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## SUPPLY CONTRACT NOTICE

**Procurement of photovoltaic equipment for the Secondary Industrial schools of Nablus, Jenin, Deir Dibwan**

**Engineering Procurement and Construction of a grid-connected photovoltaic system for the Secondary Industrial School of Tulkarem.**

**Nablus, Jenin, Deir Dibwan, Tulkarem– Occupied Palestinian Territories**

### **1. Publication reference**

VIS/004/MAE/2018/1PAL449 (1-2 Lot)

### **Procedure**

Local Open Tender

### **2. Programme title**

Youth in Palestine – New Opportunities of Integration and Employment for young Palestinian boys and girls

### **3. Financing**

3.1.2.5/ 010592/VIS/TAP

### **4. Contracting authority**

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Via Appia Antica, 126  
126, 00179 Roma  
ITALY

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## CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

### **5. Description of the contract**

- Supply, delivery, unloading by the contractor of the following goods:
  - Nablus Secondary Industrial School: 11.7kWp – both for On-Grid and Off Grid systems,
  - Jenin Secondary Industrial School: 11.7 kWp – both for On-Grid and Off Grid,
  - Deir Dibwan Secondary Industrial School: 1.95kWp – for Off Grid only.



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- Supply, delivery, unloading, installation, commissioning, and maintenance by the Contractor of the following goods:
  - Tulkarem Industrial School: 5.2kWp – Grid connected system only.

The present contract concerns on one side supply of equipment for the schools of Nablus, Jenin, Deir Dibwan and, on the other side, the EPC (engineering, procurement and construction) of a grid-connected photovoltaic system to Tulkarem School.

Regarding the installation of Tulkarem grid connected system, in compliance with a single EPC contract, the contractor is responsible of the confirmation of the solar energy resource, the development of the detailed design of the PV plant, the estimation of its energy yield, the procurement of the equipment according to the specifications agreed upon with the developer, the construction of the PV plant, the carrying out of the acceptance tests and the transfer of the plant for commercial operation to its owner.

## **6. Number and titles of lots**

**2** lots

01- Supply, delivery, unloading by the contractor of photovoltaic equipment to the Secondary Industrial schools of Nablus, Jenin, Deir Dibwan.

02- the Engineering, procurement and construction of a grid-connected photovoltaic system for the Secondary Industrial School of Tulkarem.

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## **TERMS OF PARTICIPATION**

### **3 Eligibility and rules of origin**

In order to verify the observance of the origin criterion, the Project Manager shall obtain from the suppliers participating in the selection the certificate of origin proving the origin of the supplied goods, having established in the contract with the supplier if the certificate shall be submitted when:

- the goods are imported in the country where the project is implemented;
- the goods are temporarily accepted;
- the first invoice is issued.

The certificates of origin shall be issued by the competent authority according to the law in force in the country of origin of the supplier and in conformity with the international agreements signed by such country.

Participation is open to all natural persons who are nationals of and legal persons (participating either individually or in a grouping – consortium - of tenderers) which are effectively established in a Member State of the European Union or in a eligible country or territory as defined under the Regulation (EU) N°236/2014 establishing common rules and



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procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for external action (CIR) for the applicable Instrument under which the contract is financed (see also heading 22 below). Participation is also open to international organizations.

“All supplies under this contract must originate in one or more of these countries. In derogation of the origin of goods, please refer to Practical guide applicable as of 15 July 2015, article 2.3.2 , Page 26. Derogations may be granted on the grounds of”

### **Grounds for exclusion**

Tenderers must submit a signed declaration, included in the Tender Form for a Supply Contract, to the effect that they are not in any of the situations listed in point 2.3.3 of the Practical Guide.

## **4 Number of tenders**

Tenderers may submit only one tender per lot. Tenders for parts of a lot will not be considered. Any tenderer may state in its tender that it would offer a discount in the event that its tender is accepted for more than one lot. Tenderers may not submit a tender for a variant solution in addition to their tender for the supplies required in the tender dossier.

## **5 Tender guarantee**

Tenderers must provide a tender guarantee for 2% of the total amount of the offer (or for 2% of the amount of one lot if tenders apply only for single Lot) when submitting their tender. This guarantee will be released to unsuccessful tenderers once the tender procedure has been completed and to the successful tenderer[s] upon signature of the contract by all parties. This guarantee will be called upon if the tenderer does not fulfil all obligations stated in its tender.

## **6 Performance guarantee**

The successful tenderer will be asked to provide a performance guarantee of 10% of the amount of the contract at the signing of the contract. This guarantee must be provided together with the countersigned contract no later than 14 days after receiving the contract signed by the Contracting Authority. If the selected tenderer fails to provide such a guarantee within this period, the contract will be void and a new contract may be drawn up and sent to the tenderer which has submitted the next cheapest compliant tender.

## **7 Information meeting and/or site visit**

No mandatory visits are needed for Lot 1, schools of Nablus, Jenin, Deir Dibwan.

Regarding lot 1, a mandatory site visit to Tulkarem Secondary Industrial School will be held on dates to be agreed with the school board and shall be run 9 days before the deadline for submission of tenders.



