

355305-2026 - Competition

Montenegro – Railway construction works – Rehabilitation of 9 Tunnels on the Vrbnica–Bar Railway Line, Montenegro

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime

Works

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Railway Infrastructure of Montenegro JSC – Podgorica (RIoM) / Željeznička Infrastruktura Crne Gore AD – Podgorica (ŽICG)

Email: procurement@zicg.me

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Rehabilitation of 9 Tunnels on the Vrbnica–Bar Railway Line, Montenegro

Description: Rehabilitation works on nine railway tunnels (T154, T156, T157, T165, T167, T169, T215, T218 and T247) along the Vrbnica–Bar railway line in Montenegro, with a combined length of approximately 2,921.5 metres. The works will be carried out whilst the line remains in commercial operation, in defined daily traffic intervals as set out in the Tender Documents. The Contract is co-financed by the European Investment Bank under the Western Balkans Investment Framework (WBIF) and is governed by the FIDIC Conditions of Contract for Construction (Red Book), 2017 Edition.

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Internal identifier: EIB-GtP/MOB/EIB-WBIF05-MNE-RIOM-W-2025-A3

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Works

Main classification (cpv): 45234100 Railway construction works

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Montenegro

Anywhere in the given country

Additional information: Vrbnica–Bar railway line, Montenegro - tunnel sites at chainages between km 310+533 and km 395+381, southern stretch of the line.

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 13 481 400,76 EUR

2.1.4. General information

Additional information: The Contract comprises civil and structural rehabilitation works on nine railway tunnels along the Vrbnica–Bar single-track main railway line in Montenegro: Tunnel 154 at km 310+533,32 (L = 505 m); Tunnel 156 at km 312+650,53 (L = 172 m); Tunnel 157 at

km 314+413,28 (L = 182,50 m); Tunnel 165 at km 326+972,98 (L = 114 m); Tunnel 167 at km 328+125,98 (L = 415 m); Tunnel 169 at km 329+545,74 (L = 285 m); Tunnel 215 at km 370+545,80 (L = 673 m); Tunnel 218 at km 372+197,10 (L = 309 m); and Tunnel 247 at km 395+115,53 (L = 266 m). Scope includes structural reinforcement of tunnel linings, drainage rehabilitation, waterproofing, track-side works on the rail-in-service section, replacement of damaged tunnel-portal elements, and associated ancillary works. The works shall be executed in coordination with the operational railway timetable, with defined daily free-traffic intervals as set out in the Tender Documents (Sub-Clause 6.5 TDS). Tenders must be accompanied by a Tender Security of EUR 280,000.00 in the form of an unconditional bank guarantee, an irrevocable letter of credit, or a cashier's or certified cheque from a reputable source, valid for at least 28 days beyond the original Tender validity period.

Legal basis:

Other

This contract will be financed by European Investment Bank (EIB) and is subject to the EIB's Guide to Procurement. -

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Notice

Conflict of interest due to its participation in the procurement procedure: Exclusion grounds as per section 1.5 of the EIB GtP.

Fraud: EIB Anti-Fraud Policy and EIB Exclusion Policy and EIB's definition of prohibited conduct as per the Covenant of Integrity.

5. Lot

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5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 24 Months

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

The names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to perform the contract must be given: Tender requirement

Procurement Project fully or partially financed with EU Funds.

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): no
Additional information: Tender Security: EUR 280,000.00 (two hundred and eighty thousand euros). The Contract is co-financed by the European Investment Bank under the Western Balkans Investment Framework (WBIF). Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: English; supporting documents originally in Montenegrin (BCS) may be provided in the original language together with a certified English translation, which shall prevail in case of interpretation. A site visit and Pre-Tender Meeting will be held on 17 June 2026 at the location indicated in the Tender Documents. Attendance is strongly recommended. Interested Tenderers should confirm attendance in writing to procurement@zicg.me at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the site visit. The Tender Document is available free of charge upon written request by e-mail to procurement@zicg.me, in line with the format described under Communication in Section I.

