# Additional information about the Contract Notice

# Construction Works for Wastewater Collection and Treatment System in the City of Čačak Location - Republic of Serbia

Please note that the awarding of the contract is subject to the condition of the prior conclusion of a financing agreement, which does not modify the elements of the procurement procedure (this will be the case, for instance, if the budget initially foreseen is different or if the timeframe, the nature or the condition of the implementation are altered). If the precedent condition is not met, the contracting authority will either abandon the procurement or cancel the award procedure without the candidates or tenderers being entitled to claim any compensation.

#### 1. Nature of contract

lump sum

## 2. Programme title

Annual Action Plan in favour of the Republic of Serbia for 2022

## 3. Financing

Instrument for Pre-accession assistance (IPA III) 2021-2027

# 4. Legal basis, eligibility and rules of origin

The legal basis of this procedure is Regulation (EU) No 2021/1529 establishing the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III). See Annex a2a1 of the practical guide.

For this contract award procedure, participation is open to all natural persons who are nationals of and legal persons (participating either individually or in a grouping – consortium – of candidates/tenderers) which are effectively established in a Member State of the European Union or in an eligible country or territory as defined under Article 11 of Regulation (EU) No 2021/1529 establishing the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III).

Participation is also open to international and regional organisations.

All supplies and materials under this contract may originate in any country.

#### 5. Candidature

All eligible natural and legal persons (as per item 4 above) or groupings of such persons (consortia) may participate or tender.

A consortium may be a permanent, legally established grouping or a grouping which has been constituted informally for a specific procurement procedure. All members of a consortium (i.e., the leader and all other members) are jointly and severally liable to the contracting authority.

The participation or tender of an ineligible natural or legal person will result in the automatic exclusion of that person. In particular, if that ineligible person belongs to a consortium, the whole consortium will be excluded.

## 6. Number of requests to participate or tenders

No more than one request to participate or tender can be submitted by a natural or legal person whatever the form of participation (as an individual legal entity or as leader or member of a

consortium submitting a request to participate or tender). In the event that a natural or legal person submits more than one request to participate or tender, all requests to participate or tenders in which that person has participated will be excluded.

In case of lots, the candidates or tenderers may submit only one request to participate or tender per lot. Contracts will be awarded lot by lot and each lot will form a separate contract. If the tenderer is awarded more than one lot, a single contract may be concluded covering all those lots.

#### 7. Grounds for exclusion

N/A

#### 8. Sub-contracting

Sub-contracting is allowed.

#### 9. Number of candidates to be short-listed

N/A

## 10. Short-list alliances prohibited

N/A

#### 11. Provisional date of invitation to tender

N/A

#### 12. Provisional commencement date of the contract

N/A

## 13. Period of implementation of tasks

1099 days from the Commencement date until the Taking Over followed by 365 days of Defects Notification Period

#### 14. Language of the procedure

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

#### 15. Additional information

Financial data to be provided by the candidate in the request to participate form or the tenderer in the tender submission form must be expressed in EUR. If applicable, where a candidate or tenderer refers to amounts originally expressed in a different currency, the conversion to EUR shall be made in accordance with the InforEuro exchange rate of February 2026, which can be found at the following address: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/budget/graphs/inforeuro.html">http://ec.europa.eu/budget/graphs/inforeuro.html</a>.

Please note that participation at the tender opening session is restricted to authorized representatives of the companies that are tendering for the contract. Each representative will have to submit the document of authorisation.

The tender dossier is also available from Contracting Authority (CFCU) at the following address: Government of the Republic of Serbia, Ministry of Finance,

Department for Contracting and Financing of EU Funded Programmes (CFCU) 53 Balkanska St., VI floor,

11000 Belgrade, Republic of Serbia

in electronic format (USB drive), free of charge. Any person representing the potential tenderer can obtain the tender dossier; no authorisation or power of attorney is needed. Please note that the contracting authority cannot send the tender documentation to a postal address, or by any other means, i.e. electronic, express mail, etc.

Tenders must be submitted using the standard tender form included in the tender dossier, whose format and instructions must be strictly observed.

In case the tender is submitted by post or private mail service, the candidates must inform Contracting Authority that the tender was sent and enclose a copy of the deposit slip by sending an email to address ec@mfin.gov.rs.

Opening hours of the Contracting Authority: 08:00-15:00 h CET.

A clarification meeting will be held on 12 January 2026 in Čačak, at 11:00 CET at the following address: 2 Župana Stracimira St., Čačak.

Clarification meeting will be followed by site visits at Čačak.

The tenderer will need to register for the information meeting at the latest on 9 January 2026 until 15:00 CET writing to: <a href="mailto:ipa@eko.gov.rs">ipa@eko.gov.rs</a>.

#### **SELECTION CRITERIA**

#### 16. Selection criteria

Capacity-providing entities

An economic operator (i.e. candidate or tenderer) may, where appropriate and for a particular contract, rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. If the economic operator relies on other entities, it must in that case prove to the contracting authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for the performance of the contract by producing a commitment by those entities to place those resources at its disposal. Such entities, for instance the parent company of the economic operator, must respect the same rules of eligibility and notably that of nationality as the economic operator relying on them and must fulfil the selection criteria for which the economic operator relies on them. **Furthermore**, the data for this third entity for the relevant selection criterion should not be included in the request to participate form but in a separate document. Proof of the capacity will also have to be provided when requested by the contracting authority.

With regard to technical and professional criteria, an economic operator may only rely on the capacities of other entities where the latter will perform the tasks for which these capacities are required.

With regard to economic and financial criteria, the entities upon whose capacity the economic operator relies, become jointly and severally liable for the performance of the contract.

The selection criteria are described in section 12.2 of the instruction to tenderers.

#### 17. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender is the technically compliant tender with the lowest evaluation price.

## **PARTICIPATION**

18. Requests to participate format and details to be provided

N/A

19. How requests to participate may be submitted

N/A

# 20. Deadline for submission of requests to participate

N/A

# 21. Clarifications on the contract notice

N/A

# 22. Outcome of the evaluation

N/A

# 23. Alteration or withdrawal of requests to participate

N/A

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