



## Invitation for Bids (IFB)

**Employer:** Ethiopian Electric Power /EEP/

**Project Name:** Southern Extension of the National Electricity Grid Power Transmission Project

**Contract Title:** Procurement of Design, Supply, construction, test and Commissioning of two (2) substation extensions and three (3) new Substations and 230kV and 132kV Transmission Lines for Southern Extension of the National Electricity Grid Power Transmission Project

**Country:** Ethiopia

**Loan Agreement No. and Title:** EDCF-ETH-04

**IFB No.** EEP/PP/IFB/04/2021

**Issued on:** 20 September 2021

1. The Government of Ethiopia (hereinafter referred to as the "Borrower") has received (or in appropriate cases, "has applied for") a loan through the Export-Import Bank of Korea (hereinafter referred to as the "Bank") from the resources of the Economic Development Cooperation Fund (hereinafter referred to as the "EDCF") of the Republic of Korea in an amount of Korean loan equivalent to USD 170 million towards the cost of *Southern Extension of the National Electricity Grid Power Transmission Project* (herein after referred to as the "Project"), and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the contract for which this invitation to bid is issued.
2. The Project Executing Agency now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for Tender No.EEP/PP/IFB/01/2021 on Procurement of Plant Design, Supply, and construction, test and Commissioning of two (2) substation extensions and three (3) new Substations and 230kV and 132kV Transmission Lines *Southern Extension of the National Electricity Grid Power Transmission Project*
3. Bidding will be conducted through Competitive Bidding (CB) procedures specified in the Guideline for Procurement under EDCF Loan, and is open to all eligible bidders that meet the as defined in the procurement guidelines. The bidder shall be limited to those firms who are entitled eligible by the Article 4.2 through 4.5 of the Instruction to Bidders in Section of the bidding document, and the Section III, which provides the qualification criteria of the Bidders.

*This Invitation for Bids is open to only bidders from the Republic of Korea as defined in the Loan Agreement. A Bidder shall be deemed to have the nationality of the Republic of Korea if the Bidder is a national or is constituted, incorporated, or registered and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country.*

- *Bidders must have experience under construction contracts in the role of contractor, subcontractor, equipment manufacturer or management contractor for at least the last Ten (10) years prior to the submission deadline.*
- Participation as contractor, management contractor, or subcontractor, equipment manufacturer in at least two (2) contracts for overhead transmission lines and two(2) contracts for substations of 230kV and/or above within the last ten (10) years up to the submission, With values of not less than Thirty million US Dollars (30 million US Dollars) each.

The sum of route length of overhead transmission line contract(s) of 230kV and/or above should not be less than fifty (130) km , and at least one(1) contract having

- above should not be less than fifty (130) km , and at least one(1) contract having 400kV and/or above line bays, transformer, transformer bays have been successfully completed on turnkey basis within the last ten (10) years up to submission
- At least one(1) overhead transmission line and one(1) substation contracts in the above have been implemented outside of bidder's country
- Submission of audited balance sheets and income statements or, if not required by law of the Bidder's country, other financial statements acceptable to the Employer, for the last five(5) years to demonstrate the current soundness of the Bidder's financial position and its prospective long-term profitability. As a minimum, a Bidder's net worth calculated as the difference between total assets and total liabilities should be positive.
- The average annual turnover and the cash-flow requirement for the Bidder's organization or Joint Venture, Consortium or Association shall not less than the following
    - i. average annual turnover : US\$ 85million with the last five (5) years.
    - \* The partner in charge in case of JV, Consortium, or association shall meet not less than 40% and each partner shall meet not less than 25% of this minimum criteria
    - ii. Cash-flow requirement: US\$ 25million.
    - \* The partner in charge in case of JV, Consortium, or association shall meet not less than 40% and each partner shall meet not less than 25% of this minimum criteria.
  - 4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Ethiopian Electric Power and inspect the bidding documents at the address below from 8:00 AP to 5:00 PM Local Time (Addis Ababa).
  - 5. A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by any interested Bidders on the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of USD 200 (Two hundred US dollars) or an equivalent amount in the Ethiopian Birr . The method of payment will be non direct deposit to the following account.

**Transmission Construction A/C No.: 1000252665203, Commercial Bank of Ethiopia (CBE), Arada Ghiorgis Branch; and EEP BUMBUNA HPP A/C No.0101181300051, National Bank of Ethiopia (NBE), Swift Code: NBETETAA, for ETB and USD respectively.**

The document will be provided to registered representative of the Bidders by hard and softcopies with PDF files from the day of Bid issued.

This Invitation shall take effect until 15 November 2021, after publication in the official website or in a newspaper of general nationwide

- 6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **15 November 2021**. Electronic bidding is permitted. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidder's representatives who choose to attend at the address below at **15 November 2021 at 10:30 AM** local time (Addis Ababa). Online bid opening shall be also arranged.
- 7. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security of **USD 1,500,000** (One million five hundred thousand US dollars) fixed mount. The Ethiopian Electric Power will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by Bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of Bids. The address referred to above is:

**Attention to: Mr. Kefyalew Mergiya**

**Director, EEP Procurement**

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