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**BF-Ouagadougou: EDF — works to strengthen the Sakoinsé-Boromo
(RN1 — 121,9 km) section of the CU 2a community road — Burkina Faso**

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Firm phase from KP 26 to KP 121,9

Conditional phase from KP 0 to KP 26

Works contract notice

1. **Publication reference:**
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2. **Procedure:**
Open. The invitation to tender is issued with a suspension clause: the effective contract signature is subject to the signature of the 10th EDF financing agreement 'Sectoral support for infrastructure and transport'.
3. **Programme:**
10th EDF.
4. **Financing:**
Financing agreement No BF/FED/22381.
5. **Contracting authority:**
Minister for Economy and Finance of Burkina Faso, EDF National Authorising Officer, Ouagadougou, BURKINA FASO.

Contract specifications

6. **Contract description:**
The works to strengthen the Sakoinsé-Boromo (RN1 – 121,9 km) section of the CU2a community road, which will be carried out in the Boromo-Sakoinsé direction, comprise:
 - any moving of networks within the urban utilities networks (electricity, water, telephone, lighting, etc.),
 - site preparation, cleaning and shrub clearance alongside the roadway,
 - earthworks: using steps to widen the roadway from 9 to 12 m and to 24 m, raising the red line at KP 85,3 and reusing the access embankments of the bridge over the Mouhoun at KP 112,6,
 - laying of a sub-base course and base course,
 - using cement (measured out at approximately 3 % over 25 cm) to improve the ground support (existing sub-base and base courses),
 - laying of a fibreglass grating and applying a monolayer surface dressing to the cement-improved part, including supply,
 - manufacture and application of bituminous emulsion 14 foundation 35/50 (class 3 bituminous base course) over 8 cm of thickness on part of the road,
 - manufacture and application of bituminous emulsion 10 binder 35/50 over 5 cm of thickness on part of the road,
 - manufacture and application of bituminous emulsion 10 surface 35/50 over 5 cm of thickness on the whole road,
 - supply and application of a 2-layer surface dressing on the road shoulders,

- installation of 3 roundabouts, crossroads and initial sections giving access to the adjacent roads,
- construction of 22 car parks on both sides of the road, where villages are located, using cement concrete surfacing,
- construction of roads in interlocking block paving in Sabou,
- making a dual carriageway with central reservation and auxiliary lanes in the Boromo through route,
- construction of a longitudinal draining structure at KP 221,9 (Pâ),
- construction of a longitudinal draining structure at KP 117,308 (Boromo),
- lengthening of 94 drainage structures from 2 to 5 m, rehabilitation of hydraulic structures and civil engineering structures,
- construction of 8 357 linear metres of drainage channels using reinforced concrete in different sections and protection via ditches, walled ditches, kerbs, ripraps and gabions of the road shoulders, embankment slopes, embankment-slope bases and outlets for the structures,
- installation of road signs and application of road-markings, boundary marking, installation of security facilities: audible warning devices, barriers, trapezoidal speed ramps and construction of a tollbooth in Boromo,
- specific environmental protection works: repair of quarries and borrow pits, drilling, construction of school fence walls, paths, planting of trees, awareness raising activities on sexually transmitted infections (STIs)/AIDS, regarding road safety, environmental protection and protection against unwanted pregnancies,
- complete cleaning of the work site before provisional acceptance of the works.

The dossier can be consulted free of charge in Burkina Faso, at the offices of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Access, Public Procurement Directorate (DMP/MID), 03 PO Box 7011, Lamizana Building, 3rd floor, Ouagadougou 03, BURKINA FASO. Tel. +226 50326477 / 50324918. Fax +226 50324926. E-mail: dmpmid@yahoo.fr

7. **Numbers and titles of lots:**

The works are to be carried out in a single lot, but are divided into a firm phase from KP 26 to KP 121,9 and a conditional phase from KP 0 to KP 26.

Conditions of participation

8. **Eligibility and rule of origin:**

Participation in the contract is open on equal terms to all natural persons and legal entities (irrespective of whether they are taking part as individuals or as part of a grouping (consortium) of tenderers) from the EU Member States and the ACP countries and territories, and also to international organisations, as authorised by the instrument applicable to the programme under which the contract is financed (see also point 22 below). All the goods supplied under this contract must originate in these countries.

9. **Grounds for exclusion:**

Tenderers must sign and submit the declaration, included with the tender form for a works contract, to the effect that they are not in any of the situations listed in section 2.3.3 of the Practical Guide to contract procedures for EU external actions.

