

695424-2026 - Competition

Germany – Environmental engineering consultancy services – 10044493 - Climate resilient urban development and financing in selected municipalities in Zambia

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime

Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

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

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Legal type of the buyer: Public undertaking, controlled by a central government authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: 10044493 - Climate resilient urban development and financing in selected municipalities in Zambia

Description: Short description of the project: Just and Climate Resilient Urban Development and Decentralisation (CitiZen+D) CitiZen+D is a technical cooperation project financed by the Federal Ministry of Economic Development and Cooperation of Germany and implemented by GIZ in Zambia. The objective of the project is to support urban development in selected cities in Zambia with an emphasise on climate resilience, social inclusion, and sustainable financing, setting best practice for the whole country. Context In Zambia, increasing numbers of people are moving to cities, posing a major challenge for these urban centres. Tight budgets, complicated regulations and unclear responsibilities in planning and development result in a lack of adequate urban planning. This particularly affects temporary, poor settlements in and around cities. The population here has only limited access to public services such as waste disposal, fresh water and sanitation, and safe road planning. Disadvantaged groups such as women, children, people with disabilities and people living in poverty are especially hard hit. Environmental pollution and social problems also result. Approach The project advises selected cities on planning, coordinationng and implementation of socially just and climate-friendly urban development. This allows the cities to realise development plans created in the earlier project phase and incorporate specific financing and operating arrangements into these plans. The project promotes cooperation between civil society, governmental institutions, organised interest groups and business to enable broad-based, socially just and future-oriented development in cities. The project aims for the population to have a say in planning and design, bolstering promoting trust in democratic institutions. Traditional authorities are also involved in the project. Locally successful approaches provide an example for other cities and feed into national aspects such as laws and guidelines. This should also result in administrative decentralisation. The project is part of the "Responsible Governance in Zambia" German development cooperation programme.

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Internal identifier: 10044493

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 71313000 Environmental engineering consultancy services

Additional classification (cpv): 79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security, 79411100 Business development consultancy services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Zambia

Additional information: See tender documents.

2.1.4. General information

Additional information: #Bekanntmachungs-ID: CXTRYY6DY60YKN91# All communication takes place in English via communication tool in the project area of the procurement portal.

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

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2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Notice

Breaching of obligations set under purely national exclusion grounds: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Participation in a criminal organisation:

Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities:

Money laundering or terrorist financing:

Fraud:

Corruption:

Child labour and including other forms of trafficking in human beings:

Breaching obligation relating to payment of taxes:

Breaching obligation relating to payment of social security contributions:

Breaching of obligations in the fields of environmental law:

Breaching of obligations in the fields of social law:

Breaching of obligations in the fields of labour law:

Insolvency:

Assets being administered by liquidator:

Business activities are suspended:

Analogous situation like bankruptcy, insolvency or arrangement with creditors under national law:

Grave professional misconduct:

Agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition:

Conflict of interest due to its participation in the procurement procedure:

Direct or indirect involvement in the preparation of this procurement procedure:

Early termination, damages, or other comparable sanctions:

Misrepresentation, withheld information, unable to provide required documents or obtained confidential information of this procedure:

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

Title: 10044493 - Climate resilient urban development and financing in selected municipalities in Zambia

Description: Objective of the assignment: The project "Just and Climate Resilient Urban Development and Decentralisation in Zambia" (CitiZen+D), implemented by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), supports urban development and decentralisation in Zambia in four output areas: Output 1: The coordination, planning, and implementation capacities of selected cities for equitable and climate-resilient urban development have been improved. Output 2: The financial capacities of selected cities for equitable and climate-resilient urban development have improved. Output 3: The participation of civil society actors, especially women, in the implementation of equitable and climate-resilient urban development has improved. Output 4: The professional exchange between government and civil society actors on successful approaches to equitable, climate-resilient urban development has improved. Under Output 1, the programme supports the development of 1 Planning Agreement and 5 Local Area Plans (LAPs) in the cities of Choma, Mazabuka, and Livingstone in Southern Province and Mansa and Samfya in Luapula. In 2025 the programme was focusing on the selection of informal settlements in the respective cities and on developing a planning and implementation framework for the development of the LAPs. Based on this the LAP process was initiated in Mansa and Livingstone. To progress with the remaining cities CitiZen+D is looking for a contractor supporting the preparation of three LAPs and one Planning Agreement in Choma (LAP), Samfya (LAP), and Mazabuka (LAP). The location of the Planning Agreement is yet to be determined. The local area plans are meant to:

- Guide sustainable land use and development, for example safeguard natural sensitive areas, such as for water catchment and wildlife
- Improve infrastructure and service delivery
- Support climate change adaptation
- Align with national and regional planning strategies

