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**Greece-Heraklion: Environmental impact assessment for construction
2019/S 097-236120**

Contract notice – utilities

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/25/EU

Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at: <http://www.igi-poseidon.com>
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

I.6) Main activity

Production, transport and distribution of gas and heat

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Permitting Support Services for the Offshore Sections of the EastMed Pipeline Project (EastMed)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

71313400

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for environmental permitting and implementation of activities to obtain Authorization and Permits for the installation of the following EastMed offshore sections:

- from SE Peloponnese till Atherinolakkos area (SE Crete),
- from Atherinolakkos till Vassiliko (Cyprus),
- from Vassiliko till the Eastern Mediterranean gas source.

Indicative pipeline diameter: 26"-28" (subject to assessment and confirmation).

Onshore Compressor Station (CS) (Vassiliko) and the 2 small onshore pipeline sections in Cyprus from landfalls till the CS (Vassiliko) are included.

Separate ESIA Studies to be prepared for each country (Greece, Cyprus and Israel) and be based on the national legislations, EU Regulations (for Greece and Cyprus) and EBRD requirements, taking into consideration Project's FEED technical data.

Services include support to the project owner till the issuance of environmental terms approval by the Authorities in the relevant countries.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 2 300 000.00 EUR

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**

71313440

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: EL

NUTS code: CY

Main site or place of performance:

Greece, Cyprus and Israel.

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

Services to be performed concern the following offshore sections:

From an Eastern Mediterranean gas source to Cyprus, landfall included.

— landfall: LF1 Vassiliko industrial area (Cyprus),

— length: approximately 290 km,

— maximum water depth: 2330 m,

— max gradient: 13°

Cyprus to Crete, landfall included:

— length: 732 km,

— maximum water depth: 3000 m,

— max gradient: 27°

Crete to south Peloponnese, landfall included:

— length: 421 km,

— maximum water depth: 1370 m,

— max gradient: 26°

The Compressor station in Cyprus (Vassiliko), as well as the two small onshore sections, from the landfalls to this compressor station are also included.

The services include among others, the following activities, for the sections mentioned above:

- preparation of an ESIA Study in accordance with the national and European legislation and the EBRD requirements. Its structure will follow the provisions of the national legislations, and special attention shall be given to the appropriate assessments regarding protected areas,
- support to the Project Owner, during the consultation of the ESIA, till the issuance of the Environmental Terms Approval (ETA) decision,
- preparation of the application files and of all necessary documents required in each country related to grant of shoreline, coastline and sea bottom permits and Authorizations procedures in relation to the installation of the offshore pipeline sections, as well as any required support till their issuance.

The contractor will provide mainly the following deliverables:

1) For Cyprus, a complete ESIA Study for the sections of the EastMed pipeline within the jurisdiction of Cyprus, i.e. at the following areas:

- between Eastern Mediterranean gas source to Cyprus landfall, and
- between Cyprus and Crete.

The ESIA study will also include the compressor station in Vassiliko and the 2 small onshore sections between the landfalls in Cyprus and the Compressor Station in Vassiliko.

2) For Israel, a complete ESIA, for the offshore section within Israeli jurisdiction, i.e. from the platform, next to the sources, till the borders of the EEZ set between within Cyprus and Israel;

3) For Greece, a complete ESIA for the offshore sections within Greek jurisdiction, i.e. at the following areas:

- between Crete and South Peloponnese,
- between Cyprus and Crete.

Each ESIA shall follow the structure requested by the national legislations and they shall be in accordance with the national and European legislation and the EBRD Requirements.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 2 300 000.00 EUR

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months: 24

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: no

II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues

II.2.13) Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: yes

Identification of the project:

The EastMed Pipeline Project is included in the third list of Projects of Common Interest and identified by the code number 7.3.1. The project has been selected to be co-financed for with EU funds through the CEF (Connecting Energy Facilities) program (Action number 7.3.1-0023-CYEL-S-M-17), including the activities object of the present procurement scope.

II.2.14) Additional information

Duration of contract includes support services, following the ESIA submission.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions:

The tender will take place in 2 stages. The first stage is the pre-qualification of the candidates on the basis of the criteria described here below. In the second stage the qualified candidates will be invited to submit their full and committed tenders.

The participants shall be companies registered according to the EC Legislation, or European Economic Area (EEA.) Country, or State with Association agreement with EU, having the right to participate in public sector's tenders, or joint ventures/consortia of such companies, provided that the sole company which participates in the bid, or in case of joint venture/consortium which participates in the bid (as applicable), each member of the JV/ Consortium, submits the following documents:

(a) registration document from an official professional institution in compliance with law of the country where the base or a legally operating department of the company is established. The document shall declare the capability of the company to undertake relevant services; Or company Statute, according to the legislation of the country where the company is registered;

(b) extracts from judicial records or, failing this, equivalent documents issued by the competent judicial or administrative authorities of the country of origin or, in case that the respective country does not issue the above documents or certificates, these can be replaced by an affidavit of the participating company and in case such a procedure is not provided for, by a declaration given before any judicial or administrative authority, public notary or competent professional organization, which would state that its representatives have not been prosecuted for any crime related to its/their business activity, practice or integrity e.g. professional misconduct, fraud, misappropriation of funds; etc.

(c) minutes of the board of directors, resolving the participation in the tender and the appointment of a legal representative (including full contact details of the legal representative);

(d) declaration of the acceptance for the appointment by the legal representative;

(e) pre-agreement in the case of a joint venture or consortium of companies, in accordance with paragraph III.1.8 below.

In case that any of the above documents is not prepared in English Language, said document shall be accompanied by official translation in English.

