**STATEMENT**

**ON THE PRE-QUALIFICATION PROCEDURE**

**This text of the statement was approved by the decision of the assessment commission of the open tendering No. 2 dated June 13, 2023 and is published**

**in accordance with Article 24 of the RA Law “On Procurement”**

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*Individuals from the field of culture and/or art (architect, sculptor, painter, designer, etc.) or organizations from that field can participate in the competition.*

**I. CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SUBJECT OF PURCHASE**

The Customer, the National Gallery of Armenia, located at 1 Aram str., Yerevan, announces the pre-qualification procedure to determine possible participants in an open tendering organized for the purpose of acquiring services of processing design estimates documentation for the restoration/installation concept of “Glory to Labour” (“Statue of the Worker”), the statue by Ara Harutyunyan.

**Historical overview**

Ara Harutyunyan (1928-1999) played a major role in the ideological transformation of Armenian monumental sculpture, the introduction of epic themes of Armenian History, reinterpreted the traditions of national sculpture in decorative, stylized means of expression.

In 1982, the “Statue of the Worker” -an 11-meter cast-iron “giant” - was installed on the square near the “Gortsaranain” station of the Yerevan Metro.

In 1997, after Armenia’s independence, the accumulated negative attitude towards the last Soviet and difficult post-Soviet years was accompanied by the destruction of monuments considered socialist. The Statue of the Worker was dismantled, parted and disappeared overnight.

In 2004, as a result of searches by several devoted people, the parted “Statue of the Worker” was found, and years later, in 2011, representatives of the “Art Laboratory” artists' association pasted a full-length poster to the wall near the Gortsaranain station.

In 2022, the “Statue of a Worker. POST SCRIPTUM” exhibition opened in the National Gallery of Armenia. The preserved parts of the “Statue of the Worker” were displayed. The exhibition aimed at preserving of cultural values.

The restoration project of the statue “Glory to Labour” by Ara Harutyunyan has many layers in terms of content. It is primarily aimed at re-evaluating the history of the place associated with the industrial period, which in the collective memory of the society of post-Soviet Armenia continues to be associated with the statue/image of the “worker”.

The project also addresses issues of preservation of cultural heritage. It raises the issue of attentiveness and sensitivity to modern history with the act of restoring a valuable modernist work that was subject of cultural vandalism during the epic break.

**The annex attached presents:**

A. archival photographs, sketches, etc. *(Annex 1)*

**Position/Location**

The Yerevan metro station “Gortsaranain” and the adjacent territory to the Labor Square (for example, the platform, an upper platform (ticket office), the area around the two entrances /adjacent territory) are considered **as a possible installation location**. Due to safety reasons the front part of the two entrances of the station “Gortsaranain” should have a free space of 5 meters.

**Description of the area**

The place of the installation carries a historical context. It is chosen as a place next to the former location of the “Statue of the Worker”. “Labour Square” is still vividly preserved in the memory of the people: inhabitants still use this name to describe the area. The above-mentioned territory was characterized as the main industrial area, zone of the city of Yerevan. For the revival of the “Statue of the Worker”, it was extremely important to consider the areas adjacent to the place that have already has historical significance. “Statue of a Worker”, even partially, restored to the aforementioned location, receives a symbolic content.

**The annex attached contains:**

A. the plan of the proposed territory, cartographic topography *(Annex 2)*

B. photographs of the proposed territory, *(Annex 3, 3.1, 3.2)*

**Preserved parts of the statue**

The preserved parts of the “Statue of a Worker” include the part of one hand from the elbow to the fist, the head, e.t.c.

**The annex attached presents:**

A. photos of the preserved parts (Annex 4)

**Primary requirements**

The complex project should include two main components: restoration/installation of the statue and improvement of the area. The restoration of the "Statue of the Worker" with innovative methods should have a historical context, the restored complex with all its components should disclose the concept to the maximum extent, drawing attention to the important issue of preservation and restoration of cultural heritage.

