Invitation for Bids

Date: 03 March 2017

Grant No. and Title: Grant 0511/0512-TUV: Outer Island Maritime Infrastructure Project

Contract No. and Title: Contract No. 1. Construction of Maritime Facility in Nukulaelae and Rehabilitation of Boat Ramps in Nanumaga and Niutao.

Deadline for Submission of Bids: Wednesday 10\textsuperscript{th} May 2017; before 11:00 am (Fiji Time)

1. The Government of Tuvalu has received a grant from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Global Environmental Fund towards the cost of Outer Island Maritime Infrastructure Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this grant to payments under the contract named above. Bidding is open to bidders without nationality restriction.

2. This is the ADB’s first project for Tuvalu in developing outer island maritime facilities. The government wishes to continue developing maritime facilities in other outer islands in partnership with ADB and its other development partners.

3. The Head of the Central Procurement Unit (CPU), on behalf of the Ministry of Communications and Transport (MCT), (the Employer) invites sealed bids for the Construction of Maritime Facility in Nukulaelae and Rehabilitation of Boat Ramps in Nanumaga and Niutao (“The Works”).

4. The works in Nukulaelae include marine based and land based works. The marine based works consist of the dredging of an access channel through the reef, the construction of a approach jetty, a workboat wharf, channel side walls and navigational aids and a boat ramp. The land-based works includes the construction of a new warehouse building and boat parking area. The works in Nanumaga and Niutao are rehabilitation of boat ramps. All the permanent and temporary works need to provide a fully functional, environmentally compliant and reliable facility.

5. International Competitive Bidding will be conducted in accordance with ADB’s Single-Stage: Two – Envelope procedure and is open to all bidders without nationality restriction.

6. Interested bidders may obtain further information from Mr. Vete Palakua Sakaio, Project Manager, Project Management Unit, MCT, Funafuti, Tuvalu, Telephone number +68820054, or e-mail: vete2015engineers@gmail.com

7. A complete set of bidding documents, in the English language, may be obtained by interested bidders free of cost upon registering at Asia Pacific Electronic Public Procurement Network website

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/adbprocurementnetwork

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8. In case of any difficulty in downloading from the website, interested Bidders may contact CPU at the address below. It will be the responsibility of the bidders who is submitting the bid using downloaded documents to check and see any addendum/corrigendum issued in this regard from the website from time to time and ensure submission of bid along with all addendum/corrigendum. However, an intimation of issue of any addenda will be sent to the registered email address of the bidders who have downloaded the tender document till that time.

Central Procurement Unit,
Ground Floor
Government Building
Telephone: + 688-20046, +688 7003075
Electronic mail address:
Amalinda S Tala <amalinda.st@gmail.com>

9. Bids must be delivered to the address below before 11:00 am (Fiji Time), 10th May 2017. All bids must be accompanied by a bid securing declaration as described in the bidding documents. Late bids shall be rejected. Technical Bids will be opened immediately after the deadline for bid submission in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address below.

Address for Bidding Submission and Bid Opening:
Tuvalu High Commission
16 Gorrie Street
Suva, FIJI
PO Box 14449
Phone: +679 3301355

10. The employer will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by Bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of bids including the costs and expenses invested to site visits.

11. A pre-bid meeting will be held on 4th April 2017 at 2 pm (Tuvalu Time) at the address provided para. 8 to clarify the issues and to answer questions on any matter that may be raised at that stage as stated in ITB 7.4 of ‘Instructions to Bidders’ of the bidding document.

12. This will be followed by a site visit to Nukulaelae. A boat (Tala Moana was reserved) will depart Funafuti Wharf for Nukulaelae in the evening of 4 April 2017. It is scheduled to arrive in Nukulaelae in the morning of 5 April, depart Nukulaelae in the evening of 5 April, and arrive at Funafuti by 8 am on 6 April. Whilst attendance at the pre-bid meeting and site visit is not mandatory, potential bidders are encouraged to participate to ensure they have a thorough understanding and appreciation of the Project and site logistics. A fee of AU$300 per person will be collected in cash from the participants to cover meals and accommodation in the boat during the site visit. Bidders who wish to participate in the site visit shall make a reservation by e-mail to Ms Kaimalie Kino Ioele <kkioele@gmail.com> with a copy to Mr. Vete P. Sakaio.

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