The contracting entity reserves the right to exclude from invitation to tender any candidate that it reasonably considers has or may have a conflict of interest with the objectives of the contracting entity and/or the Eastern Mediterranean pipeline project.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria:

Candidates shall submit declarations for each economic operator that:

(i) it is not in a state of bankruptcy, under liquidation, obligatory management, compromise, or any other similar situation resulting from a similar procedure and that no procedure has been instigated against the economic operator for declaration in bankruptcy, obligatory management, compromise or any other similar situation or resulting from any other similar procedure;

(ii) it has fulfilled its obligations, relating to the payment of social security contributions;

(iii) it has fulfilled its obligations relating to the payment of taxes, according to the legislation of the country where it is established. In case that the documents are not prepared in English, they shall be accompanied by official translation in English.

Candidates shall submit audited annual accounts for the past 3 years for each economic operator and shall demonstrate financial management capabilities required for funding the services.

Candidates with an average annual turnover of past 3 years lower than 2 400 000 EUR will not be invited to the second stage of tender. In the case of Joint Venture or Consortium the average annual turnover of the past 3 years for the candidate shall be assessed as the sum of the annual average turnover of each member.

III.1.3) **Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria:

Candidates shall provide complete and meaningful profiles of economic operators. Candidates who are invited to tender shall, as part of their core business, regularly perform services of the same nature as those requested by the contracting entity (environmental studies and permitting in gas pipelines and shall be widely recognized as providers of such services. the following shall be submitted:

(a) track record of performing similar activities for the offshore pipeline or cable in the past 8 years:

Candidates shall demonstrate proven experience and references for relevant ESIA or EIA services.

Any candidate that has not completed services of comparable scale, technical scope and complexity over the last 8 years in the following fields:

- environmental impact assessment studies and permitting procedures of high pressure natural gas offshore pipelines, in compliance with the provisions of the relevant applicable legislation,
- support services during the environmental licensing process shall not be invited to tender.

Any candidate that has not successfully completed (i.e. approved by the competent Authorities) in the last 8 years an ESIA or EIA of at least one long distance offshore high pressure natural gas transmission line of minimum nominal diameter 20" involving at least 2 different countries shall not be invited to tender.

In the case of joint venture or consortium, the leader to be nominated as per III.1.8) shall satisfy this minimum stipulation referred above.

(b) demonstration of resources:

Candidates shall indicate and demonstrate access to in-house personnel resources that are adequate in terms of discipline coverage, number and qualification. For selected candidates, proposed personnel shall be evaluated in the second stage and subject to selection criteria.

Candidates shall indicate and demonstrate suitable facilities, equipment and systems appropriate to the services.

(c) QA/QC and HSE certification:

Candidates shall demonstrate compliance of their QHSE management systems with recognized standards.

Candidates who cannot demonstrate compliance of their QHSE management systems with recognized standards will not be selected for the second stage. Candidates shall therefore demonstrate compliance either by submission of valid certification or by other reasonable means. Notwithstanding any selection for invitation to tender, the contracting entity reserves the right to consider as contract award criteria the detailed capability of the candidate in relation to the detailed scope.

III.1.4) **Objective rules and criteria for participation**

III.1.5) **Information about reserved contracts**

III.1.6) **Deposits and guarantees required:**

At the next stage of this call, the selected candidates will be invited to a tender and submit their bids. After conclusion of the bids evaluation, the successful bidder will be required to provide, in accordance with the forms included in the tender documents, in Greek or English language:

- a bond equal to 5 % of contract price, issued by a bank operating within member states of EU, valid up to the signature of the contract; and
- a performance bond, amounting to 10 % of the total value of the contract, upon signature of the contract and valid until final acceptance of the services.

III.1.7) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:

Payment conditions will be set out in the invitation to tender documents.

III.1.8) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:

Candidates may be either an individual company or a grouping of companies.

If the contract is awarded to a grouping of economic operators, the legal form required shall be:

- a main contractor to whom the contract is awarded with named sub-suppliers/subcontractors for whom the main contractor is responsible,
- a joint venture of economic operators, or
- a consortium of economic operators.

The legal formation will be required prior to any award, but is not required for this call or the subsequent negotiation. Candidates shall however be required to demonstrate agreement to legally form any proposed grouping of economic operators, during their submission to this Contact Notice.

Joint ventures and consortia shall nominate an economic operator as leader. A company which participates as a member of the joint venture or consortium shall not participate in the tender individually.

Reputable, widely recognized and suitably accredited service providers are sought.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.1) Information about a particular profession

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions:

Draft conditions of the contract will be set out in the invitation to tender that will be issued to selected candidates, among them, the liquidated damages to be applied to delayed deliverables, in respect to the delivery schedule agreed in the contract.

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.4) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 19/06/2019

IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:

English

IV.2.6) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 8 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) **Conditions for opening of tenders**

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) **Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2) **Information about electronic workflows**

VI.3) **Additional information:**

No Specification or additional documents will be sent to the candidates at this stage.

1) Candidates who are selected to be invited to tender will be required to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the specific staff responsible for the execution of the services. These details are not required for selection of candidates at this stage, but candidates must demonstrate access to staff, meeting the minimum requirements for selection;

2) Candidates shall submit their reply in 2 hard and 2 electronic copies (USB): one copy to the address in Athens indicated in I.1) (Name, addresses and contact point) and the second to the following address in Milan: IGI-POSEIDON S.A., c/o Edison SpA, Foro Buonaparte 31, 20121 Milan, Italy, FAO: Mrs. Giulia Sacchetti; The minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender is 8 months from the date that will be stated for receipt of tender.

3) The present Contract Notice is inserted in Poseidon's Web site (<http://www.igi-poseidon.com>)

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

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VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**
17/05/2019