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**AO-Luanda: EDF — project 10.ACP.ANG.1 — institutional support for development of the water and sanitation sectors in Angola — supply and installation of equipment, reagents, miscellaneous laboratory equipment and furniture, computer equipment and vehicles
2011/S 185-301631**

Republic of Angola

Supplies contract notice

1. **Publication reference:**
EuropeAid/131766/D/SUP/AO.
2. **Procedure:**
International open invitation to tender.
3. **Programme:**
Development.
4. **Financing:**
10th European Development Fund (EDF) — FEDF-BFEDF-02.10.10.01-10-AO, financing agreement No AO/FED/2008/021-027, project No 10.ACP.ANG.1, approved.
5. **Contracting authority:**
EDF National Authorising Officer, Luanda, REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA.

Contract specifications

6. **Description of the contract:**
In the context of the Country Strategy Paper and the 10th EDF National Indicative Programme, the Angolan authorities requested financial support from the European Commission for project 10.ACP.ANG.1 — institutional support for development of the water and sanitation sectors in Angola.
The overall aim of the project is 'to reduce the prevalence of poverty in Angola, by reaching the millennium development goals for water and sanitation' and the specific aim of the programme is to ensure that 'water and sanitation services in Angola run in a sustainable and efficient manner'.
Based on the constraints of the aforementioned sectors and taking into account other institutional support projects which may be implemented at the same time as this project, it is proposed that the European Commission's activities should focus on the following measures: (i) human resources development; (ii) improving the quality of water for domestic use; (iii) peri-urban and rural sanitation (decentralisation). With the aim of improving the quality of water for domestic use, the project includes provision of equipment, reagents, miscellaneous laboratory equipment and furniture, computer equipment, vehicles and motorcycles for the capitals of the provinces covered and mobile squads for the municipalities.
The supplies component will support laboratories in the following provincial capitals: 1) Ndalatando; 2) Benguela; 3) Lubango; 4) Saurimo; and 5) Uíge. This component will also benefit the other provinces, through the supply of equipment and other resources for mobile squads (mobile laboratories and equipment, kits and reagents for tests and analyses, motorcycles, etc.).
7. **Number and titles of the lots:**
The supplies are divided into 8 lots:
lot 1: laboratory equipment for provincial capitals.

- Lot 2: equipment for tests and analyses in the field for mobile squads.
Lot 3: glass and plastic laboratory equipment.
Lot 4: 1-year supply of reagents and other chemicals for provincial capitals.
Lot 5: 1-year supply of reagents and other chemicals for mobile squads.
Lot 6: furniture for laboratory premises, including benches and cupboards.
Lot 7: computer equipment.
Lot 8: vehicles.

Conditions for participation

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

Participation in this invitation to tender is open to all entities (either as individuals or as consortia) from the European Union Member States and from the countries and territories of the regions covered and/or authorised by the Regulation on access to Community external assistance or other specific instruments applicable to the programme including the Cotonou Agreement (see point 21). All equipment supplied under this invitation to tender must originate from countries covered by the aforementioned conditions.

9. **Grounds for exclusion:**

Tenderers must furnish a signed declaration, in compliance with the application form for a supply contract, that they comply with all the rules set out in section 2.3.3 of the 'Practical Guide to contract procedures for EC external actions'.

10. **Number of tenders:**

Tenderers may only submit 1 tender per lot. Tenders for part of a lot cannot be accepted. Tenderers may state in their tenders whether they are prepared to grant a discount should their tender be accepted for several lots. Tenderers may not submit for approval tenders for equipment with specifications which differ from those indicated in the invitation to tender.

11. **Tender guarantee:**

Tenderers must furnish a bank guarantee equivalent to 2 % of the value of the tender. This guarantee will be returned to unsuccessful tenderers once the tender opening session has been completed and the successful tenderer has been notified. It will be returned to the latter after the contract has been signed by all parties. This guarantee will be drawn on if the successful tenderer does not honour the obligations laid down in the tender.

12. **Performance bond:**

The successful tenderer will be required to set up a performance bond for the supply of the equipment, for 10 % of the tender 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 furnish the bond the contract may be rendered void and a new contract may be drawn up with the tenderer listed in second place.

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

There are no plans for a briefing.

14. **Validity of tenders:**

Tenders are valid for 90 days from the final date for receipt of tenders.

15. **Implementation period:**

The supplies under this contract must be delivered within 150 calendar days of the date on which the successful tenderer signs the contract.

Selection and award criteria

16. **Selection criteria:**

The following selection criteria will be applied to individual tenderers and tenderers in consortia.

(a) Tenderer's economic and financial capacity (see section 3 of the conditions for the submission of tenders):
the objective of this economic capacity check is:

— to verify that the tenderer, should he be awarded the contract, has the financial capacity to meet his obligations under the tender,

— to verify that the tenderer is financially stable in order to guarantee fulfilment of the contract.

Example of check:

— the tenderer's average turnover must be greater than the value of the tender submitted for approval.

(b) Tenderer's professional capacity (see sections 4 and 5 of the conditions for the submission of tenders):
the objective of this professional capacity check is:

— to verify that the tenderer has the technical capabilities to fulfil the conditions laid down.

Example of check:

for certification of professional capacity it is useful to analyse:

— the number of employees in the company,

— a list of the principal customers.

(c) Tenderer's technical capacity (see sections 5 and 6 of the conditions for the submission of tenders):
the objective of this technical capacity check is:

— to verify that the tenderer has the experience needed to meet the conditions laid down.

Example of check:

— to verify the list of work of this nature which the tenderer has performed successfully in the previous 3 years.

17. **Award criteria:**

Price, or should it seem economically advantageous, service quality/price ratio.

Tender submission

18. **Obtaining the invitation to tender dossier:**

The invitation to tender dossier can be obtained from the following web address: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome>

It is also available from the following address:

Technical and Administrative Unit for ACP-EC Cooperation, EDF National Authorising Office, Ministry of Planning, Avenida Comandante Valódia n.º 7 — R/C, Luanda, REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA. Tel. +244 222344765 / 222344778 / 222344034. Fax +244 222344034. E-mail: utaminplan@snet.co.ao

Only the equipment listed in the dossier may be specified in the tender. Presentation of the tender must follow the order and format shown.

Questions concerning this invitation to tender should be sent in writing to:

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(quoting the publication reference in point 1) at least 21 days prior to the final date for submission of tenders.

The contracting authority must reply no later than 11 days prior to said final date for submission of tenders.

Answers to questions may be published at the following web address: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome>

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

Tenders must arrive by 28.11.2011 (10:00), local time, at the following address:

Technical and Administrative Unit for ACP-EC Cooperation, EDF National Authorising Office/Ministry of Planning, Avenida Comandante Valódia, n.º 7 — R/C, Luanda, REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA.

Tenders received after this date will not be accepted.

20. **Tender opening session:**

The tender opening session will take place on 28.11.2011 (10:30), local time, at the following address:
Technical and Administrative Unit for ACP-EC Cooperation, EDF National Authorising Office/Ministry of
Planning, Avenida Comandante Valódia, n.º 7 — R/C, Luanda, REPUBLIC OF ANGOLA.

21. **Language:**

Tenders must be submitted in Portuguese.

22. **Legal basis:**

Cotonou Agreement, signed on 23.6.2000.