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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Development of the municipal solid waste management master plan for the Southern Region of Jordan



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CONSULTING SERVICES

Expression of interest

The Government of Jordan (GoJ) has received a financing from the French Development Agency (AFD) and intends to use part of the funds thereof for payments under the following project "Development of the municipal solid waste management Master Plan for the Southern Region of Jordan".

The latter is planned to cover up to 2034 in line with the NSWMS in 3 phases: short-term phase 0-5 years; medium-term phase 5-10 years and long-term phase 10-20 years.

Context:

The Government of Jordan adopted its National Municipal Solid Waste Management Strategy (NMSWMS) in September 2015, in order to tackle the lack of proper transfer and final disposal facilities and shift, over 20 years, from an old, inefficient, costly and environmentally unstable municipal solid waste management (MSWM) system towards a modern and integrated one. The objective is to improve the overall health, environmental conditions and quality of life of population and refugees in Jordanian cities and villages, by developing environmentally and financial sustainable systems for MSWM in coming years. All specific objectives of the strategy are in line with the "Jordan 2025" national vision, which seeks to achieve improvements in the welfare of citizens and the basic services provided to them, to create a balanced society where opportunities are available to all and the gap between governorates is bridged.

The MSWM Strategy objectives will be accomplished through an integrated approach involving various actions in several thematic areas, such as:

- Updating MSWM policy and legislation;
- Improving institutional setup in relation with MSWM;
- Establishment of a National Management Information System for MSWM to act as a reliable electronic database for recording and analysis of relevant data of the sector;
- Integrated planning of MSWM activities in local and regional administrative levels;
- Promoting MSW prevention and re-use;
- Sustainable financing of MSWM facilities and activities;
- Sustainable construction and operation of MSWM facilities, by establishing Public-Private Partnership (PPP) where feasible and viable;
- Promotion of public awareness and education on MSWM;
- Empowering and building capacity of competent public stakeholders;
- Monitoring of MSWM activities in terms of operational and environmental performance.

The first phase of the strategy aims at implementing this new setup with priority investments and at piloting a number of actions to be developed in the second phase, including sorting, recycling and energy generation. Three regional MSWM plans are required to operationalize the NSWMS: the Northern and the Center regional plans have already been drafted with EU support and approved by MoMA.

The Regional MSWM Plan for the Southern region shall be developed according to the current tendering. This Plan shall reflect, update, operationalize, challenge and specify for the Southern region the content of the NMSWMS, following the recommendations mentioned below.

Missions:

The mission of the consultant shall consist in producing a comprehensive solid waste management Master Plan for the Southern region over this period containing (at least):

- A detailed evaluation of the current MSWM system in the Southern Region;
- An analysis of strategic options, with a view to defining the optimal ones
 according to environmental, social, economic and institutional context of the
 region,
- Operational recommendations for implementing an improved MSWM within the Southern region.

The mission shall focus in particular on:

- Assessment of short, medium and long-term options for reducing waste generation,
- Assessment of short, medium and long-term opportunities for reuse, recycling and recovery of valuables;
- Development of the basic MSWM collection system performance requirements;
- Assessment of short, medium and long-term options for municipal solid waste collection improvement and introduction of separate collection;
- Assessment of short, medium and long-term options for solid waste transfer, transport and disposal as well as various treatment options;
- Assessment of an improved financial scheme to support the MSWM system (several scenarios shall be assessed);
- Identification of private sector involvement opportunities in the financing and operation of the future MSWM System and development of an appropriate strategy (if relevant) towards private sector participation for the delivery and financing of basic MSWM Services;
- Public stakeholders (MoMA, Joint Service Councils, municipalities) and civil society (local communities, NGOs, commercial/businesses waste generators...) consultation and awareness.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs (MoMA) hereby invites consultants to express their interest in delivering the Services described above.

Eligibility criteria to AFD's financing are specified in sub-clause 1.3 of the "Procurement Guidelines for AFD-Financed Contracts in Foreign Countries", available online on AFD's website www.afd.fr.

Interested consultants must provide information evidencing that they are qualified and experienced to perform those Services. For that purpose, documented evidence of recent and similar services shall be submitted.

If the consultant is a Joint Venture (JV), the Expression of Interest shall include a copy of the JV Agreement entered into by all members. Alternatively, a letter of intent to execute a JV Agreement in the event of a successful proposal shall be signed by all members and submitted with the Expression of Interest, together with a copy of the proposed Agreement.

