

Republic of Serbia Government

Working group for the implementation of the selection of a strategic partner for the implementation of the project of the construction of self-balancing large-capacity solar power plants with battery systems for the storage of electricity in the Republic of Serbia

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SUBJECT: Modification and clarification of the Public Call for the selection of a strategic partner for the execution of the project of construction without management (operation) or maintenance of self-balanced high-capacity solar power plants with battery systems for electricity storage in the Republic of Serbia

In accordance with the Public Call, we are issuing the following answers to the questions submitted:

Question No.:1.

Please clarify the required amount of the bank guarantee for the seriousness of the bid. The bank guarantee for the seriousness of the bid is determined in the amount of EUR 42,000,000.00 with a validity period of 6 months from the date of submission of the bid. In this regard, please confirm the requested amount of the bank guarantee, considering that the client believes that it is unrealistically determined and that it is unlikely that there is a bank that is ready to issue a bank guarantee for the seriousness of the bid for such an amount.

Answer:

A technical error was made while making the public call. The bank guarantee for the seriousness of the bid is set at the amount of **RSD** 42,000,000.00.

In Section IX. point 5. Public Call has been modified, so that it now reads:

1. Bank guarantee for the seriousness of the bid (Bid Bond)

The bidder is obliged to submit, with the bid, an irrevocable, unconditional banking Bid-Securing guarantee payable on the first call without objection, in accordance with Article 1087 of the Law of Contract and Torts, with a validity period until the expiration of the bid validity period, in the amount of 42,000,000.00 **RSD** (forty-two million dinars), (or equivalent in other currencies at the middle exchange rate of the National Bank on the day the bank guarantee is issued) by which the bank undertakes the obligation to pay the above

amount to the Employer after the receipt of the first call of the Financier in writing, and a statement which indicates that:

- the bidder changed or revoked the bid during the bid validity period;
- the bidder did not, upon request of the Government Working Group, extend the validity period of the banking guarantee;
- the bidder did not, within the proper deadline, submit additional documents with a view to clarifying the bid in accordance with the request of the Government Working Group.

The banking Bid-Securing Declaration will be returned within five days from the date of submission of the bidder's written request for the return of the guarantee.

Ouestion No: 2.

Also, please clarify regarding the letter of intent from banks, international financial institutions, reputable export credit agencies, i.e. other sources of financing for the execution of the Project, which must be submitted with the bid - does it need to be for a specific amount, i.e. is the Bidder obliged to state the indicative price to which the letter refers, given that the price is an element of the contract that will be negotiated later with the chosen strategic partner?

Answer:

When submitting a bid, i.e. when submitting a letter of intent from banks, international financial institutions, reputable export credit agencies, or other sources of financing for the execution of the Project, the bidder is obliged to also submit the indicative price of the project, i.e. it is required that the letter of intent to finance the project indicates a certain amount, that will be an element of negotiations at a later stage of negotiations with the chosen strategic partner and can be changed.

These answers are an integral part of the Public Call.

Government Working Group