

# ELETRICIDADE DE TIMOR-LESTE E MPREZA PÚBLICA EDTL, E.P. COMISSÃO EXECUTIVA



1º Andar Edifício de Caicoli, Av. Mártires da Pátria, Dili, Timor-Leste

Tender Notice - Timor-Leste Solar PV Plant and BESS Project

# Eletricidade de Timor-Leste, E.P. Tender Notice No. OCB/003/EDTL-EP-2023

Date: 27 February 2023

Tender Identification No: OCB/003/EDTL-EP-2023

# 1. Identification and contacts of the awarding entity

Designation of the awarding entity: Eletricidade de Timor-Leste, E.P. (the Competent Entity).

NIF/TIN: 1332633

Address: 1º Andar Edifício de Caicoli, Av. Mártires da Pátria, Dili, Timor-Leste

Phone Number: 8001000 / 3339258

Email: info@edtl-ep.tl

# 2. Object of the tender

The Competent Entity is seeking to award a power purchase agreement for:

- (a) the design, build, financing, operation, and maintenance of a 72-85 MWac solar plant project (Solar PV Plant), a 36-42.5 MW/1 hour battery energy storage system (BESS), a substation (Substation) (together the Facility), balance of plant, integrated communications and control systems in the area around Manatuto and transmission infrastructure to connect to Timor-Leste's network (collectively the Project); and
- (b) the long term purchase of energy and BESS services,

to support the development of the renewable energy industry and to improve the stability of the electrical grid in Timor-Leste (the **Contract**) through a fair, transparent and competitive bidding process in accordance with the Timor-Leste Law and international best practices (**Bidding Process**).

#### 3. Non-Disclosure Agreement

All persons (each a **Bidder**) who request this Tender Notice in response to the announcement published at www.mof.gov.tl; www.edtl-ep.tl; www.dgmarket.com; www.devex.com and who wish to submit a bid (**Bid**) must sign the non-disclosure agreement (a form of the non-disclosure agreement is attached to this Tender Notice) and submit such signed non-disclosure agreement through the Virtual Data Room in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders (**ITB**) 14.

Only Bidders who have signed the non-disclosure agreement are invited to access the Bidding Documents and submit sealed Bids in response to the Bidding Documents with above Contract Identification No. OCB/003/EDTL-EP-2023 in relation to the Contract.

# 4. Type of procedure

Bidding will be conducted through a competitive bidding procedure with a single stage, three envelope procedure that is open to all Bidders.

#### 5. Value of the Procurement

No base price is offered. Bidders to provide their best price for evaluation.

## 6. Contracting in lots

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The contracting for the Project will not be in lots.

#### 7. Place or Location of execution of the activities under the Contract

Country: Timor-Leste Municipality: Manatuto Administrative Post: Laleia

Suco: Lifau

#### 8. Duration of the Contract

The Competent Entity expects the term of the Contract to be 25 years, commencing after the Solar PV Plant and the BESS achieve commercial operation.

### 9. Required qualification documents

- the Letter of Qualification Bid in accordance with ITB 18 and Appendix 3;
- written confirmation authorizing the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder, in accordance with ITB (ii)
- the Qualification Bid Form in accordance with ITB 20; (iii)
- a sworn statement of unconditional acceptance of the Bidding Documents; and (iv)
- a sworn declaration that the Bidder is not barred from participating in the Bidding Process. (v)

# 10. Consultation of the Bidding Document

Bidders may obtain the Bidding Documents (except the Part III Bidding Documents) free of charge upon receipt of this Tender Notice by sending an email to the address below for access to the Virtual Data Room, which contains Bidding Documents:

Email: solaripp@edtl-ep.tl and timsolar@adb.org

The Bidders shall only obtain access to the Bidding Documents once they have submitted the signed Non-Disclosure Agreement through the Virtual Data Room.

Bidders may seek further clarification or information through the email addresses above or Virtual Data Room. However, the Virtual Data Room is the preferred method of communication and clarifications or information requests that are not issued through the Virtual Data Room may not receive a response.

Bidders may obtain the Part III Bidding Documents (refer to paragraph 19 below) free of charge, upon notification by the Competent Entity that any or all of these documents are available by directly downloading these documents from the Virtual Data Room.

