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**Luxembourg-Luxembourg: EIB - Lake Victoria Water and Sanitation – Lenders' Supervisor
2014/S 136-243445**

SERVICE PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Location: Tanzania

1. **Reference code**
2014/S 115-201813 / TA2014046 TZ IF3
2. **Procedure**
International restricted tender
3. **Programme**
Cotonou Partnership Agreement
4. **Financing**
Bridging Facility of 11th European Development Fund under ACP-EC Partnership Agreement
5. **Contracting Authority**
European Investment Bank, 98-100, boulevard Konrad Adenauer, L-2950, Luxembourg, Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

CONTRACT SPECIFICATION

6. **Nature of contract**
Fee-based
7. **Contract description**
The LVWATSAN – Mwanza project covers the Tanzanian towns of Mwanza with 3 satellite communities, Musoma and Bukoba. EIB has allocated a EUR 45m loan as Lead Financier on an mutual reliance operation with AfD. It is associated with a significant TA envelope, comprising EUR 7m sourced from the EU Africa Infrastructure Trust Fund as well as envisaged funding from ACP Investment Facility, for project implementation support and enhanced monitoring on behalf of the financiers.
The Lenders' Supervisor will provide on-going, global and pro-active assessment of progress and risks under the respective financial and project agreements. In particular, the Lenders' Supervisor will ensure enhanced high level monitoring in the quality of designs and works, procurement and disbursements, and in the effectiveness of the overall decision-making chain.
The core team should be composed of a lenders' supervisor to be supported by an environmental and social specialist and a procurement expert.
8. **Number and titles of lots**
Not applicable.
9. **Maximum budget**
EUR 400,000
10. **Scope for additional services**
The Contracting Authority may, at its own discretion and subject to the availability of funding, extend the scope and duration of the project to cover complementary and/or additional services.

In case of complementary services, the extension shall be up to a maximum not exceeding 50% of the initial contract value. In case of additional services, such extension shall be up to a maximum not exceeding the length and value of the initial contract.

Any extension of the contract would be subject to satisfactory performance by the Contractor.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

11. Eligibility

Participation is open to all interested legal and natural persons - participating either individually or in a grouping (consortium) of candidates, without nationality restrictions. Participation is also open to international organisations.

12. Candidature

All eligible natural and legal persons (as per item 11 above) or groupings of such persons (consortia) may apply.

A consortium may be a permanent, legally-established grouping, or a grouping which has been constituted informally for a specific tender procedure. All members of a consortium (ie, the leader and all other members) are jointly and severally liable to the Contracting Authority.

The participation of an ineligible natural or legal person (as per item 11) will result in the automatic exclusion of that person. In particular, if that ineligible person belongs to a consortium, the whole consortium will be excluded.

13. Number of applications

No more than one application can be submitted by a natural or legal person whatever the form of participation (as an individual legal entity or as leader or member of a consortium submitting an application). In the event that a natural or legal person submits more than one application, all applications in which that person has participated will be excluded.

14. Shortlist alliances prohibited

Any tenders received from tenderers comprising firms other than those mentioned in the short-listed application forms will be excluded from this restricted tender procedure. Short-listed candidates may not form alliances or subcontract to each other for the contract in question.

15. Grounds for exclusion

As part of the application form, candidates must submit a signed declaration, included in the standard application form, to the effect that they are not in any of the exclusion situations listed in Section 2.3.3 of the Practical Guide to contract procedures for EC external actions.

16. Sub-contracting

Subcontracting is not allowed.

17. Number of candidates to be short-listed

On the basis of the applications received, between 4 and 8 candidates will be invited to submit detailed tenders for this contract. If the number of eligible candidates meeting the selection criteria is less than the minimum of 4, the Contracting Authority may invite the candidates who satisfy the criteria to submit a tender.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

18. Provisional date of invitation to tender

October 2014

19. Provisional commencement date of the contract

January 2015

20. Initial period of implementation of tasks and possible extension of the contract

The initial period of execution of the contract shall be of 60 months. This period may be extended, with the prior approval of the Contracting Authority. See also item 10 above.

SELECTION AND AWARD CRITERIA

21. Selection criteria

The following selection criteria will be applied to candidates. In the case of applications submitted by a consortium, these selection criteria will be applied to the consortium as a whole:

1) Economic and financial capacity of candidate (based on item 3 of the application form). In case of applicant being a public body, equivalent information should be provided.

