

INVITATION FOR BIDS

GEORGIA

Fourth East-West Highway Improvement Project

Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No: IDA5245-GE; IBRD 8263-GE

Contract Title: Environmental Improvement Activities (Planting of Greenery, Re-cultivation, Earth Works, Solid Waste Management) on Natakhtari-Ruisi section of E-60 Highway

Reference No.: EWHIP-4/CW/NCB-02

1. Georgia has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Fourth East-West Highway Improvement Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for **Environmental Improvement Activities (Planting of Greenery, Re-cultivation, Earth Works, Solid Waste Management) on Natakhtari-Ruisi section of E-60 Highway**
2. The project implementing agency, The Roads Department of the Ministry of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia now invites eligible bidders to submit their bids for execution of preliminary and soil works and Environmental Improvement Activities. Implementation period for execution of rehabilitation works is 5 months.
3. The estimated cost of proposed works is **GEL 3 108 978** including all taxes, duties and other governmental levies as elaborated under clause ITB - 14.7. However, it is the responsibility of the bidder to submit a bid price, which could be below or above the estimated cost, based on the current market prices and any other factors which may influence the pricing of the proposed works.
4. Bidders shall meet the following minimum qualifying criteria to qualify for award of the contract:
 - a. Average annual construction turnover of at least **7 500 000 GEL** (Seven Million Five Hundred Thousand Georgian Lari) or equivalent over the last 3 (Three) years;
 - b. Experience as prime contractor in the construction of at least one work of a nature and complexity equivalent to the works (Construction/ Rehabilitation/ Maintenance) over the last 5 (five) years (works should be substantially completed) with a value of at least **2 500 000 GEL** (Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Georgian Lari); For the following specialized works, the Employer permits specialized sub-contractors as per ITB 34.3: Works for Breeding and/or Planting of Seedlings.
 - c. The evidence that the bidder is not involved in any litigation with regard to its bankruptcy, reorganization or liquidation;
 - d. Liquid assets and/or credit facilities, net of other contractual commitments and exclusive of any advance payments which may be made under the Contract, of no less than **600 000 GEL** (Six Hundred Thousand Georgian Lari) or equivalent.
 - e. Additional Qualification Criterion as defined in Section III – Evaluation and Qualification Criteria of Bidding Documents.

5. A complete set of bidding documentation in English language in electronic format can be downloaded for free.

6. Bids shall be submitted electronically as outlined in ITB 25.1. Late bids will not be accepted. Deadline for electronic bids submission is: **July 21, 2016 17:00 local time**. Government procurement procedures SHALL NOT apply for this procurement.

Bid submission and bid opening will take place electronically using Georgian E-Government Procurement System with certain modifications. Major modifications to the Georgian E-Procurement System are:

- Functionality of the three rounds of e-Reverse auction is removed. Rounds will not be applicable.
- The estimated cost of the contract is disclosed in the e-Procurement system and bidders can submit a bid price, which could be below or above the estimated cost, however pricing the bid is the responsibility of the bidder which shall be based on the current market prices and any other factors which may influence the pricing of the proposed works.
- Please note that bidding is conducted under National Competitive Bidding procedures as specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement of Goods, Works and Non-Consulting Services under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers January, 2011 revised July 2014 ("Procurement Guidelines"). For clarification purposes requests should be submitted through the Georgian E- Government Procurement System.

7. All bids should be submitted together with the Bid Security Declaration. Bid Security Declaration shall be valid for 28 days beyond the validity of the Bid. For bids submitted by a JV bidder shall carefully read ITB 19.8 as failure to comply with this ITB may be grounds for bid rejection.

8. The Employer's address:

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