COUNCIL OF EUROPE DEVELOPMENT BANK

CALL FOR TENDERS

MAY 2014

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE PREPARATION OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE CLINIC FOR GYNAECOLOGY AND OBSTETRICS AND THE PSYCHIATRIC CLINIC WITHIN THE CLINICAL CENTRE OF MONTENEGRO IN PODGORICA FIP 17454 / SCA 15

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF OFFERS: 24 June 2014, NOON.

1. Assignment

Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB) is issuing a call for tenders to provide assistance to Montenegro for the provision of Consultancy Services for the preparation of construction of the Clinic for Gynaecology and Obstetrics and the Psychiatric Clinic within the Clinical Centre of Montenegro in Podgorica. The assignment is financed from the Spanish Social Cohesion Account (SCA).

Background

The healthcare system in Montenegro is based predominantly on state health institutions, complemented by facilities in private ownership. The public sector is organised around three main regions – the capital city Podgorica, the northern region (Berane) and the southern region (Bar) – through a network of institutions:

- At primary healthcare level, through 18 Primary Healthcare Centres (PHCs),
- At secondary healthcare level, through 7 General Hospitals (GHs) and 3 Specialist Hospitals (SH),
- At tertiary healthcare level, through the Clinical Centre of Montenegro (CCMNE) in Podgorica, the only tertiary healthcare facility in the country.

In the health sector, the Government issued a specific Master plan¹ as well as a Strategy² to improve governance in the healthcare system through reforming the secondary and tertiary healthcare levels. The Master plan provides recommendations for efficient, rational and sustainable development of the healthcare system, creating conditions for integration into the European Union (EU). The Strategy aims at improving quality and safety of healthcare, and optimizing the hospital sector in order to rationalize utilization of available resources and obtain savings to be reinvested in the healthcare system. As a result the Strategy recommends restructuring the model of organization of health institutions by integrating service provisions, and therefore proposes merging PHCs, GHs and SHs, resulting in the establishment of 8 Healthcare Centres (HCs).

The so far reforms have been supported/financed mainly through the WB loans and EC assistance. The lack of financial resources and maintenance for a long period of time resulted into obsolete infrastructure, outdated and out of order medical equipment with consequences on quality of medical services provided in most of the health provider institutions (HPIs) in Montenegro. Thus, reaching the objective of improving and modernizing the healthcare system within well-defined budgetary constraints is particularly difficult.

the Gynaecology and Obstetrics Clinic (GOC) and the Psychiatric Clinic are both currently hosted in obsolete facilities at the Clinical Centre in Podgorica; the construction of new separate and dedicated buildings would enable a far better provision of services (currently well below basic European standards) and thus impact positively the health of Montenegrin population. The GOC is located in a wing of the main CCMNE building, on two separate floors. Some basic rules of hygiene and functioning for this type of services are not respected, due mainly to the fact that the facility was not specifically designed for it. The results achieved are considerable despite the difficult working conditions. The Psychiatric Clinic is hosted in a 100-year old temporary accommodation, which was damaged recently during a storm. The physical integrity of the building is in question and the facility is absolutely not adequate for the purpose (lack of space resulting in absence of segregation between gender and types of pathology, only one sanitary facility shared between all patients, etc.).

¹ Development of healthcare system of Montenegro 2010 – 2013', Ministry of Health of Montenegro, 2010.

² 'Strategy for optimization of secondary and tertiary healthcare levels with implementation action plan', Ministry of Health of Montenegro, June 2011.

Assignment description

The MoH of Montenegro requested Technical Assistance (TA) for preparation of this Project. The assignment intends to review the existing situation, prepare a Feasibility Report for the construction of the clinics, as well as assist the authorities in building adequate institutional capacity to manage the Project. The Feasibility report will represent basis for the Montenegro Loan Application in 2014.

B u d g e t A maximum indicative budget of € 140,000 is envisaged for the entire assignment, out of which €14,750 is planned for contingency. The use of the contingency is subject to prior approval by the CEB based on a justified request by the Consultant.