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Contact numbers:

Eng. Jad Hussein: 059 2203131

## **8 Tender validity**

Tenders must remain valid for a period of 60 days after the deadline for submission of tenders.

## **9 Period of implementation of tasks**

The Provisional Acceptance (Completion) will be made within 30 days from the contract signature Commencement order.

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# **SELECTION AND AWARD CRITERIA**

## **10 Selection criteria**

The following selection criteria will be applied to tenderers. In the case of tenders submitted by a consortium, these selection criteria will be applied to the consortium as a whole:

- 1) Economic and financial capacity of tenderer (based on i.a. item 3 of the Tender Form for a Supply Contract). In case of tenderer being a public body, equivalent information should be provided. The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years for which accounts have been closed.

Criteria for legal and natural persons:

- a) the average annual turnover of the tenderer must exceed the annualised maximum budget of the contract; and
- b) Current ratio (current assets/current liabilities) in the last year for which accounts have been closed must be at least 1. In case of a consortium this criterion must be fulfilled by each member; and
- c) Has no overdue debts to the relevant revenue administration(s); and
- d) Has a local technical support capacity in Palestine, or a credible plan to establish one within thirty (30) days of Contact Effectiveness, if awarded the contract.

Criteria for natural persons:

- a) the available financial resources of the tenderer must exceed the annualised maximum budget of the contract and
- b) the financial situation of the tenderer should not be in deficit, taken into account debts, at the beginning and end of year; and
- c) Has no overdue debts to the relevant revenue administration(s).

- 2) Professional capacity of tenderer (based on i.a. items 4 and 5 of the Tender Form for a Supply Contract). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years from submission deadline.



Criteria for legal and natural persons:

- 1- Local bidders/contractors must be registered and licensed as a company in the Ministry of Economy; they should own a professional practicing license from either the municipality or the Ministry of Property;
  - 2- at least three staff currently working for the tenderer in fields related to this contract.
- 3) Technical capacity of tenderer (based on i.a. items 5 and 6 of the Tender Form for a Supply Contract). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years from submission deadline.

This means that the contract the tenderer refers to could have been started or completed at any time during the indicated period but it does not necessarily have to be started and completed during that period, nor implemented during the entire period. Tenderers are allowed to refer either to projects completed within the reference period (although started earlier) or to projects not yet completed. In the first case the project will be considered in its whole if proper evidence of performance is provided (statement or certificate from the entity which awarded the contract, final acceptance). In case of projects still on-going only the portion satisfactorily completed during the reference period will be taken into consideration. This portion will have to be supported by documentary evidence (similarly to projects completed) also detailing its value.

Criteria for legal persons:

- 1- Has satisfactorily completed the installation of at least 30 KW PV systems in the West Bank within the last 2 years.
- 2- List of relevant installations realized during last three years (3 implementations required as minimum) should be provided (as statutory declaration) and contain following data: name of legal entity, country, overall supply value, proportion supplied by legal entity, n. of staff provided, name of client, origin of funding, dates, name of members if any.

## 11 Award criteria

Best Value for Money

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## TENDERING

### 12 How to obtain the tender dossier

The tender dossier is available from the following Internet address:  
[http://www.volint.it/vis/vis\\_nel\\_mondo/procurement\\_notices\\_and\\_tenders](http://www.volint.it/vis/vis_nel_mondo/procurement_notices_and_tenders)

The tender dossier is also available from the Contracting Authority. Tenders must be submitted using the standard Tender Form for a Supply Contract included in the tender dossier, whose format and instructions must be strictly observed.



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Tenderers with questions regarding this tender should send them in writing to [pm.palestina@volint.it](mailto:pm.palestina@volint.it) (mentioning the publication reference shown in item 1) at least 12 days before the deadline for submission of tenders given in item 19.

The Contracting Authority must reply to all tenderers' questions at least 8 days before the deadline for submission of tenders. Eventual clarifications or minor changes to the tender dossier shall be published at the latest 11 days before the submission deadline on the VIS website at [http://www.volint.it/vis/vis\\_nel\\_mondo/procurement notices and tenders](http://www.volint.it/vis/vis_nel_mondo/procurement_notices_and_tenders).

### **13 Deadline for submission of tenders**

The deadline for the submission of tenders will be:

July the 16<sup>th</sup> 2018, 11:00 A.M. Jerusalem time

Any tender received by the Contracting Authority after this deadline will not be considered.

### **14 Tender opening session**

The tender opening session will be on July the 16<sup>th</sup> 2018, 2:00 P.M. Jerusalem time at

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Occupied Palestinian Territories Coordination Office  
c/o Salesian Technical School  
Al Madbase Square  
Bethlehem  
Palestinian Authority

### **15 Language of the procedure**

All written communications for this tender procedure and contract must be in English.

### **16 Legal basis**

Italian Republic Law n. 125/2014  
Directors Committee decision n. 185 dated 14/11/2013;  
Directors Committee decision n. 71 dated 29/05/2015.