The contractor will assist local authorities in designing a participatory planning approach that integrates climate resilience while including the views and opinions of residents, including women, elderly, youth and other marginalized groups. To achieve active inclusion and consideration of communities and marginalized groups, the contractor will sub-contract civil society organizations for the LAP in Choma and Mazabuka through a financing instrument (local subsidy). In order to strengthen planning capacities and use of Geographic Information Systems the contractor is expected to implement and coordinate a local subsidy with the University of Zambia (UNZA). Once the Local Area Plans are approved the contractor shall support local authorities in developing a comprehensive and context-sensitive implementation concept for the LAPs targeting the selected settlements. This concept will outline actionable strategies, institutional frameworks, and phased interventions to formalize land tenure, improve access to basic services (water, sanitation, waste management, and mobility), and enhance housing conditions while preserving community livelihoods. The concept needs to explicitly emphasize on identifying, structuring, and accessing viable financing options to ensure real-world execution. The output will empower local authorities and partners to move beyond planning into funded, scalable, and accountable implementation that delivers tangible improvements in housing, infrastructure, and livelihoods for informal settlement residents. This includes strengthening of resource mobilisation in local authorities. The assignment is structured in the following work packages to be implemented by the contractor: Work Package Title Work Package 1 Climate resilient local area planning and planning agreements Work Package 2 CSO support for inclusive Local Area Plans (LAPs) Work Package 3 GIS capacities for local authorities Work Package 4 Financing models for LAP implementation Work Package 5 Strengthening national dialogue Work Package 6 Strengthening resource mobilisation Work Package 7 Support processes (Expert Pool)

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Options:

Description of the options: GIZ 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.

5.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Zambia

Additional information: See tender documents.

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 22 Months

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 2

Other information about renewals: GIZ 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.

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: Not required

Procurement Project not financed with EU Funds.

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

This procurement is also suitable for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs): yes

Additional information: #Besonders auch geeignet für:selbst#, #Besonders auch geeignet für: startup#, #Besonders auch geeignet für:other-sme#

5.1.7. Strategic procurement

Aim of strategic procurement: Reduction of environmental impacts

Description: See tender documents.

Aim of strategic procurement: Fulfilment of social objectives

Description: See tender documents.

Approach to reducing environmental impacts: The protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems, The transition to a circular economy, Climate change adaptation, Climate change mitigation, Pollution prevention and control, The sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources

Social objective promoted: Ethnic equality, Gender equality, Human rights due diligence in global supply chains, Employment opportunities for the long-term unemployed, disadvantaged and/or for persons with disabilities, Fair working conditions, Other

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Notice, Procurement Document

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: EN-A1: Principles for the execution of orders (Mit dem Angebot; Mittels Eigenerklärung): The eligibility criteria are not from the same category as stipulated above, as there is no suitable category. 1. Self-declaration: name of company and address, tax ID, registration and commercial register number or equivalent register in

accordance with the legal provisions of the country of origin. 2. No grounds for exclusion pursuant to § 123, § 124 GWB, § 22 LkSG, EU-Russia sanctions. 3. Declaration of bidding consortium and/or declaration of subcontractors (if applicable)

Criterion: References on specified services

Description of selection criterion: EN-B1: Technical and professional ability (Mit dem Angebot; Mittels Eigenerklärung): 1. The technical assessment is only based on reference projects with a minimum commission value of 600000 EUR (net). 2. At least 3 reference projects in the technical field urban development and municipal financing of which at least 2 reference projects in the region Southern Africa in the last 36 months (deadline: date of publication of invitation to tender).

Criterion: Average yearly turnover

Description of selection criterion: EN-C1: Economic and financial standing (Mit dem Angebot; Mittels Eigenerklärung): Average annual turnover for the last three years (last-but-four financial year can be included in case of tenders held within 6 months of end of last financial year), at least: 1,000,000 EUR (net).

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: EN-C2: Economic and financial standing (Mit dem Angebot; Mittels Eigenerklärung): Average number of employees and managers in the last three calendar years, at least 7 persons.

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Languages in which the procurement documents are officially available: English

Deadline for requesting additional information: 02/11/2026 23:59:59 (UTC+01:00) Central European Time, Western European Summer Time

Address of the procurement documents: <https://ausschreibungen.giz.de/Satellite/notice/CXTRYY6DY60YKN91/documents>

Ad hoc communication channel:

URL: <https://ausschreibungen.giz.de/Satellite/notice/CXTRYY6DY60YKN91>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://ausschreibungen.giz.de/Satellite/notice/CXTRYY6DY60YKN91>

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

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Variants: Not allowed

Tenderers may submit more than one tender: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 10/11/2026 12:00:00 (UTC+01:00) Central European Time, Western European Summer Time

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 171 Days

Information that can be supplemented after the submission deadline:

At the discretion of the buyer, some missing tenderer-related documents may be submitted later.

Additional information: GIZ asks the applicant or bidder to submit, complete or correct documents, within the framework laid down by law.

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: The execution conditions result from the information given in the contract notice and the tender documents.

Electronic invoicing: Required

Electronic ordering will be used: yes

Electronic payment will be used: yes

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: Vergabekammern des Bundes

Information about review deadlines: 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.

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

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Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure

Organisation receiving requests to participate

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Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

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Roles of this organisation:

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