



NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO INVITE FOR BID

TO: *Participating countries from NATO according to the
Distribution List (according to Annex A)*

The Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Bulgaria, in its capacity as a HOST NATION, announces its intention to send an **Invitation For Bid (IFB)** selecting a contractor for Projects 3AF31050 “Provide new on-base JFSI for AAR”, 3AF31051 “Provide new aircraft parking and maintenance platform”; 3AF31052 “Modify Runway”, part of Capability Package CP 9A1301 „Air-to-Air Refueling Assets in Allied Command Europe“ and Project 3AF31053 “Provide parking platform” part of Capability Package CP 9A1385 „Defensive and Offensive Air assets in SACEUR’s AOR“ under NATO Security investment programme (NSIP).

1. Short description:

Project 3AF31050 including construction of:

- Expansion of the existing storage area for fuel storage for JET engines with two additional tanks with a nominal working unit volume of 300 m³, each in a reinforced concrete sarcophagus with a domed roof and emergency ventilation installation;
 - Two vertical stairs and a platform with a protective ring railing for access to the area of the level gauges and the breathing equipment on the roof of each tank;
 - Expansion of an existing pumping station with additional equipment - pump, together with gas separator, fine filter, filter separator, flow meter and valve;
 - Pipeline for transporting fuel to the platform for refueling tanker aircraft;
 - Construction of a road for fire-fighting purposes;
 - Site sewerage network for drainage of possible leaks;
 - Expansion of the SCADA installation with the necessary equipment for monitoring, measurement and control of the new facilities;
 - High voltage power supply installation and reserved power supply with diesel generator, as well as earthing and lightning protection installations;
 - Work, emergency and evacuation lighting;
 - Fire alarm system and video surveillance system;
 - Reconstruction of part of the existing road infrastructure between the railway landing station and the platform for Air-to-Air Refueling aircrafts;
 - Street lighting on the connecting road between the railway landing station and the platform for Air-to-Air Refueling aircrafts.

Project 3AF31051 including construction of:

- The project foresees construction of a new platform (apron) for parking, maintenance and inspection of 2 aircraft for Air-to-Air Refueling (AAR), with approximate dimensions: length of 120 m and width of 90 m, sized for an aircraft KC-135;
- Construction of a new taxiway for access to the platform;
- Reconstruction and extension to the required width and PCN of existing taxiways "G" and TWY "H";
- Collector underground pipeline system with two hydrants for refueling;
- Fire-fighting reservoir with a capacity of 380 m³, water pipeline made of polyethylene pipes PE 100 and above-ground fire hydrants;
- Site sewerage network for waters contaminated by oil derivatives and discharged into a coalescent separator;
- Drainage system for rainwater by means of slot drainage system, collecting shafts with cast iron grate, discharged into the newly designed earthen embankment drainage ditches;
- One storey building for staff up to 10 people, necessary for the location of the operational staff near the parking lot for the two fuel tanks;
- Airfield ground lighting system of the platform , the new and the existing TWY with LED edge lights, as well the necessary illuminated airfield guidance signs;
- Apron lighting with LED floodlight mounted on hot-dip galvanized steel masts;
- High voltage power supply, pipe duct system, earthing and lightning protection installations;
- Video surveillance system.

Project 3AF31052 including construction of:

- Hammerhead in both runway ends to change the movement direction of aircrafts with concrete pavement;
- Construction of RWY Stopways in both directions with length of 150,00 m.;
- Reconstruction of the pavement throughout the whole runway length;
- Construction for efficient drainage of hammerhead and the Stopways to be discharged into the existing drainage system of the RWY;
- Change of the configuration of the existing airfield lighting system according to the requirements for CAT II and its conformity with the runway modification and adding hammerhead while relocating the threshold and runway end lights, edge and center line and add lights at the hammerhead;
- New airfield illuminated mandatory and guidance signs of the runway to the stopbar position at all taxiways inclusive in conformity with the new configuration and the requirements of the regulations;
- Replacement of the power-supply and control systems for the airfield lighting.