Determination of the similarity of the experiences will be based on (to be limited maximum to 15 most relevant experiences over the last 10 years):

- Contracts size and the nature of services;
- The technical areas and expertise (solid waste sector);
- The location (preference for the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, Middle East and North Africa or comparable countries).

The following items will also be considered for the evaluation of applications:

- Clear and brief company presentation;
- Skills and availability of experts available in-house;
- Local representatives/partners in the country;
- Quality assurance procedures and certifications of the Consultant;
- Audited balanced sheets of the company over the last three years;
- Turnover of the company over the last five years and percentage of activity in the solid waste management sector as compared to the turnover of the company;
- Proof of the company legal registration;
- In case of a group of companies: consortium agreement or letter of intent to execute a consortium agreement in the event of a successful proposal, with engagement of exclusivity;
- Letter of maximum of 2 pages expressing the interest for the Project and the advantages of the company/group of company's submission.

In order to confirm their eligibility for AFD's financing, Consultants should submit in their expression of interest a duly signed Statement of Integrity (appended to this letter).

Among the submitted applications, Ministry of Municipal Affairs (MoMA), with the support of AFD, will shortlist a maximum of (6) Consultants, to whom the full Request for Proposals (RFP) to carry out the Services shall be sent. Modifications of the composition of the bidders (Consortium) will not be accepted after applications are submitted for this REOI.

Expressions of interest must be submitted in 5 hard copies with a soft copy to the address below no later than 30 working days after the publication of the notice, before 12 pm local time hours on 20/02/2019.

The submitted EOIs will be opened at 1 pm (Jordan local time) on Wednesday, 20 February 2019 at the below address / third floor.

ADDRESS:

Eng. Waleed AL Otoom Secretary General

Chairman of the special tendering committee for the municipal solid waste management master plan for the Southern Region of Jordan.

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Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours. Office hours of the Contracting authority are Sunday to Thursday from 8:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Appendix to the Request for Expressions of Interest (to be submitted with the application, signed and unaltered)

Statement of Integrity, Eligibility and Social and Environmental Responsibility

Reference name of the bid or proposal:	(The
'Contract")	
Го:	(The "Contracting Authority"

- 1. We recognise and accept that Agence Française de Développement ("AFD") only finances projects of the Contracting Authority subject to its own conditions which are set out in the Financing Agreement which benefits directly or indirectly to the Contracting Authority. As a matter of consequence, no legal relationship exists between AFD and our company, our joint venture or our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants. The Contracting Authority retains exclusive responsibility for the preparation and implementation of the procurement process and performance of the contract. The Contracting Authority means the Purchaser, the Employer, the Client, as the case may be, for the procurement of goods, works, plants, consulting services or non-consulting services.
- 2. We hereby certify that neither we nor any other member of our joint venture or any of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants are in any of the following situations:
 - 2.1) Being bankrupt, wound up or ceasing our activities, having our activities administered by the courts, having entered into receivership, reorganisation or being in any analogous situation arising from any similar procedure;

2.2) Having been:

a. convicted within the past five years by a court decision, which has the force of *res judicata* in the country where the Contract is implemented, of fraud, corruption or of any other offense committed during a procurement process or performance of a contract (in the event of such conviction, you may attach to this Statement of Integrity supporting information showing that this conviction is not relevant in the context of this Contract);

b. subject to an administrative sanction within the past five years by the European Union or by the competent authorities of the country where we are constituted, for fraud, corruption or for any other offense committed during a procurement process or performance of a contract (in the event of such sanction, you may attach to this Statement of Integrity supporting information showing that this sanction is not relevant in the context of this Contract);

- c. convicted within the past five years by a court decision, which has the force of *res judicata*, of fraud, corruption or of any other offense committed during the procurement process or performance of an AFD-financed contract;
- 2.3) Being listed for financial sanctions by the United Nations, the European Union and/or France for the purposes of fight-against-terrorist financing or threat to international peace and security;