Duration The term of engagement is 6 months, commencing in July 2014. The engagement may be extended for an additional period and an additional budget equal to the original budget, if there are additional services or new needs identified upon completion of the assignment, at the discretion of CEB.

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2. Provisional timetable

Publication Date

Deadline for request for any clarifications from the CEB

Last date on which clarifications are issued by the CEB

Deadline for submission of tenders

Completion date for evaluation of offers

Notification of award

Contract signature

20 May 2014

3 June 2014 Midnight

24 June 2014

Noon

27 June 2014

1 July 2014

4. Pre-qualification criteria

PQQ Evaluation Criteria	PQQ Sub-Criteria	Weighting	PQQ Cross Reference
Economic and Financial Capacity Staff Resources	Turnover	Minimum 400 000 EUR/year in 2011, 2012 and 2013	Section 3
	Staff numbers	Minimum 4 permanent staff	Section 4
Experience	Projects in the fields related to this contract	Minimum 5 projects equal or bigger to 200 000 EUR in fields of design, preparation and /or management of construction of social infrastructure (healthcare facilities, education facilities, public administrative buildings, etc.) in the last 8 years.	Section 5

5. How to obtain the tender documentation?

Companies interested in this tender should write to the Procurement Department of the CEB by email to the address procurement@coebank.org before the 10 June 2014, 17.00 hours indicating

^{*} All times are in the time zone of Paris, France

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in the subject of the email the reference to the publication of this call for tenders. The CEB Procurement Department will then forward the tender package including Terms of Reference, Instructions to Tenderers and all necessary forms.

6. Content of the offer

The Applicant (in case of a joint application, each consortium member) shall provide the Statement of Integrity (Enclosure 3) duly completed and signed.

The Applicant shall complete the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (Annex 3) and submit it, together with any requested supporting information in a sealed envelope marked *PRE-QUALIFICATION QUESTIONNAIRE*.

The applicant shall submit and offer according to the enclosed template (Annex 3) and submit it in a sealed envelope marked *TECHNICAL OFFER*.

The applicant shall submit a financial offer with its best price according to the enclosed template (Enclosure 1b) in a sealed envelope marked *FINANCIAL OFFER*.

All documents shall be in English.

7. Additional information, questions before the deadline.

No additional information will be provided. Any potential bidders that would like to ask questions about this tender should do it in writing by email to procurement@coebank.org, indicating in the subject of their message "CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE PREPARATION OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE CLINIC FOR GYNAECOLOGY AND OBSTETRICS AND THE PSYCHIATRIC CLINIC WITHIN THE CLINICAL CENTRE OF MONTENEGRO IN PODGORICA. FIP 17454 / SCA 15".

Any questions related to this tender should arrive by the 3 June 2014, midnight. Questions that arrive later than this will not be answered.

CEB will provide answers to the questions at the latest by 10 June 2014, by publishing updates to this notice in the procurement section of the website of CEB (www.coebank.org).

8. Acceptance and rejection of bids

CEB reserves the right to accept or reject non-substantive defects that might affect bids. CEB will reject expressions of interest received after the submission deadline, without any penalty or justification.

9. Modification or cancellation of the tender

CEB reserves the right to modify or cancel, at any time, all or part of this tender as necessary, without having to justify its action or incurring any liability to potential bidders.

10.Presentation and submission conditions

Tenders shall be submitted in three sealed envelopes, as explained in point 6, before the submission deadline.

The date of reception by CEB shall serve as evidence in this respect. The inner-envelope shall be marked: "Not to be opened by the mail service" while the outer-envelope shall be marked "Procurement Department - Tender for CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE PREPARATION OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE CLINIC FOR GYNAECOLOGY AND OBSTETRICS AND THE PSYCHIATRIC CLINIC WITHIN THE CLINICAL CENTRE OF MONTENEGRO IN PODGORICA - FIP 17454 / SCA 15", and be sent to the following address:

Council of Europe Development Bank Procurement Department 34 rue Boissiere 75116 Paris - France

Tenders that arrive after the submission deadline, 24 June 2014, noon, shall be rejected and re-

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directed unopened to the Sender.