



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 PROTECTIVE SUITS AND BOOTS FOR DEMINERS (BOMB SUIT)**

**1. Publication reference:**

**04-2-14/2-70/23**

**2. Procedure:**

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 **Protective suits and boots for deminers (bomb suit) (3x)** 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 **equipment item** as listed in point 4 above.

The Offeror shall present a Permit for trade in military equipment from the competent authority in his country.

The Offeror shall have completed at least one sale of similar nature comparable to the offered goods and services over the last 2 years.

The Offeror shall be authorised distributor/dealer for offered goods and services for the Republic of North Macedonia.

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**

For each contract a separate offer shall be submitted. The Offeror may participate in only one offer for the same Contract.

The submission of more than one offer by the same Offeror on a single specific separate contract – as a prime contractor, will result in the rejection of all offers within the specific separate contract, in which the offeror is involved or participates in more than one role - as a prime-contractor.

The participation by an Offeror in more than one offer on a single specific separate contract - as a sub-contractor, will result in the rejection of all offers within the specific separate contract, in which the offeror is involved or participates in more than one role - as a sub-contractor.

The submission or participation by an Offeror in more than one offer on a single specific separate contract - as prime or sub-contractor, will result in the rejection of all offers within the specific separate contract, in which the offeror is involved or participates in more than one role - as a prime and sub-contractor.

**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 **2.400 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 for obtaining Dossier**

Interested eligible Offeror(s) may obtain the full application documentation - Dossier by expressing interest via email to both email addresses: [iztok.hocevar@itf.si](mailto:iztok.hocevar@itf.si) and [jaka.oter@itf.si](mailto:jaka.oter@itf.si) from **Tuesday, 4 February 2025 from 15:00 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, 24 February 2025 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 **December 19, 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 advanced payment guarantee shall be valid from the date of the signing of the contract and until 90 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.