MOLDOVA RURAL CONNECTIVITY PROJECT- P180153

STATE ROAD ADMINISTRATION

CLARIFICATION DOCUMENT No.1

Answers to the Requests for Clarification received from Consultants on the Invitation for Expression of Interest

Consulting Services for Construction Supervision of:

The Rehabilitation of Corridor 8 "Cornesti-Boghenii Noi-Napadeni-M5 and G86:G88-Dereneu-G85":

Lot 1: G88: Cornești – Boghenii Noi – Năpădeni – M5, km 0+00 – km 16+200 Lot 2: section 2.1: G88: Cornești – Boghenii Noi – Năpădeni – M5, km 16+200 – km 25+090, and section 2.2: G86: G88–Dereneu–G85, km 0+00 - km 8+395.

(client's reference MRCP/CS/C8/01)

Question 1

"Could you please let us know if we must send an Expression of Interest for each of the two lots of the procedure, or only one Expression of Interest for both lots (the whole procedure)?"

Answer

"The Consultant need to submit an Expression of Interest covering both lots of the procedure Consulting Services for Construction Supervision of Corridor 8."

Question 2

"Request your confirmation on whether it is acceptable to submit the Expression of Interest in PDF format via email only, or if submission of a hard copy is mandatory."

Answer

"According to the Request for Expressions of Interest (REoI), Expressions of Interest must be delivered to SRA either by email or in person (in the hard copy, placed in an envelope, one original and one copy and one electronic copy on memory stick)."

Question 3

"We would be grateful if you could kindly provide us with the list of local consultants registered with the SRA for potential Joint Venture or sub-consultancy arrangements."

Answer

"We do not keep register of the local firms in a sense deemed in your message. We afford full discretion in partnerships formation to the participating firms and refrain from influencing that process in any form."

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"Could you please confirm whether supporting documents such as Performance Certificates and Taking Over Certificates for references may be included as annexes without being counted towards the 40-page limit? Alternatively, would it be acceptable to increase the total page count to 70 pages to accommodate these documents?"

Answer

"Confirm that the supporting documents will not be counted for the page limit of the EOI."

Question 5

"We would appreciate your clarification on whether Turkey could be considered among the "similar locations" listed in the EOI evaluation criteria. Given Turkey's geographic proximity, sectoral relevance, and extensive experience in similar infrastructure projects, we believe its inclusion may be reasonable."

Answer

"We invite you to submit your EoI based on the criteria stated in the notice."

Question 6

"Please explain the phrase "own input" within the requirement below:

• at least 1 successfully completed project during the last 10 years in supervision of works under FIDIC conditions of contract (Red Book) 1st edition 1999 or 2nd edition 2017 (with amendments) and 1 completed project as per the World Bank's Small Works Conditions of Contract with a minimum amount of 50% **own input**."

Answer

"The requirement of a minimum of 50% **own inputs** refers to the direct contribution/involvement of the Consultant in the said project (excluding the involvement of partners, if any, or sub-consultants)."

Question 7

"The page limit for the submission is set at a maximum of 40 pages. In this regard, we would like to We humbly seek one additional clarification regarding the submission. As we are submitting this EOI in association with our esteemed Joint Venture partner, we have observed that the project reference format begins with "1 of 10." We would be grateful if you could kindly confirm whether the limit of 10 project references is to be considered collectively for the entire JV, or if each JV member is permitted to submit up to 10 project references individually."

Answer

"Please note that in the case of a Joint Venture (JVCA), project references should be submitted collectively. Specifically, only those assignments, successfully and substantially² (at least 80%) completed either alone or as a JVCA member with a minimum participation of 50% during project implementation over the last 10 years, starting 1st of January 2015 at the deadline for submission of the EoI, will be considered eligible.

Therefore, if you (and your JV partner) have experience in more than 10 projects that complies with all the above indicated requirements, you may indicate them."

¹ The evidence of successful completion will be considered when provided a Taking-Over Certificate or equivalent acceptable to the Employer.

² Ongoing contracts will be considered substantially completed only if by the said cut-off date, the main supervision activities have been completed by the Consultant and the taking over certificate for the works supervised have been issued. Contracts on which the main supervision activities are still ongoing will not be considered.