Invitation to tender

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1. Contracting authority

1.1 Official name and address of the contracting authority

Authority of need/Authority of assignment: Federal department of Foreign affairs (FDFA) Authority of procurement/Organizer: Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) Division, attn Ms. Enrichetta Placella, Freiburgstrasse 130, 3003 Berne, Switzerland, E-mail: enrichetta.placella@eda.admin.ch

1.2 Offers should be sent to the following address

PLEASE DO NOT OPEN
Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)

Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) Division, attn Ms. Enrichetta Placella, Freiburgstrasse 130, 3003 Berne, Switzerland

1.3 Desired deadline for questions in written form

20.03.2015

Remarks: No information is given by telephone. Any question can be made by 20.03.2015 anonymously in the forum space at www.simap.ch. Questions submitted late cannot be answered. Answers will be published on www.simap.ch by 30.03.2015. The bidders are themselves responsible for downloading the answers from SIMAP and for taking them into consideration in the preparation of the bids.

1.4 Deadline for submitting offers

Date: 24.04.2015, **Specific deadlines and formal requirements:** Bids contain all documentation in accordance with Section 5 Contents of the Bid and are to be submitted as follows:

The "Technical Proposal" and "Financial Proposal" shall be submitted in one envelope and shall contain

- a. one original signed hard copy of the Technical and Financial Proposal labelled "Original"
- b. two signed copies of the Technical and Financial Proposal labelled, "Signed Copy"
- c. one data storage device (e.g. CD, DVD or Memory Stick) of all Technical Proposal and all Financial Proposal Documents.

1.6 Type of contracting authority

Confederation (Central federal administration)

1.7 Type of procedure

1.8 Type of commission

Order for services

1.9 According to GATT/WTO agreement, respectively treaty

No

2. Objects of procurement

2.1 Service category CPC:

[27] Other services

2.2 Project title of the acquisition

Reducing the Burden of Non-Communicable Diseases

2.3 Reference / project no.

7F-06103.99

2.4 Common Procurement Vocabulary

CPV: 98300000 - Miscellaneous services, 85140000 - Miscellaneous health services

2.5 Detailed task description

The project comprises of four main intervention lines. First, a strong policy dialogue at the national level will be led by the Swiss Cooperation Office, with support from the WHO and the selected project implementer/facilitator. Second, the project will support the district public health centres and other local stakeholders in clarifying their role in health promotion and in strengthening their engagement in health-related activities, including the coordination of community groups. Third, the project will support the empowerment and organization of community groups around health in order to increase the demand for quality health services and healthy environments. Finally, the project will facilitate changes related to the provision of PHC services to improve their quality and accessibility.

A Project Facilitation Unit shall be set up to support and monitor the financial and operational implementation of the project. Project activities shall be implemented by local actors/institutions both from private and public sectors, as well as from civil society.

Detailed specifications are described in the tender documents.

2.6 Location where service is supplied

Republic of Moldova

2.7 Division into lots?

No

2.8 Will variants be accepted?

Yes

Remarks: Variants are to be indicated expressly as such and to be submitted separately in addition to the basic bid. The bidders must give reasons in writing for the advantages and equivalence of the variants in relation to the achievement of objectives. Otherwise they will not be taken into consideration.

2.9 Are partial offers permitted?

No

Remarks: Partial offers are not permitted.

2.10 Implementation date

Start 01.07.2015 and finish 31.12.2019

Remarks: Preliminary phase: 01.07.2015 – 31.12.2015

Phase 1: 01.01.2016 - 31.12.2019

3. Conditions

3.1 General conditions of participation

None

3.2 Deposits/guarantees

None

3.3 Conditions of payment

None

3.4 Costs to be included

None

3.5 Consortium of bidders

Consortia of the bidders are permitted. If a bidder participates in the procedure as part of a consortium, it must identify a member of the consortium who performs the lead function. The bidder lists all members and their roles. All members of the consortium together bear responsibility for the bid.

3.6 Subcontractor

Subcontractors are permitted. If the bidder engages a subcontractor to provide certain services, the the bidder bears full responsibility for the provided services. It lists all subcontractors involved with their assigned roles.

3.7 Suitability criteria

based on the criteria given in the documentation

3.8 Evidence required

based on the evidence required in the documentation

3.9 Award criteria:

based on the criteria given in the documentation

3.10 Conditions for obtaining the tendering documentation

Application to receive the tendering documentation desired by: 24.04.2015

Costs: none

3.11 Languages for offers

English

3.12 Validity of offers

180 days after deadline for receipt of offers

3.13 Supplying source of the tendering documentation

at www.simap.ch

Languages of documents: English

Further information for obtaining the tendering documentation: Further information to obtain the tender documentation: The documentation on the public call to tender for the project mentioned can be downloaded from the platform www.simap.ch under: Running procedures, Confederation, Invitations to tender. In order to do so, you first have to register in the mentioned project. You will then be able to log in and use the password that you will have been sent by e-mail to download the documentation desired.

4. Other information

4.1 Conditions for countries not party to the WTO agreement

None

4.2 Terms of business

General Conditions of Business Mandate Agreement for Project Implementation, version July 2012. These General Conditions of Business (GCB) shall be deemed accepted by the Contractor on submission of the offer

4.3 Negotiations

remain reserved

4.4 Basic procedural principles

The contracting authority awards public contracts for services provided in Switzerland only to the bidders who ensure compliance with the health and safety regulations and employment conditions for employees, as well as equal pay for women and men.

If the service is provided abroad, the bidder must ensure at least compliance with the International Labour Organization's fundamental conventions in accordance with Annex 2a PPO.

These principles shall be deemed accepted by the Contractor on submission of the offer.

4.5 Additional information

- 1. The option of directly awarding follow-up mandates is reserved.
- 2. The tender proceeds in accordance with Section 3 of the Federal Ordinance on Public Procurement (FOPP). There is no right of appeal.

4.6 Official organ of publication

www.simap.ch