10. **Number of tenders:**

Tenderers may not submit more than 1 tender per lot. Tenders for part of the single lot will not be considered. Tenderers may not submit a variant tender in addition to their tender for the work required in the invitation to tender dossier.

11. **Tender guarantee:**

Tenderers must provide a tender guarantee of 1 000 000 EUR when they submit their tender. This will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers once the invitation to tender procedure has been completed and to the successful tenderer(s) once the contract has been signed by all parties.

12. **Performance bond:**

The successful tenderer will be required to provide a performance bond for 10 % of the contract value when the contract is signed. The bond must be furnished within 30 days of the date on which the tenderer receives the contract signed by the contracting authority. If the successful tenderer does not provide the bond within the time allowed, the contract will be rendered void and a new contract may then be drawn up and sent to the tenderer who submitted the second lowest-priced compliant tender.

13. **Briefing and/or site visit:**

A mandatory briefing and site visit will be arranged for 11.5.2011 from 8:00 onwards at the General Directorate for Roads, located on the Gounghin Industrial Estate.

Attendance should be confirmed with: General Directorate for Roads, Directorate for Planning, Studies and Monitoring, Gounghin Industrial Estate, 03 PO Box 7004, Ouagadougou, BURKINA FASO. Tel. +226 50498005. Fax +226 50343572. E-mail: sp_dgr@yahoo.fr

14. **Tender validity:**

Tenders are to be valid for 90 days from the final date for submission of tenders.

15. **Implementation deadline:**

The deadline is 30 months for the firm phase, 6 months for the conditional phase and the overall deadline is 36 months, including the rainy seasons.

Selection and award criteria

16. **Selection criteria:**

* Candidate's economic and financial capacity:

— the average annual turnover for roadworks during the past 3 years must have been 52 000 000 EUR or more,

— sole tenderers must have access to sufficient credit and other financial facilities to cover the required cash flow for the duration of the contract. In any event, the amount of available credit must be at least equivalent to 5 000 000 EUR,

— in the case of a grouping of companies/consortium, at least 1 member's average annual turnover in the past 3 years must have been equivalent to 52 000 000 EUR or more, and the average annual turnover of all the other members as a whole in the past 3 years must have been equivalent to 26 000 000 EUR or more.

* Candidate's technical and professional capacity:

— general experience: the candidate must have completed 3 projects relating to construction of road infrastructure in countries in sub-Saharan Africa over the past 5 years,

— specific experience: he must have completed at least 2 projects of the same nature/value/complexity in comparison with the works (to construct or strengthen at least 100 km of asphalt concrete surfaced roads, including 1 with road layer improvement using cement) covered by the tender which were carried out during the following period: 5 years from the end of the tender deadline, dates to be specified. The contracting authority reserves the right to request copies of final acceptance certificates signed by the awarding authorities/supervisors for the projects concerned.

This means that the project which the tenderer refers to might have begun, been carried out or completed at any moment during the period given, but does not necessarily need to have begun and been completed during this period, or have been carried out during the whole of said period,

— he must carry out at least 70 % of the work under the contract using his own resources, which means that he must have the equipment, materials, human resources and financial means needed to carry out this portion of the contract,

- the principal member of a joint venture/consortium must have the capacity to carry out at least 50 % of the works under the contract using his own resources,
- a partner in a joint venture/consortium (i.e. not the principal member) must have the capacity to carry out at least 10 % of the works under the contract using his own resources,
- all his managerial staff must be suitably experienced and have proven qualifications relating to works of a similar nature to those in the project in question defined in the following table:

* Specifications for the staff responsible for performance of the works:

- staff; qualification; experience; observations:
- works director; public works engineer (5 years' higher education or equivalent) or civil engineer; at least 10 years for works of a similar nature and volume, including at least 5 years as project manager for roadworks (performance of works to construct, rehabilitate or strengthen asphalt-concrete roads); 3 years in countries in sub-Saharan Africa;
- geotechnical engineer; public works engineer (5 years' higher education or equivalent) or civil engineer specialising in road geotechnics, with a thorough knowledge of road surfacing materials; at least 10 years in road construction. In his position he will have carried out at least 1 construction, rehabilitation or strengthening works project comprising the laying of asphalt concrete and a cement-improved road layer; 3 years in countries in sub-Saharan Africa;
- works foremen; road engineer (4 years' higher education or equivalent) or senior highway technician (2 years' higher education or equivalent); at least 5 years' experience (for an engineer) or 10 years' experience (for a senior technician) in coordinating and managing on-site operations at construction sites for asphalt-concrete surfaced roads; 2 years in countries in sub-Saharan Africa;
- works foremen; road engineer (4 years' higher education or equivalent) or senior highway technician (2 years' higher education or equivalent); at least 5 years' experience (for an engineer) or 10 years' experience (for a senior technician) in coordinating and managing on-site operations at construction sites for surfaced roads and specific experience in road layer improvement using cement; 2 years in countries in sub-Saharan Africa;
- laboratory manager; senior technician (2 years' higher education or equivalent) with at least 6 years' experience and excellent knowledge of laboratory tests and works inspection procedures especially for works to improve lateritic materials using cement, and asphaltting works; 2 roadworks sites;
- environment expert; graduate (4 years' higher education or equivalent); at least 10 years' general experience and has carried out at least 2 environmental impact monitoring and evaluation projects.

