

**THE REPUBLIC OF LEBANON
COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT AND RECONSTRUCTION
INVITATION TO BIDS**

ZAHLE AREA WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS - PACKAGE III WORKS

The Council for Development and Reconstruction invites sealed bids from eligible bidders who are, including all members of a joint venture, Lebanese Contractors prequalified at CDR for civil Engineering works projects over 20 Million USD, or Kuwaiti Contractors classified in First Grade at the Kuwaiti Authorities for similar works, for the Construction of Zahle Area Water Supply Systems - Package III in Bekaa region (Lebanon).

This project is partially funded by the Kuwait Fund For Arab Economic Development (KFAED).

Bidders shall meet the following additional qualifying criteria in order to be qualified for award of the contract:

- 1) Average annual turnover in construction work of not less than 10 million USD or equivalent over the past ten years;
- 2) General experience of a minimum of ten (10) years in the performance as a prime Contractor in the construction of water or wastewater projects;
- 3) Particular experience within the past 10 years as a prime Contractor who has successfully completed water or wastewater projects with a total value of not less than 30 Million USD, with at least one water or wastewater project of a nature and complexity similar to the proposed works with a value not less than 10 Million USD. Experience as a sub-Contractor will not be considered;
- 4) Bank certificate for access to liquid assets and/or evidence of access to or availability of credit facilities of not less than 4,500,000 USD or equivalent sufficient to meet the construction cash flow for the above contract for a period of 6 months;
- 5) If the bidder is a joint venture, the lead partner must meet a minimum of 70% of above mentioned conditions (1 & 4) while each of the other partners must meet a minimum of 40% of the above mentioned conditions (1 & 4). The lead partner and each of the other partners must have successfully completed within the past ten years as prime contractor water or wastewater projects with a total value of not less than 20 Million USD, with at least one water or wastewater project of a nature and complexity similar to the proposed works with a value of not less than 10 Million USD, provided that all parties of the joint venture shall be liable jointly and severally for the execution of the said works in accordance with the Contract terms, and that the lead partner and each of the other partners must have a minimum of ten years experience in the performance as a prime Contractor in the construction of water or wastewater projects. Experience as a sub-Contractor will not be considered.

Full details of the qualifying criteria are given in the Bid Conditions and Procedures contained in the Bid Documents.

Bidders may obtain further information, and inspect and acquire the tender documents from Tuesday, October 13th, 2015 at the office of the Employer, at: The Council for Development and Reconstruction - Tenders Department - Tallet el Serail-Beirut-Lebanon. - Beirut Central District. Lebanon - Tel: 961-1-981 431/2 - Fax: 961-1-981 255

Bid documents may be purchased by interested bidders on application in person to the above office, and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of 2,000 USD. Payment of the fees will be made by a certified Bank Cheque addressed to CDR. However, bidders who purchased the Bid Documents for the previous bid will be exempted from the payment of this fee when obtaining the new Bid Documents.

Bids should be submitted to the address given above not later than Friday, December 18th, 2015 at 12:00 noon Beirut local time.