



Additional information about the Contract Notice

Contract title: "Supply of melting induction furnace unit - 1 unit"

Ref: BGTR0300119-PP2-SUP-01 Location – Vize, Kırklareli, Türkiye

Please note that the awarding of the contract is subject to the prior adoption of a financing decision and the prior conclusion of a financing agreement.

1. Nature of contract

For supply contracts: unit price

2. Programme title

Interreg VI-A IPA Bulgaria-Türkiye Programme

3. Financing

The reference number BGTR0300119, entitled 'Uniting Borders for Clean and Energy Efficient Metal Industry in the cross-border area of Bulgaria and Türkiye', acronym: SustainaMetal under the Interreg VI-A IPA Bulgaria—Türkiye Programme 2021—2027.

4. Legal basis, eligibility and rules of origin

Legal basis, eligibility and rules of origin:

The legal basis of this procedure is Regulation (EU) No 2021/1529 establishing the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA III).

See Annex a2a1 of the Practical Guide.

For this contract award procedure, financed by the Interreg VI-A IPA Bulgaria—Türkiye Programme 2021–2027, participation is open to all natural persons who are nationals of and legal persons (participating either individually or in a grouping – consortium – of candidates/tenderers) which are effectively established in a Member State of the European Union or in an eligible country or territory as defined under Article 11 of Regulation (EU) No 2021/1529.

Participation is also open to international and regional organisations.

For supply contracts, all supplies under this contract may originate in any country.

5. Candidature

All eligible natural and legal persons (as per item 4 above) or groupings of such persons (consortia) may participate or tender.

A consortium may be a permanent, legally established grouping or a grouping which has been constituted informally for a specific procurement procedure. All members of a consortium (i.e., the leader and all other members) are jointly and severally liable to the contracting authority.

The participation or tender of an ineligible natural or legal person will result in the automatic exclusion of that person. In particular, if that ineligible person belongs to a consortium, the whole consortium will be excluded.

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6. Number of requests to participate or tenders

No more than one request to participate or tender can be submitted by a natural or legal person whatever the form of participation (as an individual legal entity or as leader or member of a consortium submitting a request to participate or tender). In the event that a natural or legal person submits more than one request to participate or tender, all requests to participate or tenders in which that person has participated will be excluded.

In case of lots, the candidates or tenderers may submit only one request to participate or tender per lot. Contracts will be awarded lot by lot and each lot will form a separate contract. If the tenderer is awarded more than one lot, a single contract may be concluded covering all those lots.

7. Grounds for exclusion

Not applicable

8. Sub-contracting

Sub-contracting is allowed.

9. Number of candidates to be short-listed

Not applicable. This is a supply contract under an open procedure.

10. Short-list alliances prohibited

Not applicable. This is a supply contract under an open procedure.

11. Provisional date of invitation to tender

31.10.2025

12. Provisional commencement date of the contract

December 2025

13. Period of implementation of tasks

The period for implementation of tasks under the current contract is 12 (twelve) months / 365 (Three Hundred Sixty-Five) days from contract signature, until the acceptance.

14. Language of the procedure

All written communications for this tender procedure and contract must be in English.

15. Additional information

Financial data to be provided by the candidate in the request to participate form or the tenderer in the tender submission form must be expressed in EUR. If applicable, where a candidate or tenderer refers to amounts originally expressed in a different currency, the conversion to EUR shall be made in accordance with the InforEuro exchange rate of **November 2025** which can be found at the following address: http://ec.europa.eu/budget/graphs/inforeuro.html.

SELECTION CRITERIA

16. Selection criteria

Capacity-providing entities

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An economic operator (i.e. candidate or tenderer) may, where appropriate and for a particular contract, rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links it has with them. If the economic operator relies on other entities, it must in that case prove to the contracting authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for the performance of the contract by producing a commitment by those entities to place those resources at its disposal. 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 relying on them and must comply with the selection criteria for which the economic operator relies on them. Furthermore, the data for this third entity for the relevant selection criterion should be included in a separate document. Proof of the capacity will also have to be provided when requested by the contracting authority.

With regard to technical and professional criteria, an economic operator may only rely on the capacities of other entities where the latter will perform the tasks for which these capacities are required.

With regard to economic and financial criteria, the entities upon whose capacity the economic operator relies, become jointly and severally liable for the performance of the contract

The following selection criteria will be applied to the tenderers. In the case of tenders submitted by a consortium, these selection criteria will be applied to the consortium as a whole if not specified otherwise. The selection criteria will not be applied to natural persons and single-member companies when they are sub-contractors.

The tenderer shall not use previous experience which caused breach of contract and termination by a contracting authority as a reference for selection criteria.

The selection criteria for each tenderer are as follows:

- 1) Economic and financial capacity of the tenderer (based on item 3 of the tender form). In case of tenderer being a public body, equivalent information should be provided. The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three financial years for which accounts have been closed.
 - the average annual turnover of the tenderer over past three years must exceed the value of the Tenderer's Financial offer.
- 2) Professional capacity of the tenderer (based on items 4 and 5 of the tender form).

The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years preceding the submission deadline.

