

Pre-bidding Conference Minutes
ITB for Supply of Medical Equipment to Perinatal Centers in Tiraspol and Bender.
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UN Conference Room

Agenda of the day:

1. Short introduction on ITB purpose
2. Qs & As

1. SHORT INTRODUCTION ON ITB PURPOSE

- Purpose:
- selection of the supplier of medical equipment to deliver the equipment to Perinatal Centers in Tiraspol and Bender;
 - entering into contract for delivery, installation, training, guarantee and servicing of the medical equipment.

2. Questions & Answers (Q&A)

Q1: Is that possible to arrange for UNDP representative to accompany the equipment while shipping it from right bank of Dniester to the left bank of the river?

A1: On the date of the delivery of the equipment to the Transnistrian region, a representative of the UNDP project will be available for the supervision and coordination in order to assist with informing the Transnistrian counterparts and obtaining the proper clearance at the entrance into the region. The UNDP has received the preliminary confirmation that the Transnistrian beneficiaries will provide sufficient support for smooth import of the medical equipment into the region.

Q2: The imports from the right bank of Dniester River are currently subject to 100% tax in the Transnistrian region of Moldova. What kind of taxes will be imposed on the medical equipment? What taxes will bear the supplier of medical equipment? Is it assumed that the supplier will incur only the taxes for import into Republic of Moldova and there will be no additional taxes for shipping the good into Transnistrian region?

A2: The medical equipment will be imported into Transnistrian region as humanitarian aid. The Transnistrian counterparts show an interest in receiving the equipment and have assured that the equipment will be not subject to any taxation when shipping into the region.

Q3: The whole bulk of equipment is consisting of various shipments that may arrive at different times. Isn't it more efficient to gather all the items at once at one temporary storage in the right bank and organize the whole shipment into Transnistrian territory at once?

A3: Yes, we would suggest combining all the shipments arriving from abroad at different times and plan to deliver it into Transnistrian region as one shipment.

Q4: Is it possible to extend the delivery terms to 8 weeks?

A4: Yes, we agree to increase the delivery terms to 8 weeks from the date of signature of the contract.

Q5: What is the number of the accessories to include into the items? Shall the price for accessories be shown separately?

A5: The number of accessories is indicated in the technical specifications. Please include price for the requested number of accessories into the price of item. Please also provide a separate price list for accessories for the future reference which the beneficiary hospitals may use when placing the order for additional accessories. Please make the financial offer as detailed as possible to reflect the price of accessories.

Q6: Are the bid security and performance security presented at once?

A6: No, the bid security is offered at the submission of the tender offer and shall be valid until the end of the tender evaluation. The performance security will be provided by the successful bidder as of the date of signing the supply contract. Performance guarantee shall be released within 30 days after the final acceptance of the goods.

Q7: What will happen when the stock of supplies/accessories shall be exhausted? Is UNDP going to assure the Transnistrian beneficiaries with the new supplies?

A7: The beneficiaries are supposed to be self-sustainable after the delivery of the equipment under this tender. The UNDP does not make any commitments to buy any additional supplies or accessories after the fulfillment of the supply contract.

Q8: How we send the bid bond if the proposal to be sent by email?

A8: Please send it in scanned format, by email.

Q9: Are deviations acceptable?

A9: Deviations are not acceptable. Although the technical specifications have been drafted in order not to discriminate any eligible manufacturer/supplier, the alternative option can be considered in order to support the competitive tendering and sufficient number of eligible offers.

Q10: Do you need an agent for each equipment or a company who can handle the service inside Moldova?

A10: Please provide a certificate or any other proof that for all offered equipment there is an official representation/dealer/company in Moldova or in the nearby region that will cover warranty issues and take care of maintenance/repair in case of need during the requested 3 years warranty period.

Q11: Could you please clarify, is the delivery term DDU Tiraspol and Bender, or is it DDU Chisinau?

A11: The delivery term is DDU Tiraspol and Bender.

Q12: Could you please clarify if a company from Israel can participate in this tender?

A12: There are no limitations for participation based on the region or continent.

Q13: What are the payment conditions under the UNDP supply contract?

A13: The payment will be broken down into three installments: (1) delivery, (2) installment, setup and training, (3) final acceptance.

Q14: Will the guarantee terms be established by the time of signing the supply contract?

A14: The requested warranty shall be for 3 years from the date of commissioning (putting into function) of the equipment.

Q15: Shall the supplier insure the equipment until their final destination in Tiraspol and Bender?

A15: The insurance of the medical equipment shall be borne by supplier.

Q16: Can UNDP offer a certificate to support the import and the delivery of the equipment into the Transnistrian region?

A16: Yes, the UNDP Moldova project will provide to the supplier a certificate confirming that the equipment and accessories are delivered as a part of UNDP programme.