

Letter of Invitation

Single Stage Open Competitive Selection

Zvolen District Heating Project – Consultant for company development

Zvolen, 31 March 2020

Dear Sir or Madam,

1. The International Investment Bank (the “IIB” or the “Bank”) is providing a loan of up to EUR 31 million to the Zvolenská teplárenská, a.s. (the “ZVTP” or “Company” or “Client”) in the City of Zvolen (“Zvolen” or the “City”) in Slovakia.
2. The Bank’s financing will be focused on construction of a new biomass fired district heating plant with total installed capacity of about 77.5 MW. The investment is aimed to replace existing coal-powered DH plant ceased to meet emission limits with wood biomass and will contain a new complete plant including DH plant rehabilitation works, supply and installation of biomass and gas boilers.
3. The rationale for the investment stems from the need to decrease the emission of SO₂, NO_x and dust in accordance with Directive 2010/75 / EU of the European Parliament and Decree of the Ministry of the Environment of the Slovak Republic No 410/2012. Continuing operations requires rebuilding the plant and installing modern technology, making it operational no later than on 30.6.2020, since the Company will no longer be able to use coal in the heating plants because of regulatory constraints.
4. The investments will be procured in accordance with the IIB’s Procurement Rules for projects financed by International Investment Bank.
5. The Company and the Bank is now in discussion about funding for the project of assistance of an experienced and reputable consultancy firm or consortium of consultancy firms (the “Consultant”) required in order to provide consultancy for company development. Signing of contract is subject to availability of funding.
6. The Company now invites proposals to provide the following consulting services (hereinafter called “Services”): Zvolen District Heating Project – Consultant for company development. More details on the Services are provided in the Terms of Reference (Section 2.1).
7. A firm will be selected under *Quality / Cost based Selection (QCBS)* procedures and in a *Full Technical Proposal (FTP)* format as described in this RFP, in accordance with the policies of the Bank, detailed in Procurement Rules for Projects Financed by International Investment Bank which can be found at the following website: <https://iib.int/en/tenders-procurement-rules>
8. The RFP includes the following documents:

Section 1.1 - Letter of Invitation

Section 1.2 - Instructions to Consultants and Data Sheet

Section 1.3 – Evaluation Criteria
Section 1.4 - Technical Proposal (FTP) – Standard Forms
Section 1.5 - Financial Proposal - Standard Forms
Section 2.1 - Terms of Reference
Section 3.1 - Standard Form of Contract

9. Details on the proposal's submission date, time and address are provided in Clauses 18.8 and 18.10 of the ITC.

10. The package of Request for proposal will be send to interested companies electronically and can be obtained by sending email to contact below (duplinsky@zvtp.sk).

Yours sincerely,

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