Legal persons:

(a) The annual turnover (if the candidate is an individual company) or the average annual turnover (if the candidate is a consortium) of the candidate must be of at least EUR 300,000 for each of the last three years for which accounts have been closed.

Note to candidates: In the application form, please make sure to include the actual year for which the data is provided

2) Professional capacity of candidate (based on items 4 and 5 of the application form)

Legal persons:

(a) The number of the permanent staff of the candidate (individual company or consortium overall) currently working in fields related to this contract (as they are described in item 7 – “Contract Description” above), must be at least 5 for each of the last three years (2011, 2012, 2013).

Note to candidates: In the application form, please make sure to include the actual year for which the data is provided

3) Technical capacity of candidate (based on items 5 and 6 of the application form)

Legal persons:

(a) The candidate (individual company or consortium altogether) has implemented, during the last 5 years (2009 up to the deadline for the receipt of applications indicated under item 23 below), at least 3 project(s) of a minimum value of EUR 300,000 equivalent, with activities related to the monitoring of progress and risks under financial and project agreements in the water and sanitation sector, and should demonstrate that it had a participation of minimum 50% in each of the project(s) brought as reference.

Note to candidates: the projects referenced must have been completed before the deadline for the submission of applications. Where the projects referenced have been implemented by consortia comprising two or more of the members now associated as a consortium for this tender procedure, their respective percentages shall be added together, in order for the application to be assessed on the basis of the consortium as a whole

An economic operator may, where appropriate and for a particular contract, rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. It must in that case prove to the Contracting Authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for performance of the contract, for example by producing an undertaking on the part of those entities to place those resources at its disposal. Such entities, for instance the parent company of the economic operator, must respect the same rules of eligibility and notably that of nationality, as the economic operator.

If more than 8 eligible candidates meet the above selection criteria, the relative strengths and weaknesses of the applications of these candidates must be reexamined to identify the eight best applications for the tender procedure. The only factors which will be taken into consideration during this re-examination are, in order of precedence:

1) The number of projects brought as reference which comply with the requirements of criterion 3(a) above

22. Award criteria

Best value for money.

APPLICATION

23. Deadline for receipt of applications

The applications must be received by the Contracting Authority no later than 17:00 hrs. CET on 28/08/2014. Any application received after this deadline will not be considered.

24. Application format and details to be provided

Applications must be submitted using the standard application form (available at the following EIB web page: <http://www.eib.org/projects/regions/med/instruments/technical-assistance/procurement/index.htm>), whose format and instructions must be strictly observed.

Any additional documentation (brochure, letter, etc) sent with an application will not be taken into consideration.

25. How applications may be submitted

Applications must be submitted in English exclusively to the Contracting Authority:

- EITHER by recorded delivery (official postal service) to :

European Investment Bank (EIB), Mr Stefan Kerpen, Head of Technical Assistance Unit, OPS/ASD/Technical Assistance Unit (TAU), 100 boulevard Konrad Adenauer, L-2950 Luxembourg

- OR hand delivered (including courier services) to:

European Investment Bank (EIB), Mr Stefan Kerpen, Head of Technical Assistance Unit, OPS/ASD/Technical Assistance Unit (TAU), 100 boulevard Konrad Adenauer, L-2950 Luxembourg

The Contract title and the Reference code (see item 1 above) must be clearly marked on the envelope containing the application and must always be mentioned in all subsequent correspondence with the Contracting Authority.

Applications submitted by any other means will not be considered.

26. Alteration or withdrawal of applications

Candidates may alter or withdraw their applications by written notification prior to the deadline for submission of applications. No application may be altered after this deadline.

Any such notification of alteration or withdrawal shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with Item 25.

The outer envelope (and the relevant inner envelope if used) must be marked 'Alteration' or 'Withdrawal' as appropriate.

27. Operational language

All written communications for this tender procedure and contract must be in English.

28. Additional information

The company in charge of the lenders' supervision has to be independent. Therefore, the company that will be awarded the Lenders' Supervisor contract will not be able to be awarded any other contract related to the Lake Victoria Water and Sanitation project.

29. Date of publication of contract forecast

18/06/2014

30. Legal basis

ACP-EC Partnership Agreement signed in Cotonou on 23 June 2000, as amended, and Council Regulation 2013/759/EU of 12 December 2013 regarding transitional EDF management measures from 1 January 2014 until the entry into force of the 11th European Development Fund.