- 2.4) Having been subject within the past five years to a contract termination fully settled against us for significant or persistent failure to comply with our contractual obligations during contract performance, unless this termination was challenged and dispute resolution is still pending or has not confirmed a full settlement against us;
- 2.5) Not having fulfilled our fiscal obligations regarding payments of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of either the country where we are constituted or the Contracting Authority's country;
- 2.6) Being subject to an exclusion decision of the World Bank and being listed on the website http://www.worldbank.org/debarr_ (in the event of such exclusion, you may attach to this Statement of Integrity supporting information showing that this exclusion is not relevant in the context of this Contract);
- 2.7) Having created false documents or committed misrepresentation in documentation requested by the Contracting Authority as part of the procurement process of this Contract.
- 3. We hereby certify that neither we, nor any of the members of our joint venture or any of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants are in any of the following situations of conflict of interest:
 - 3.1) Being an affiliate controlled by the Contracting Authority or a shareholder controlling the Contracting Authority, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of AFD and resolved to its satisfaction;
 - 3.2) Having a business or family relationship with a Contracting Authority's staff involved in the procurement process or the supervision of the resulting Contract, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of AFD and resolved to its satisfaction:
 - 3.3) Being controlled by or controlling another bidder or consultant, or being under common control with another bidder or consultant, or receiving from or granting subsidies directly or indirectly to another bidder or consultant, having the same legal representative as another bidder or consultant, maintaining direct or indirect contacts with another bidder or consultant which allows us to have or give access to information contained in the respective applications, bids or proposals, influencing them or influencing decisions of the Contracting Authority;
 - 3.4) Being engaged in a consulting services activity, which, by its nature, may be in conflict with the assignments that we would carry out for the Contracting Authority;
 - 3.5) In the case of procurement of goods, works or plants:
 - Having prepared or having been associated with a consultant who prepared specifications, drawings, calculations and other documentation to be used in the procurement process of this Contract;
 - ii. Having been recruited (or being proposed to be recruited) ourselves or any of our affiliates, to carry out works supervision or inspection for this Contract;
- 4. If we are a state-owned entity, and to compete in a procurement process, we certify that we have legal and financial autonomy and that we operate under commercial laws and regulations.

- 5. We undertake to bring to the attention of the Contracting Authority, which will inform AFD, any change in situation with regard to points 2 to 4 here above.
- 6. In the context of the procurement process and performance of the corresponding contract:
 - 6.1) We have not and we will not engage in any dishonest conduct (act or omission) deliberately indented to deceive others, to intentionally conceal items, to violate or vitiate someone's consent, to make them circumvent legal or regulatory requirements and/or to violate their internal rules in order to obtain illegitimate profit;
 - 6.2) We have not and we will not engage in any dishonest conduct (act or omission) contrary to our legal or regulatory obligations or our internal rules in order to obtain illegitimate profit;
 - 6.3) We have not promised, offered or given and we will not promise, offer or give, directly or indirectly to (i) any Person who holds a legislative, executive, administrative or judicial mandate within the State of the Contracting Authority regardless of whether that Person was nominated or elected, regardless of the permanent or temporary, paid or unpaid nature of the position and regardless of the hierarchical level the Person occupies, (ii) any other Person who performs a public function, including for a State institution or a State-owned company, or who provides a public service, or (iii) any other person defined as a Public Officer by the national laws of the Contracting Authority's country, an undue advantage of any kind, for himself or for another Person or entity, for such Public Officer to act or refrain from acting in his official capacity;
 - 6.4) We have not promised, offered or given and we will not promise, offer or give, directly or indirectly to any Person who occupies an executive position in a private sector entity or works for such an entity, regardless of the nature of his/her capacity, any undue advantage of any kind, for himself or another Person or entity for such Person to perform or refrain from performing any act in breach of its legal, contractual or professional obligations;
 - 6.5) We have not and we will not engage in any practice likely to influence the contract award process to the detriment of the Contracting Authority and, in particular, in any anti-competitive practice having for object or for effect to prevent, restrict or distort competition, namely by limiting access to the market or the free exercise of competition by other undertakings;
 - 6.6) Neither we nor any of the members of our joint venture or any of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants shall acquire or supply any equipment nor operate in any sectors under an embargo of the United Nations, the European Union or France;
 - 6.7) We commit ourselves to comply with and ensure that all of our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants comply with international environmental and labour standards, consistent with laws and regulations applicable in the country of implementation of the Contract, including the fundamental conventions of the International Labour Organisation (ILO) and international environmental treaties. Moreover, we shall implement environmental and social risks mitigation measures when specified in the environmental and social commitment plan (ESCP) provided by the Contracting Authority.

Name:	In the capacity of:		
Duly empowered to sign in the name and on behalf of !			
Signature:	Dated:		

7. We, as well as members of our joint venture and our suppliers, contractors, subcontractors, consultants or subconsultants authorise AFD to inspect accounts, records and other documents relating to the procurement process and performance of

the contract and to have them audited by auditors appointed by AFD.

¹ In case of joint venture, insert the name of the joint venture. The person who will sign the application, bid or proposal on behalf of the applicant, bidder or consultant shall attach a power of attorney from the applicant, bidder or consultant.