



INVITATION FOR TENDERS

REHABILITATION OF CHAIRA PUMPED STORAGE HYDRO POWER PLANT

This Invitation for Tenders follows the General Procurement Notice (Ref. 8528-GPN-17149) for this project, which was published in *Procurement Opportunities* on the EBRD's web site (www.ebrd.com) on 29 May 2015 and most recently updated on 16 January 2017.

NATSIONALNA ELEKTRICHESKA KOMPANIA EAD (NEK, the Employer) has received grant funds from Kozloduy International Decommissioning Support Fund (KIDSF), administered by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD or the Bank) towards the cost of Rehabilitation of Belmeken – Sestrimo – Chaira Hydro Complex and Rehabilitation of Vacha-1 HPP 110 kV switchyard and other HPP system of integrated control (the Project).

The Employer now invites sealed tenders from contractors for the following contract for Supply and Installation of Plant and Equipment to be funded from part of the proceeds of the KIDSF grant and Employer's own funds:

Rehabilitation of Chaira Pumped-Storage Hydro Power Plant

Subject of the current tender are all activities and components of the engineering service such as design, manufacture, delivery, dismantling, repair-restoration, installation, designer supervision, adjustment, testing and commissioning of the Facilities: turbine equipment, turbine governor, plant control and monitoring system, relay protections, unit excitation system, vibration monitoring and analyses system of the units, 19 kV switchgears for generator/motor and nodal 19 kV switchgears, technical water supply pumps, electric energy metering systems, ventilation systems, common auxiliary equipment and materials.

To be qualified for the award of a Contract, Tenderers and Manufacturers and Subcontractors must satisfy the minimum qualifying criteria set forth in Section I.ii of the Tender Documents.

The procurement for the Contract to be financed with the proceeds of the KIDSF grant and Employer's own funds will be carried out in accordance with EBRD Procurement Policies and Rules.

Tendering for the contract is open to firms from all countries. The proceeds of the grant will not be used for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations.

Tender documents may be obtained from the address below upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **two hundred (200) EURO** or equivalent in BGN to the following account:

UniCredit Bulbank AD
Bulgaria, 1000 Sofia, 7 Sveta Nedelya Sq.
IBAN: BG20 UNCR 7630 1403 1130 28 (EURO)
IBAN: BG61 UNCR 7630 1003 1130 02 (BGN)
SWIFT (BIC): UNCRBGSF

VAT is included in the fee for tender documents. Each tenderer, upon payment of this amount through a bank transfer, shall send to the contact person given below, either by e-mail or by fax, a copy of the payment order.

Upon request, the documents will be promptly dispatched by courier upon evidence of payment of the amount mentioned above, but no liability can be accepted for loss or late delivery.

Pre-tender meeting and site visit will take place on **5 February 2018, 8:30 h.**

A two stage tender procedure will be adopted and will proceed as follows:

- (a) the First Stage tender will consist of a technical proposal only, without any reference to prices, and a list of any deviations to the technical and commercial conditions set forth in the tender documents or any alternative technical solutions a tenderer wishes to offer, and a justification therefor, provided always that such deviations or alternative solutions do not change the basic objectives of the project. Following evaluation by the Employer of the First Stage tenders, the Employer will invite each tenderer who meets the qualification criteria and who has submitted a technically responsive tender to a clarification meeting. The proposals of all such tenderers will be reviewed at the meeting and all required amendments, additions, deletions and other adjustments will be noted and recorded in a Memorandum. Only qualified tenderers submitting a technically responsive and acceptable First Stage tender will be invited to submit a Second Stage tender.
- (b) the Second Stage tender will consist of an updated technical tender incorporating all changes required by the Employer as recorded in the Memorandum to the clarification meeting or as necessary to reflect any amendments to the tender documents issued subsequent to submission of the First Stage tender; and the commercial tender.

First Stage tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before **14:00 h. on 23 April 2018** at which time they will be opened in the presence of the tenderers' representatives who wish to attend.

All Second Stage tenders must be accompanied by a Tender Security of **four hundred and sixty thousand (460,000) EURO** and must be delivered to the address below on or before the time and date of the submission deadline specified in the Letter of Invitation to submit Second Stage tenders, at which time they will be opened in the presence of the tenderers' representatives who wish to attend.

Prospective tenderers may obtain further information from, and inspect and acquire the tender documents at, the following office:

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