

Germany-Eschborn: Energy and related services
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Contract award notice
Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

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Main address: <https://www.giz.de>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Other type: Legal person governed by private law (gemeinnützige GmbH) wholly owned by the Federal Republic of Germany

I.5. Main activity

Other activity: International Development Cooperation

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

81297145-Comprehensive Technical-Regulatory Advisory to enhance RE-based share in electricity grids of WB

Reference number: 81297145

II.1.2. Main CPV code

71314000 Energy and related services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

The German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) has commissioned the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) to implement the project "Green Agenda: Decarbonization of the Electricity Sector in the Western Balkans (WB)".

This regional project focuses on building competencies and providing up-to-date knowledge on innovative technological solutions for the electricity sector in the WB. Technological progress is amplified by enhancing the regulatory framework for an increased use of Renewable Energies (RE). In addition, the project aims to create the basic awareness for the need to establish appropriate education and training opportunities for a RE based energy transition among the relevant organizations.

Within this context, the project seeks consultancy services to implement various analytical assignments in the sphere of energy-economic research, strategy consultancy, regulatory adaptation of RE tools and technological innovations to manage large shares of RE feed-in in the distribution and transmission grids of the WB region.

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 1,00 EUR

II.2. Description

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

71313000 Environmental engineering consultancy services, 71314300 Energy-efficiency consultancy services, 73220000 Development consultancy services, 98910000 Services specific to international organisations and bodies

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: BA Bosnia And Herzegovina

Main site or place of performance: 00000 Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The German cooperation in electricity sector together with the countries of the Western Balkans (WB) in the regional project "Green Agenda: Decarbonisation of the Electricity Sector of the Western Balkans" has been commissioned by the German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) to the Deutsche Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) in 2022. As political partner, the regional project is anchored at the Regional Cooperation Council (RCC) as well as it strongly cooperates with WB authorities responsible for the energy sector.

The objective of the project is to increase the demand by WB energy actors for technological, regulatory and human resources solutions for the implementation of an environmentally and climate-friendly energy transition has increased.

Most of the electricity in the Western Balkans (WB) is generated by large coal-fired power plants (THPs) accounting for more than 50% of regional CO₂ emissions; many of those were built more than 40 years ago. Given their poor technical condition and lack of modernisation, THP fleet of WB is particularly a dirty air polluter, threatening human and fauna habitats and the nationally determined contributions to the reduction goals to ease global warming as set out in the Paris Agreement. Positive potential for development for a full-scale energy transition based on renewable energy (RE) in the WB is framed by strong collective aspirations for EU accession. WB countries interconnectivity is based on fruitful geospatial and climate conditions and historical interconnectivity of the power grids. The WB energy transition goes hand in hand with the decentralisation of power generation infrastructure and should broaden the countries' energy resilience by a large diversity of energy actors, new jobs and investment opportunities, endorsed by solid public ownership.

Within this context, the project seeks to commission a consultancy firm/a consortium of firms to provide technological solutions and regulatory advisory to key project beneficiaries such as energy regulators, grid operators or energy service companies by various analytical assignments in the sphere of energy-economic research, strategy consultancy, regulatory adaptation of RE tools and technological innovations. The commissioned activities should overall assist energy actors to manage larger shares of RE feed-in in the distribution and transmission grids of the WB region.

As a regional project, the focus is on providing fundamental knowledge that is of equal importance for as many as possible of the WB countries. The transfer of universally relevant knowledge on energy transition shall accelerate the demand for country-specific further elaboration, detailing and implementation of solutions. Corresponding in-depth support subsequently may be complemented by other projects of the development partners" community, especially within the framework of specific bilateral development measures and public/private macro-financial investors.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Assessment / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30.00

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options:

GlZ may optionally commission contract amendments and/or increases based on the criteria in the tender documents to the successful bidder of this tender. For details, please see the terms of reference.

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

II.2.14. Additional information

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: [2023/S 118-369660](#)

IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

Section V: Award of contract

Title:

Auftragsvergabe GFA Consulting Group GmbH

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

11/10/2023

V.2.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 6

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: yes

V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: GFA Consulting Group GmbH

Postal address: Eulenkrugstraße 82

Town: Hamburg

NUTS code: DE Deutschland

Postal code: 22359

Country: Germany

E-mail: info@gfa-group.de

The contractor is an SME: yes

V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: GFA South East Europe d.o.o.

Town: Belgrade

NUTS code: RS11 Београдски регион (Beogradski region)

Country: Serbia

The contractor is an SME: yes

V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 1,00 EUR

Total value of the contract/lot: 1,00 EUR

V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3. Additional information

Bekanntmachungs-ID: CXTRYY6Y1CKWSWS6

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Die Vergabekammern des Bundes

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VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

According to Article 160, Section 3 of the German Act Against Restraint of Competition (GWB), application for review is not permissible insofar as

1. the applicant has identified the claimed infringement of the procurement rules before submitting the application for review and has not submitted a complaint to the contracting authority within a period of 10 calendar days; the expiry of the period pursuant to Article 134, Section 2 remains unaffected,
2. complaints of infringements of procurement rules that are evident in the tender notice are not submitted to the contracting authority at the latest by the expiry of the deadline for the application or by the deadline for the submission of bids, specified in the tender notice.
3. complaints of infringements of procurement rules that first become evident in the tender documents are not submitted to the contracting authority at the latest by the expiry of the deadline for application or by the deadline for the submission of bids,
4. more than 15 calendar days have expired since receipt of notification from the contracting authority that it is unwilling to redress the complaint.

Sentence 1 does not apply in the case of an application to determine the invalidity of the contract in accordance with Article 135, Section 1 (2). Article 134, Section 1, Sentence 2 remains unaffected.

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

11/10/2023