

ANNOUNCEMENT

The power sector of the Republic of Moldova has achieved important results through a process of reforms and restructuring over the last 20 years. The Ministry of Economy and Infrastructure is a primary policy setting body, responsible for defining energy priorities and leading the sector dialogue. The Energy Strategy 2030 proposes joining the European market by strengthening the interconnection transmission capacities with neighboring Romania as first step to joining the ENTSO-E (European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity). Asynchronous interconnection with Romania was identified as an optimal solution to improve security of electricity supply and to establish a competitive electricity market in Moldova.

Responding to the Government of Moldova's request, IFIs (WB, EBRD, EIB, UE NIP) have accepted to finance the asynchronous interconnection of Moldovan power grid with Romania through an Interconnection Project, consisting of the construction of a 600 MW Back-to-Back (BtB) station and domestic transmission network reinforcement. The Financiers agreed the construction of the BtB station to be financed by the EBRD, EIB and EU Neighborhood Investment Platform, while the domestic transmission network reinforcement to be supported by the World Bank. The proposed project, at a total estimated cost of about EUR 261 Million, will require the procurement of the following goods, works and services:

1. Design and construction activities of Vulcanesti Back-to-Back Station including integration with Romania and Moldova power systems;
2. Construction of 400 kV Vulcanesti-Chisinau overhead high voltage line;
3. Extension of two existing substations (Chisinau 330 kV substation and Vucanesti 400 kV substation);
4. Strengthening power dispatch and metering system of the SE Moldelectrica;

The acquisition of the activities mentioned in the 1st item will have to comply to the EBRD's Procurement Policies and Rules, while the acquisition of the 2nd, 3rd and 4th items will have to comply to WB procurement rules.

The corresponding General Procurement Notices (GPNs) on the Project have been published on the EBRD site (<https://ecepp.ebrd.com/delta/viewNotice.html?displayNoticeId=7993473>) and on the [UN Development Business](#) platform.

Specific procurement notices for contracts subject to open international competitive procurement will be announced, as they become available, on the EBRD platform ECEPP, on the [UN Development Business](#) platform, on the World Bank's external website, on the MEPIU's and SE Moldelectrica's websites (www.mepiu.md, www.moldelectrica.md), as well as in Logos-Press, a national newspaper in the Republic of Moldova.

Interested eligible firms and individuals who wish to be considered for the provision of goods, works and non-consulting services for the above-mentioned project, or those requiring additional information, shall contact the Project Implementation entities at the address below:

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