



Based on the Assistance Measure to strengthen the capacities of the Army of the Republic of North Macedonia (ARMK) financed by the European Peace Facility (EPF) through the ITF Enhancing Human Security (ITF), ITF would like to announce the following:

INVITATION FOR THE SUBMISSION OF OFFERS FOR THE PROVISION OF ENGINEERING MACHINES

1. Publication reference:

04-2-14/2-14/23

2. Procedure:

Open Full Procedure for International and/or Local Commercial Companies (Entities)

3. Contracting Authority:

ITF Enhancing Human Security (ITF)

4. Description of the contract:

The Beneficiary of the Assistance Measure is the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of North Macedonia and Light Infantry Battalion Group of Army of the Republic of North Macedonia (ARMK) as the end users, where ITF is acting as the Contracting Authority on behalf of the European Peace Facility (EPF) in this process.

Under this invitation for the provision of below stated engineering machines:

- Dozer (1x),
- Combined engineering machine (Backhoe loader) (1x),
- Wheel loader (1x) and
- Wheel excavator (1x),

the end user and recipient is Light Infantry Battalion Group of ARMK.

The delivery location is:

Logistic Base, Army of the Republic of North Macedonia (Ilinden Barracks)
Boulevard Nikola Karev b.b
1000 Skopje
Republic of North Macedonia

5. Eligibility and rules of origin

Participation is open on equal terms for all commercial companies, international and national. In order for Offerors to be considered eligible for the award of the Contract, it will be necessary for them to provide evidence that they meet or exceed certain minimum qualifying criteria.

The Offeror must provide an offer encompassing **all items, or only specific item** listed in point 4 above, including training, repair services, spare parts, and warranty services.

The Offeror shall have completed as Prime or Sub-Contractor, at least 2 sales/projects of the same nature/amount/complexity comparable to the offered goods and services over the last 2 years.

The Offeror shall organize and deliver the goods in line with INCOTERMS - DAP (Delivered at Place) to the above stated delivery location and recipient.

The donor's specific conditions and requirements shall be taken into consideration at all stages of this procedure.

6. Number of offers

The Offeror may participate with only one offer for the same Contract. Submission or participation by an Offeror with more than one offer (either as a prime or a sub-contractor) for a Contract will result in the disqualification of Offeror as a prime contractor for that Contract in which the party is involved.

7. Validity and offer guarantee

The offered prices shall be valid for a period of a minimum of 90 (ninety) days after the deadline for submission of offers and must be accompanied by an Offer Guarantee (issued by the offeror's bank) in the amount of **8.300 EUR**. This guarantee will be released to unsuccessful Offeror(s) once the procedure has been completed and to the successful Offeror upon signature of the contract by all parties.

8. Contact person

Interested eligible Offeror(s) may obtain the full application documentation - Dossier by expressing interest via email to both email addresses: iztok.hocevar@itf.si and jaka.oter@itf.si from **Tuesday, 30 April 2024** from 12:00 hours on, and in the following days. The Offeror will be provided with the dossier in electronic version via email.

9. Deadline for submission of offers

The sealed Offers shall be delivered by registered mail or in person, to ITF Enhancing Human Security, Trg republike 3, 1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia / EU by Monday, **3 June 2024 at 12:00 hrs** (local time). Any offer delivered after this deadline will not be considered nor accepted.

10. Deadline for completion of goods and services contract

All goods and services under this Invitation must be completed at the latest by **August 29, 2025**.

11. Advance Payment Guarantees

The successful contracted party will be asked to provide the advanced payment guarantee at the signing of the contract. The percentage of the advanced payment guarantee will be determined upon the advanced payment amount set in the contract. The advanced payment guarantee shall be valid from the date of the signing of the contract and until 30 days after the goods are delivered, installed and training conducted (if applicable). If the selected company fails to provide such a guarantee, the contract will be void and a new contract may be drawn up and sent to the company which has submitted the second-best admissible offer.