Project 3AF31053 including construction of:

- Platform for deployment of a transit transport aircraft, suitable for hazardous materials;
- Reconstruction and extension to the required width and PCN of the existing taxiway "E" at its part from the runway to the future platform;
- Drainage system for rainwater by means of slot drainage system, collecting shafts with cast iron grate, discharged into the newly designed earthen embankment drainage ditches;
- Airfield ground lighting system and the existing TWY "E", from the runway to the platform, with LED edge lights and the necessary illuminated guidance signs;
- Apron lighting with LED floodlight mounted on hot-dip galvanized steel masts;
- High voltage power supply, pipe duct system, grounding and lightning protection installations;
- Video surveillance system.

2. No inspection is planned.

3. Approximate estimated value (without VAT, taxes and customs duties):

Project 3AF31050: BGN 15 200 000.00;
Project 3AF31051: BGN 12 700 000.00;
Project 3AF31052: BGN 70 700 000.00;
Project 3AF31053: BGN 6 980 000.00.

4. Reference numbers of the documents of the International Secretariat for requesting and allocating the funds:

**AC/4(PP)D/28297, AC/4(PP)D/28288, AC/4(PP)D/28289, AC/4(PP)D/28290,
AC/4-DS(2021)0016**

5. Deadline by which firms must formally express their desire to be invited to participate in the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedure: **17.00 o'clock local time on 03 January 2022.**

Candidates originating by the NATO Member States participating in **CP 9A1301** and **CP 9A1385** in the "29B" format must have a "Declaration of Eligibility" (Annex B) in Bulgarian or English issued by a designated competent authority in the country of origin of the firm. Ministry of Economy of the Republic of Bulgaria issues the Declaration of Eligibility for Bulgarian entities.

Pursuant to sub-paragraph 5 (ii) (b) of NATO Document AC/4-D/2261, the firm must have performed or performs activities and services similar to those specified, or be able to prove through its future bidding offer its ability to fulfill the object of the contract. Listing names of firms that are unlikely to participate in the ICB for the intended work, should be avoided.

The Declaration of Eligibility shall be sent to the host nation through 1) the diplomatic mission of the candidate country of origin in the host nation's capital, or

2) through the Permanent Delegation of the firm's country at NATO to the Permanent Host Country Delegation at NATO after a preliminary notifying the host nation about the choice of this way (paragraph 5 (iii) (a) of NATO Document AC/4-D/2261). **Declarations received directly from applicants and after the deadline will not be accepted.**

Candidates invited to participate in the procedure may join together and submit a joint bid. If the association is not a legal entity, a Declaration of Eligibility must be issued for each of its members. The requirement for a Declaration of Eligibility applies to subcontractors, as well.

6. Declarations of Eligibility shall be submitted to the following address in the host nation:

Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Bulgaria

Directorate-General "Defense Infrastructure"

section "NATO Security Investments"

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7. Deadline for "cahier des charges" distribution: 10 January 2022.

8. Closing date for bids: 42 calendar days from the date "cahier des charges" has been distributed.

9. Bid validity date: 6 months as of the date of submission of the bid.

Bidding firms will be required to provide a declaration of validity of their bids under the template of the cahier des charges. A bidding firm that has offered a shorter validity period for his bid will be eliminated from the procedure. If necessary, the host nation will invite bidding firms to extend the validity of their bids until a contract is concluded. A bidding firm that refuses to extend the validity of its bid shall be eliminated.

10. Reference number to be used later to identify the project: 3AF31050, 3AF31051, 3AF31052, 3AF31053

11. Tender method envisaged: Standard one-step procedure (lowest price), in accordance with paragraph 6 (A) of NATO Document AC/4-D/2261.

12. One fixed-price contract (for all projects) will be concluded with one contractor. It is prohibited to bid partially (not for all projects included in this ICB).

13. Expected date for signing a contract: **June 2022.**

14. Expected date for completion of the contract: **September 2023 г.**

15. Level of information classification: NATO UNCLASSIFIED.

16. The host nation does not intend to use a questionnaire for a general financial and technical examination of applicants under the meaning of paragraph 6A (k) of AC/4-D/2261.

17. List for distribution: according to Annex A.

Detailed information for the ICB will be included in the “cahier des charges”, which will be distributed to the firms subject of a Declaration of Eligibility, in accordance with the host nation's instructions as stated above and the NATO procedure.

Annexes:

Annex A – Message distribution list.

Annex B – Template of a Declaration of Eligibility.

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