



BEKENDMAKING

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

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The Ministry of Public Works, of the Republic of Suriname invites qualified General Contractors to participate in a Request for Expression of Interest (REI) to pre-qualify for the modified project to dredge the Suriname River over a stretch of 68 km, in the Republic of Suriname.

The Suriname River is the main route for marine transportation to the Port of Paramaribo, the Staatsolie berth and the Paranam refinery. Due to restricted depths in the navigation channel of this downstream river section, most vessels cannot pass fully laden and/or have to adapt their sailing times to the phase of the tide in order to avoid the hours around low water. At present the navigation channel is partially dredged, its alignment and depths are resulting from the combination of (tidal) river flows and passages of vessels. Shallow banks at several river stretches limit the nautical depth. To allow for safe navigation of vessels under better laden conditions or during all phases of the tide the navigation channel needs to be deepened and widened.

The Government through the designated maritime authority, The Maritime Authority of Suriname (MAS), will be able to collect a fee for usage of the deepened navigation channel after the depth of -4.5 m Chart Datum is reached. This fee will serve as the only available method of repayment to the contractor of all the works to be carried under this project.

I. Scope of Work

The scope of the Works is divided in two main elements: Capital Dredging and Maintenance Dredging.

1. The Capital Dredging entails the deepening of the navigation channel in the Outerbank km 0 – km 30 to the Mandatory Dredging Levels detailed hereunder for the basic channel design and spot dredging in the other sections km 30 – km 68. The dredged material shall be deposited in the dedicated disposal areas at sea.
2. The contractor shall provide evidence that their work method will ensure that the Capital Dredging will be finished within 4 months after commencement
3. The Maintenance Dredging entails the maintenance of the Mandatory Dredging Levels along the total navigation channel from km 0 to km 68.
4. The Contractor will be solely responsible for the maintenance dredging and shall guarantee the Mandatory Dredging Levels during a period of one (01) year from the Taking Over of the Capital Dredging portion of the Works.
5. The navigation channel is in principal a 'single lane' channel, with two stretches where the channel is designed as a 'two lane' channel.
Total Channel Length: 68 km
Width of 'single lane' channel sections: 70 m
Width of 'two lane' channel sections: 90 m
Mandatory Nautical Channel Depth: NSP -5.78 m (or Chart Datum Paramaribo -4.50 m for the Outerbank (km 0 – km 30)).
Side slopes: 1V:5H in the river mouth and 1V:3H in the upstream sections
6. The volume of siltation to be dredged is uncertain. To cope with the necessary maintenance volume, the Contractor is required to propose a dredge method with applicable dredging equipment.
7. The Contractor shall ensure that the dredging equipment will be able to dredge the maintenance volume required. Except in the instance of maintenance or repairs, the dredger must be on site and working during the Maintenance Dredging.
8. The contractor is required to submit a proposal to pre-finance the Capital Dredging, and up to 8 months of the Maintenance Dredging, wherein it is assumed that during the first 12 months of the project, the employer will not pay for the work executed.
9. The estimated volume to dredge during the capital dredging period is approximately 1.000.000 m³. Of which the most will be in the section km 0 – km 30, section Outerbank in open sea and the river mouth.

10. The contractor is required to carry out various environmental, (as but not limited to aquatic life, noise, pollution, water quality, etc.) and, social monitoring programs during the execution of the project. Furthermore communication with different stakeholders will be required.
11. The FIDIC® Form of Contract for DREDGING AND RECLAMATION WORKS, general conditions will be applicable for this project, and the Surinamese Law will preside over all contracts.

II. Required documents

Firms must meet all the mandatory criteria outlined below to be considered as eligible for technical evaluation:

1. Evidence of average annual revenue of more than USD 15.0 Million (US Dollars fifteen Million), for the last three years (2017, 2018, and 2019).
2. Evidence of fiscal capability to furnish a US Dollars Two Hundred Thousand (USD 200, 000) performance bond or Bank Guarantee. (The Firm must provide a letter from a surety company confirming that it will provide respondent firm with performance bonds on the Project in an amount equal to or greater than USD200,000).
3. Firm must submit a complete set of audited financial reports/certified financials for the previous 3 fiscal years that demonstrate it has financial capability to successfully support the entire contract.
4. Evidence that the Firm is registered and is authorized to engage in the Construction Business, Civil Works, Construction and dredging Services in its country of registration.
5. Firm must have been in Construction business at least 5 years and must demonstrate that over the last 5 years the firm has successfully and continuously been engaged as a General Contractor in providing similar service to those required in this REI.
6. Certification that the company has not been involved in any litigation action in the past 5 years which resulted in damages being awarded to the litigant, based on either failure to perform or poor performance.
7. Evidence of the ability and willingness to pre-finance the capital dredging costs, and conditions of said the financing schedule.

III. Instructions

Contractors interested are required register by sending an email to the Permanent Secretary of Public Works, referencing the following information before the closing date and time:

1. Reference Number
2. Company Name
3. Contact Person Name and Title
4. Address
5. Telephone Number
6. Fax Number
7. Contact's Email Address
8. Required documents as mentioned section II, 1 -7.

All requests and questions regarding this solicitation shall be directed to the following to the

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