Learn more about the attached material at the following link: [**https://cloud.mail.ru/public/i1fM/jHmkR6dTD**](https://cloud.mail.ru/public/i1fM/jHmkR6dTD)

**II. TERMS OF PARTICIPATION IN THE PROCEDURE**

1. According to Article 7 of the RA Law “On Procurement”, any person, regardless of his/her being a foreign individual, organization or non-citizen person, is equally eligible to participate in the pre-qualification procedure.

2. The participant who wishes to participate in the pre-qualification procedure should meet the qualification criterion "Compliance of professional activity with the activity stipulated by the contract" defined by Clause 1 of Part 3 of Article 6, of the RA Law "On Procurement".

The participant is considered to have met the qualification criterion if he/she has submitted the information required by the application.

3. The participants may participate in the pre-qualification procedure as a joint activity (consortium). In that case:

1) The prequalification application also includes a joint activity agreement;

2) When evaluating the prequalification application, the uniform qualifications of all members of the Joint Activity Agreement are taken into account (the qualifications of each member of the joint activity agreement must meet the qualification requirements established by this invitation accepted by the given member of this agreement);

3) the participants shall be jointly and severally liable;

4) the party(ies) of the joint activity agreement cannot submit a separate application(s) for the same procedure:

5) in case of withdrawal of a consortium member from the consortium, the agreement concluded by the customer with the consortium is terminated unilaterally and the liability measures provided for in the agreement shall be applied to the consortium members.

4. During the open tendering, participants may become aware of or entrusted with information containing a state secret, the disclosure of which (in any form) to another person (including relatives) may incurr liability established by the legislation of the Republic of Armenia.

**III. PROCEDURE OF RECEIVING CLARIFICATIONS AND MAKING CHANGES IN THE STATEMENT**

5. The Participant is eligible to request clarification from the commission regarding the statement of prequalification at least five calendar days before the deadline for submitting prequalification applications. Moreover, the clarification may be requested until 17:00 of the day specified in this clause (in the time of the location of procedure). The Commission shall provide the requesting participant with the clarification within the calendar day following the day of receipt of the request, but no later than 3 hours before the deadline for submitting prequalification applications.

The participant shall submit the request specified in this paragraph by sending an e-mail to the secretary of the commission.

The clarification of the request is sent from the e-mail of the secretary of the commission provided for in this invitation to the e-mail of the participant through which the request was received.

6. The statement of the content of the request and clarifications is published in the bulletin on the day of providing clarifications without specifying the data of the participant who made the request.

7. Clarifications are not provided if the request has been made in violation of the deadline set by this section, as well as if the request goes beyond the scope of the content of this statement. Moreover, the participant shall be notified in writing about the grounds for non-provsion of clarifications within one calendar day following the day of receipt of the request.

8. Changes may be made to this statement at least **two working days** before the deadline for submitting applications. On the first working day following the day of the change, the Secretary of the commission publishes a statement on the change to the bulletin.

9. In case of changes to the prequalification statement, the deadline for submitting prequalification applications is set from the date of publication of the statement of these changes in the bulletin.

**IV. THE PROCEDURE OF SUBMISSION OF PREQUALIFICATION APPLICATION**

10. To participate in this procedure, the participant shall submit an application to the commission.

11. The participant submits the prequalification application to the commission by e-mail **sedrakyanlilit@gmail.com** **or** in documents, in a sealed envelope, glued. The envelope contains the following in the language of the pre-qualification application:

A. the name of the customer and the place (address) of submitting the application,

B. procedure code,

C. the words “do not open until the application opening session”,

D. name (title), location and phone number of the participant.

12. It is necessary to submit the applications for the procedure to the commission no later
 than by 12:30 of July 04, 2023.

Prequalification applications in paper/documentary form must be submitted to the commission before the expiration of the period established by this paragraph, at Aram 1str. Yerevan.

13. Prequalification applications are received and registered in the register of applications by the secretary of the commission.

Applications are registered by the secretary in the register in the sequence of their receipt, indicating the registration number, day and time in the register. At the request of the participant, a reference of it is issued. Applications submitted after the deadline for submitting applications are not registered in the register and are returned by the secretary within two working days from the day of their receipt.