#### 11. Fees

Prospective bidders wishing their Bids to be evaluated are required to pay an administrative fee of USD 100 to the Competent Entity by depositing such amount into any of the following bank accounts. The Bidder shall provide the proof of a successful deposit transaction to the Competent Entity before submitting Bids.

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: BNU Timor Bank

Account Name : ELETRICIDADE DE TIMOR-LESTE E.P. (EDTL E.P.)

Account Number : 1436 1530 1000 1

: TL38 0020 1436 1530 1000 162 **IBAN** 

SWIFT CODE : CGDITLDI



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Bank : Mandiri Timor-Leste

Account Name : ELETRICIDADE DE TIMOR-LESTE E.P. (EDTL E.P.)

Account Number : 601 0001 0036 67

IBAN : TL38 0050 601 0001 0036 6775

# 12. Place, date, and time of the site visit and pre-bid conference

A site visit shall be held on 22 March 2023 at 9:00 hours Timor-Leste Time at the address noted in item 1. Bidders (or their designated representative) are required to attend the site visit.

A pre-bid conference shall be held on 23 March 2023 at 15:00 hours Timor-Leste Time at the address noted in item 1. The Bidders may also attend the pre-bid conference virtually using the link below. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is recommended however, non-attendance will not disqualify the Bidders from the Tender.

# 13. Bid Security

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security for the value of US\$2,300,000, in accordance with the requirements of ITB 26.

#### 14. Performance Security and Quality Security

The winning Bidder is required to provide Performance and Quality Securities in the amount of 10% of the value of the Contract.

The Performance and Quality Securities must be submitted to the Competent Entity at least 5 days before the execution of the Contract in the form required in the Bidding Documents.

#### 15. Form of presentation of Bids

Bids must be delivered to the address above on or before May 1, 2023. Submission of electronic Bids will be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. No liability will be accepted by the Competent Entity for loss or late delivery of the Bid. Evaluation & Qualification Criteria and other details are documented in the Bidding Document.

Bids will be publicly opened at the above address, immediately after the Deadline for Bid Submission and in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend.

# 16. Language

This Tender Notice, the Bidding Documents and the Contract are issued in English. The Bidding Process will be conducted in English.

## 17. Minimum period of validity of the bids

Bids shall remain valid for 180 days after the Deadline for Bid Submission above. A Bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected as nonresponsive.

#### 18. Award criteria

The Contract is awarded to the Bidder who:

(i) satisfied the Qualification Criteria;

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- (ii) passed all technical and financial evaluations; and
- (iii) subject to confirmation by the Competent Entity, results in the best value for money to the Competent Entity and, more generally, to Timor-Leste.

#### 19. Bidding Documents

This invitation is accompanied by the following Bidding Documents:

- (i) Part I This Invitation to Bid;
- (ii) Part II Bidding Procedures:
  - (a) Section 1 Instructions to Bidders (ITB);
  - (b) Section 2 Bid Data Sheet; (BDS)
  - (c) Section 3 Evaluation and Qualification Criteria (EQC);
  - (d) Section 4 Bidding Forms (BDF).

Bidders will be notified when the following Bidding Documents become available:

- (iii) Part III Conditions of Contract and Schedules:
  - (a) Section 5 Contract; and
  - (b) Section 6 Contract Forms (COF)

#### 20. Taxes

All duties, taxes, and other levies payable by the Contractor under the Contract, or for any other cause, as of the date 28 days prior to the Deadline for Bid Submission, shall be included in the rates and prices and the total bid price submitted by the Bidder.

#### 21. No Liability of the Competent Entity

The Competent Entity will not be responsible for any costs or expenses incurred by Bidders in connection with the preparation or delivery of their Bids. This Tender Notice does not constitute a solicitation to invest, or otherwise participate, in the Contract or the Project. The Competent Entity reserves its right, in their sole discretion, to modify this Tender Notice, the Bidding Documents and/or the Contract or to suspend, cancel or restart the Bidding Process at any time to the fullest extent permitted by law, and shall not be liable to reimburse or compensate the Bidder for any costs or expenses incurred in such an event.

# 22. Definitions

In addition to the definitions in this Tender Notice, capitalised expressions in this Tender Notice have the meaning given to them in the ITB.

## 23. Next Steps

Please respond to this announcement by submitting a request to access the Virtual Data Room in accordance with item 10 above.

Dr. Paulo da Silva

The President of EDTL, E.P.

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