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Notice, Procurement Document

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers and Joint Ventures, Consortia or Associations must satisfy the eligibility, exclusion and qualification criteria set out in the Tender Document. . In particular, Tenderers must comply with the EIB's eligibility rules, sign and submit the Covenant of Integrity, and demonstrate the legal, financial economic, technical and professional capacity required to perform the Contract. This includes inter alia: Minimum average annual turnover for construction works in the past 3 financial years cannot be lower than: EUR 14 million. Access to lines of credit or any other credit facilities, or other financial means, of not less than: EUR 1.9 million. At least 2 contracts completed within the last ten years, each with a value of: at least EUR 14 million (NET of VAT) or at least 1 contract completed within the last ten years with a value of: at least EUR 28 million (NET of VAT). Similarity includes not only works on the reconstruction, rehabilitation, and construction of railway tunnels, but also works on road and other transport tunnels. At least 2 contracts completed rehabilitation or renewal of rail infrastructure whilst the line was under commercial service, within the last 10 years within the last ten years, each with a value of: at least EUR 3.4 million (NET of VAT). Demonstrated experience in managing environmental and social (ES) aspects under at least one (1) contract of similar nature and complexity. The full qualification criteria are available in the Tender Dossier and those shall prevail.

5.1.10. Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Price

Description: Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents. Award shall be made to the Tenderer offering the lowest evaluated Tender Price, subject to substantial responsiveness and the qualification criteria set out in Section III of the Tender Document.

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Address of the procurement documents: http://no_address.com

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Not allowed

Justification for why electronic submission is not possible: Buyer would need specialised office equipment

Description: Applications must be submitted to the Promoter's address.

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: English

Electronic catalogue: Allowed

Variants: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 24/08/2026 12:00:00 (UTC+03:00) Eastern European Summer Time, İstanbul, Mayotte

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 120 Days

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 24/08/2026 12:00:00 (UTC+03:00) Eastern European Summer Time, İstanbul, Mayotte

Place: Railway Infrastructure of Montenegro JSC – Podgorica (RIoM/ŽICG), Trg golotočkih žrtava 13, Project Implementation Unit – first floor, 81000 Podgorica, Montenegro.

Additional information: Tenders will be opened in the presence of the Tenderers' representatives who choose to attend. A record of the tender opening will be prepared and sent to all Tenderers who submitted Tenders on time.

Terms of contract:

The execution of the contract must be performed within the framework of sheltered employment programmes: No

Conditions relating to the performance of the contract: All contract performance conditions are stated in the Tender Document. The Contract shall comply with the EIB's environmental and social standards, available at <https://www.eib.org/en/publications/environmental-and-social-standards>

Electronic invoicing: Not allowed

Electronic ordering will be used: no

Electronic payment will be used: no

5.1.15. Techniques

Framework agreement:

No framework agreement

Information about the dynamic purchasing system:

No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: State Commission for the Control of Public Procurement Procedures of Montenegro (Državna komisija za kontrolu postupaka javnih nabavki)

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure: Railway Infrastructure of Montenegro JSC – Podgorica (RIoM) / Željeznička Infrastruktura Crne Gore AD – Podgorica (ŽICG)

Organisation providing offline access to the procurement documents: Railway Infrastructure of Montenegro JSC – Podgorica (RIoM) / Željeznička Infrastruktura Crne Gore AD – Podgorica (ŽICG)

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures: State Commission for the Control of Public Procurement Procedures of Montenegro (Državna komisija za kontrolu postupaka javnih nabavki)

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Railway Infrastructure of Montenegro JSC – Podgorica (RIoM) / Željeznička Infrastruktura Crne Gore AD – Podgorica (ŽICG)

Organisation processing tenders: Railway Infrastructure of Montenegro JSC – Podgorica (RIoM) / Željeznička Infrastruktura Crne Gore AD – Podgorica (ŽICG)

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Railway Infrastructure of Montenegro JSC – Podgorica (RIoM) / Željeznička Infrastruktura Crne Gore AD – Podgorica (ŽICG)

Registration number: 000000

Postal address: Trg golotočkih žrtava 13, Project Implementation Unit - first floor

Town: Podgorica

Postcode: 81000

Country subdivision (NUTS): Црна Гора (ME000)

Country: Montenegro

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Internet address: <https://zicg.me>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure

Organisation providing offline access to the procurement documents

Organisation receiving requests to participate

Organisation processing tenders

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: State Commission for the Control of Public Procurement Procedures of Montenegro (Državna komisija za kontrolu postupaka javnih nabavki)

Registration number: 0000000

Postal address: Novaka Miloševa 29/II

Town: Podgorica

Postcode: 81000

Country subdivision (NUTS): Црна Гора (ME000)

Country: Montenegro

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures

8.1. ORG-0000

Official name: Publications Office of the European Union

Registration number: PUBL

Town: Luxembourg

Postcode: 2417

Country subdivision (NUTS): Luxembourg (LU000)

Country: Luxembourg

Email: ted@publications.europa.eu

Telephone: +352 29291

Internet address: <https://op.europa.eu>

Roles of this organisation:

TED eSender

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