14. The participant submits the following by the prequalification application:

1) a written application for participation in the pre-qualification procedure approved by the former in accordance with **Annex A,**

2) a statement approved by the former on its compliance with the requirements of the qualification criterion established by this statement, in accordance with **Annex B,**

3) a copy of the joint activity agreement, if the participants participate in this procedure as a joint activity (consortium),

4) individual participants shall also submit a CVif available, qualification documents: diploma, portfolio.

15. All documents included in the prequalification application submitted by the participant are submitted in the original and two copies. The words “original” and “copy” are written on the document packages respectively.

16. Prequalification applications, in addition to Armenian, may also be submitted in English or Russian.

17. The envelope and the documents drawn up by the participant provided for in this statement are signed by the person representing them or an authorized person of the latter (hereinafter referred to as the agent). If the pre-qualification application is submitted by the agent, a document certifying the authority given to the latter is submitted together with the application. In case of expediency, the participant may present the required information in other ways different from the ways offered by this statement, following the required requisites.

**V. OPENING, ASSESSMENT AND SUMMERIZING THE RESULTS OF PREQUALIFICATION APPLICATIONS**

18. The opening, assessment and summing up of applications is carried out at the meeting on the opening of prequalification applications on July 04, 2023 at 12.30 at Aram 1 str. Yerevan.

In addition, the assessment of applications is carried out within three working days from the date of expiry of the application deadline.

19. At the meeting on the opening and assessment of prequalification applications:

1) the secretary of the commission reports information on the notes made in the register and hands the register of applications to the chairman of the commission, other documents that are an integral part thereof, registered applications;

2) after handing over the documents specified in sub-paragraph 1 of this paragraph to the chairman (presiding at the meeting), the commission assesses:

A. compliance of preparation and submission of envelopes containing applications with the established procedure and opens the relevant assessed applications;

B. availability of required (provided) documents in each opened envelope and compliance of their compilation with the requisites established by this statement;

C. compliance of the concept/sketch to the idea, creativity, feasibility:

20. Applications that meet the terms set forth in this statement are considered sufficient/satisfactory. Otherwise, applications for pre-qualification are assessed as non satisfactory and rejected.

If, as a result of the assessment carried out during the meeting on opening prequalification applications, there are incompliances with the requirements of this statement in the participant's application, the commission suspends the meeting for one working day, and the secretary of the commission notifies the participant electronically on the same day, offering to correct the incompliance before the end of the suspension period. Moreover, it is mentioned in this point:

1) the proposal mandatorily and in detail describes the recorded incompliances;

2) the offer is sent to the participant by sending from the e-mail of the secretary specified in this statement to the e-mail specified in the participant's application,

21. A protocol is drawn up on the opening, assessment of applications and summing up the results, which also approves the list of pre-qualified participants.

1) the secretary publishes in the bulletin the printed (scanned) originals of statements on the absence of a conflict of interest signed by the former and those present at the meeting of the commission;

2) notifies the participants who have submitted applications that were assessed as unsatisfactory to the conditions provided for in this statement about the grounds for rejecting applications for prequalification.

In the course of the process, discussions are likely to be held for clarifications.

For more information related to this statement, please contact **L. Sedrakyan**, the Secretary of the Commission.

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Customer: SNPO “National Gallery of Armenia”

Annex A

Statement of Preliminary qualification of an open

tendering under the code ***HAP-NY-TsDzB -2023/1***

**Application\***

**for participation in the pre-qualification procedure**

 expresses his/her wish to participate

 name of the participant

in the pre-qualification procedure of the Open Tendering under the code ***HAP-NY-TsDzB -2023/1*** by the“The National Gallery of Armenia, and submits an application in compliance with the requirements of the pre-qualification statement,

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(name of the participant) (position of the manager, name, surname) signature

Annex B

Statement of Preliminary qualification of an open

tendering under the code ***HAP-NY-TsDzB -2023/1***

**Announcement**

**on complying with the qualification criterion of**

**“Compliance of professional activity with the qualification stipulated under the agreement”**

 declares and assures he/she

 name of the participant

 has provided the following services during the year of submitting the application and within the years preceding it:

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| During the year of submitting the prequalification application and within the years preceding it, duly fulfilled agreements and/or activities |
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