

Tender Notice

Procurement of Construction Works for the Renovation of the ZBC SNCO Administrative Building in Kapan (Project Building A)

**Submission Deadline:
1st of August 2023**

Partner Country: Republic of Armenia

NCB Identification No.: SPPA-A 2022-01

KfW Procurement No.: 509589

Post qualification

Title of the Project: Ecoregional Conservation Programme in the Southern Caucasus Region: Consulting Services for the Support Programme for Protected Areas - Armenia (SPPA-A)

Title of the NCB: Procurement of Construction Works for the Renovation of the ZBC SNCO Administrative Building in Kapan (Project Building A)

Project Executing Agency: Ministry of Environment (MoE) of the Republic of Armenia
Government House 3, 0010 Yerevan, Republic of Armenia

Financing:

The Ministry of Environment (MoE) of the Republic of Armenia has received financing from KfW toward the cost of the *Ecoregional Conservation Programme in the Southern Caucasus Region: Consulting Services for the Support Programme for Protected Areas - Armenia (SPPA-A)* and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for *Procurement of Construction Works for the Renovation of the ZBC SNCO Administrative Building in Kapan (Project Building A)*.

Project Measures:

Within the Support Programme for Protected Areas - Armenia (SPPA-A), the required needs for office space for three local organizations and agencies (Zangezur Biosphere Complex (ZBC) SNCO, Hayantar National Forest Administration – Kapan Branch and the Southern Territorial Basin Management Division of Water Resources Management Agency) were defined.

Subsequently, a selection process for an existing building earmarked for rehabilitation was conducted, during which a two-storey building in 10 Papyan Street in the city of Kapan was selected. The building was assessed regarding the need for structural reinforcement and its general building condition.

The works proposed for the rehabilitation of the administrative building are mainly: the re-arrangement of the layout on each floor to provide adequately sized offices, the adaption of the building to Armenian seismic risk reduction standards, the inclusion of a security and fire safety concept, improved accessibility of the building, the renewal of technical installations (heating, cooling, water supply, waste water system, surveillance system, communication, etc.), new finishes (floors, walls, façades, ceilings, etc.) and rehabilitating of the façades, added waterproofing to the roof, enlarged windows to improve natural lighting in the building, the installation of a photovoltaic system. The estimated construction period is between August 2023 and March 2024 (8 months).

Bidding Documents:

Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information and request a complete set of bidding documents upon written application to: Ms. Hasmik Khachoyan, hkhachoyansppa@gmail.com

Deadline and Submission of Bids:

In addition to the originals of the Bid, the number of copies is: two (2) paper copies to be included in the envelope marked "Bid – Copy" and one (1) digital copy (on USB flash drive) as a single scan of the original hardcopy of the Bid as PDF file to be included in the envelope marked "Bid – Original".

The original and the copies of the Bids shall be submitted not later than 10:00 local time on the 1st of August 2023 at the following address, which shall be the controlling address for the purposes of the timely submission of the Bid:

Attention: Ms. Hasmik Khachoyan
Address: RA Ministry of Environment (MoE)
Government 3rd Building,
5th Floor, Room n° 544
City: Yerevan
ZIP Code: 0010
Country: Republic of Armenia

When submitting the Bid, please inform Ms. Hasmik Khachoyan by phone before entering the building: +37493549955.

Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the bidders' designated representatives.

The Bid, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Bid exchanged by the Bidder and the Employer, shall be written in the English language. Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the Bid may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the English language, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Bid, such translation shall govern. The translation of supporting documents, printed literature and any documents that are part of the Bid is the responsibility of the Bidder.

Evaluation of Bids:

Bidding will be conducted by means of the National Competitive Bidding procedure in one-stage, one-envelope, as specified in the KfW Guidelines for Guidelines for Procurement of Goods, Works and associated Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries ("KfW Guidelines").

In terms of minimum required experience, bidders shall meet the following minimum qualifying criteria:

- (a) Average annual construction work turnover over a period of 5 years of a minimum amount of 825.000 EUR.
- (b) Experience as prime contractor in the construction of at least 3 substantially completed works (80% of physical progress) of a nature and complexity equivalent to the Works over the period of 5 years.

Nature and complexity equivalent to the Works is to be understood as works for the rehabilitation of administrative buildings or offices with a value of at least 412.500 EUR and including one or more of the following features: re-arrangement of the layout of the floors

and offices, adaption of the building to Armenian seismic risk reduction standards, inclusion of a security and fire safety concept, improved accessibility of the building, renewal of technical installations (heating, cooling, water supply, waste water system, surveillance system, communication, etc.), new finishes (floors, walls, façades, ceilings, etc.) and rehabilitating of the façades, added waterproofing to the roof, enlarged windows to improve natural lighting in the building, installation of a photovoltaic system.

- (c) The Bidder shall demonstrate that it has access to, or has available, liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credit, and other financial means (independent of any contractual advance payment) sufficient to meet the construction cash flow requirements estimated as 220.000 EUR by bank statements and supporting documents confirmed by letter signed and stamped by the Bank.
- (d) Consistent history of litigation or arbitration awards against the Applicant or any partner of a Joint Venture may result in disqualification. All pending litigation shall in total not represent more than one hundred percent (100%) of the Bidder's net worth and shall be treated as resolved against the Bidder (Form CON-2).

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security. The amount and currency of the bid security shall be 11.000 EUR.

Important Notice:

As a regulated financial institution located in the European Union, KfW must ensure that all its financing fully complies with applicable regulations, including the restrictive measures of the European Union. Russia's invasion of Ukraine has resulted in a new sanctions regime of unprecedented scope, complexity and volatility. KfW is therefore reminding all its partners of ensuring adherence to the Compliance Annex attached to all of KfW's financing agreements, which includes the requirement to comply with European Union sanctions. KfW is analysing the impact of new European Union and other sanctions on an ongoing basis and expects its partners to do the same.

Based on various EU sanctions provisions (including Article 5k of Regulation 833/2014) bidders, subcontractors, and suppliers located in or originating from the Russian Federation must be excluded from procurement processes utilising KfW funds.

Russian bidders, subcontractors and suppliers are to be understood as

- a) Russian nationals or natural or legal persons, entities or bodies established in Russia,
- b) any legal person, entity or body in which more than 50% of the shares are owned directly or indirectly by one of the entities referred to under point (a), or
- c) any natural or legal person, entity or body acting on behalf of or at the direction of any of the entities referred to under point (a) or (b).