Professional criteria for legal and natural persons:

- has a professional certificate appropriate to this contract, such as official registration to produce and/or trade with the similar equipment for metal processing or similar industry according to the relevant national legislation.
- the candidate or tenderer has, during the current year and the previous two years, on average, at least: 10 personnel directly employed or otherwise legally contracted on a permanent or non-permanent basis in areas of specialist knowledge related to this contract.
- The tenderer shall hold valid regulatory and quality certificates appropriate to the manufacturing and/or trading and/or servicing of industrial induction melting furnaces, or equivalent equipment:
 - A valid EU Declaration of Conformity and CE marking for the offered equipment, proving compliance with Machinery Directive 2006/42/EC, Low Voltage Directive 2014/35/EU, and EMC Directive 2014/30/EU, or equivalent national transpositions;
- 3) <u>Technical capacity of tenderer</u> (based on items 6 of the tender form). The reference period

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which will be taken into account will be the last three years preceding the submission deadline.

• The candidate has provided supplies under at least 3 (three) contracts relating to the production and/or supply of induction ovens and /or similar equipment for the metal or similar industry with at least 40% of the tender offer value which was implemented at any moments during the following period: 01.12.2022-01.12.2025.

This means that the contract the tenderer refers to could have been implemented at any time during the indicated period but it does not necessarily have to be completed during that period, nor implemented during the entire period. Tenderers are allowed to refer either to supply contracts completed within the reference period (although started earlier) or to supply contracts partially implemented during, but not yet completed within the reference period. Only the part completed during the reference period will be taken into consideration. This part will have to be supported by documentary evidence (approval of report or deliverable, proof of payment, statement or certificate from the entity which awarded the contract) also detailing its value. If a tenderer has implemented the supply contract in a consortium, the percentage that the tenderer has successfully completed must be clear from the documentary evidence (such as consortium agreement and bank transfers between consortium members), together with a description of the nature of the supplies provided.

Award criteria

Price

PARTICIPATION

17. Requests to participate format and details to be provided

Not applicable. This is a supply contract under an open procedure.

18. How requests to participate may be submitted

In order to participate, economic operators will not need to register in the European Commission's <u>Participant Register</u> - an online register of organisations participating in EU calls for tenders or proposals (PIC registration). Therefore the PIC number will not need to be filled in in the request to participate form (Annex b3) and tender submission form (Annex b8n).

Requests to participate must be submitted in English exclusively to the contracting authority in a sealed envelope.

- Either by post or by courier service, in which case the evidence shall be constituted by the postmark or the date of the deposit slip, to:

Contact name: Hakan Tuğran / Vize Casting Industry and Trade Limited Company, Address: Devlet Mahallesi Atatürk Caddesi No:310 Vize / Kırklareli / Türkiye

Or hand delivered by the participant in person or by an agent directly to the premises of the contracting authority in return for a signed and dated receipt, in which case the evidence shall be constituted by this acknowledgement of receipt, to:

Contact name: Hakan Tuğran / Vize Casting Industry and Trade Limited Company, Address: Devlet Mahallesi Atatürk Caddesi No:310 Vize / Kırklareli / Türkiye

The contract title and publication reference (see contract notice) must be clearly marked on the envelope containing the request to participate and must always be mentioned in all subsequent correspondence with the contracting authority.

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Requests to participate submitted by any other means will not be considered.

19. Deadline for submission of requests to participate

The candidate's attention is drawn to the fact that there are two different systems for sending requests to participate: one is by post or private mail service, the other is by hand delivery.

In the first case, the request to participate must be sent before the date and time-limit for submission, as evidenced by the postmark or deposit slip¹, but in the second case it is the acknowledgment of receipt given at the time of the delivery of the request to participate that will serve as proof.

The deadline for submission of requests to participate can be found in the contract notice.

Any request to participate sent to the contracting authority after this deadline will not be considered. The contracting authority may, for reasons of administrative efficiency, reject any request for participation submitted on time but received, for any reason beyond the contracting authority's control, after the effective date of approval of the short-list report, if accepting requests to participate that were submitted on time but arrived late would considerably delay the evaluation procedure or jeopardise decisions already taken and notified.

20. Clarifications on the contract notice

Any request for clarifications must be made in writing through the F&T Portal². This concerns request for clarifications about the contract notice and also request for clarifications about the content of the document called "Additional information to the contract notice." F&T Portal login is required to be able to create and submit a question. Clarifications can be requested by clicking "Create a question" in the Questions & Answers tab at the latest 21 days before the deadline for submission of requests to participate stated in the contract notice.

Clarifications will be published on F&T Portal at the latest 8 days before the deadline for the submission of requests to participate. The website will be updated regularly and it is the candidates responsibility to check for updates and modifications during the submission period.

21. Outcome of the evaluation

By submitting a request to participate candidates accept to receive notification of the outcome of the procedure by electronic means. Such notification shall be deemed to have been received on the date upon which the contracting authority sends it to the electronic address referred to in the request to participate form.

22. Alteration or withdrawal of requests to participate

Candidates may alter or withdraw their requests to participate by written notification prior to the deadline for submission of requests to participate. No requests to participate may be altered after this deadline.

Any such notification of alteration or withdrawal shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with precedent item. The outer envelope (and the relevant inner envelope if used) must be marked 'Alteration' or 'Withdrawal' as appropriate.

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It is recommended to use registered mail in case the postmark would not be readable.

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