The list of staff presented above is not restrictive. It is the tenderer's responsibility to provide the staff necessary to carry out the works to deadline and according to the rules of the trade.

An economic operator may, if necessary and for a specific contract, make use of the capacities of other entities irrespective of the legal nature of the connection between himself and said entities. As a guideline, it might not be considered appropriate by the contracting authority when the tender relies mostly on the capacities of other entities or relies on the capacities of other entities for the key criteria. In this event, he must provide the contracting authority with proof that he will have the resources needed to carry out the contract by, for example, producing a written commitment by said entities to make such resources available. Such entities, for instance the parent company of the economic operator, must respect the same rules of eligibility, and notably that of nationality, as the economic operator. Furthermore, the information relating to this third entity/these third entities for the relevant selection criteria must be included in a separate document. Proof of their capacity must also be provided when requested by the contracting authority.

17. **Award criterion:**
Price.

Tender submission

18. **Procedures for obtaining the invitation to tender dossier:**

The invitation to tender dossier can be obtained from the Public Procurement Directorate (DMP/MID), 03 PO Box 7011, Lamizana Building, 3rd floor, Ouagadougou 03, BURKINA FASO. Tel. +226 50326477 / 50324926, against payment of 750 000 XOF (not including carriage). It can also be consulted in the contracting authority's offices at the address given in point 5. This amount will have been paid to the Public Procurement Directorate General (DGMP), 01 PO Box 6444, Ouagadougou 01, BURKINA FASO. Tel. +226 50324775 / 50324612. The standard tender form enclosed in the invitation to tender dossier must be used to draw up tenders. The clauses and format of this form must be strictly adhered to.

Any questions about this invitation to tender must be sent in writing to the Public Procurement Directorate (DMP/MID), 03 PO Box 7011, Lamizana Building, 3rd floor, Ouagadougou 03, BURKINA FASO. Tel. +226 50326477 / 50324918. Fax +226 50324926. E-mail: dmpmid@yahoo.fr (quoting the publication reference in point 1) at least 21 days prior to the final date for submission of tenders given in point 19.

With faxed or e-mailed copy to the:

— Directorate General for Roads (DGR), 03 PO Box 7004, Ouagadougou, BURKINA FASO. Tel. 226 50342950/78/03. Fax +226 50343572. E-mail: sp_dgr@yahoo.fr

— Delegation of the European Union, 01 PO Box 352, Ouagadougou 01, BURKINA FASO. Fax +226 50492999. E-mail: delegation-burkina-faso@ec.europa.eu

The contracting authority must reply to the questions no later than 11 days prior to the final date for submission of tenders. Clarifications or minor amendments to the invitation to tender dossier will be published at least 11 days prior to the final date for submission of tenders on the EuropeAid Internet site at the following address: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome>

19. **Final date for submission of tenders:**

Tenders must arrive at or be delivered to the following address: Secretariat of the Public Procurement Directorate (DMP/MID), 03 PO Box 7011, Lamizana Building, 3rd floor, Ouagadougou 03, BURKINA FASO. Tel. +226 50324775 / 50324612. Fax +226 50324926, by 29.6.2011 (9:00), i.e. the time at which the envelopes will be opened. They will be opened immediately in the presence of those tenderers' representatives wishing to attend.

Tenders received after this deadline will not be considered.

20. **Tender opening session:**

Tenders will be opened at 9:00 on the same day in the Conference Room of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Access, 2nd floor of the Lamizana Building, Ouagadougou, BURKINA FASO.

21. **Language for the procedure:**

All correspondence regarding this procedure must be in French.

22. **Legal basis:**

ACP-EC Partnership Agreement signed in Cotonou on 23.6.2000, as amended on 25.6.2005 and in 2008 (Annex IV).