporting staff).

Eligible firms, which have submitted the necessary statements in a satisfactory responsive way, will be evaluated.

Eligibility

This EOI is open to consultants from any country. A Tenderer shall not be eligible to participate if it has been determined to have engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices. EIB’s “Anti-Money Laundering and Combating Financing of Terrorism Framework and AFD’s “General policy on Combating Corruption, Fraud, Anti-Competitive Practices, Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing” shall apply. These documents can be download respectively from the links below:

- http://www.afd.fr/webdav/shared/L_AFD/L_AFD_s_engage/documents/Politique_AFD_lutte_contre_corruption_VA.pdf

Pass / Fail Qualification Criteria

The Pass / Fail Qualification Criteria that the Employer shall use to evaluate the Applications are as follows:

I) General View of the firm: The firm shall have at least 60 full time staff members.

II) Financial Capabilities: Total annual turnover over 10 Million Euros during last 5 years.

II) Experiences:

- Supervision of the construction of at least two (2) assigned Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) projects with similar Services, among which, at least one WWTP that uses, for the treatment of Wastewater, the Biological Aerated Filters (BAF) technology

- Sea Outfall: Supervision of the construction of at least one (1) assigned similar Projects with similar Services (Sea Outfall, Underwater Pipeline, etc)
IV) Personnel for the Assignment: List of available professional key personnel for the envisaged Services showing briefly their key qualifications and experiences (Process Designer Engineer with experience in the design of Biological Aerated Filter process, Sea Outfall Expert, Civil Site Engineer, Electro-mechanical Engineer).

The six (6) Applicants who meet the eligibility criteria, following the evaluation of the applications will be prequalified, and will be invited afterward for proposals' submissions.

In case that more than six (6) consultants meet the prequalification criteria, the consultants who have demonstrated more experience will be selected. In case two or more consultants have the same amount of experience then the applicant who has higher total turnover during the last 5 years will be selected.

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.

Applicants’ requiring any clarification or further information may contact CDR at the address shown below during office working hours (from 8:00 to 13:00 Beirut local Time). All requests for clarification should be no later than Fifteen (15) days prior to the deadline for the submission of applications.

Applications will be opened in the presence of the Applicants’ representatives who choose to attend at the time and date below mentioned, at the offices of CDR.

Expression of Interest must be delivered to the address below not later than 12:00 noon, Beirut local time on **Monday January 28th, 2019**:

Council for Development and Reconstruction (CDR)

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Applications submitted to CDR should mention as reference: