

REPUBLIC OF TÜRKİYE

EASTERN TÜRKİYE MIDDLE CORRIDOR RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

TRANSPORT

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Loan No.: 8753-TR

Project ID No.: P179128

The Republic of Türkiye has received financing in the amount of US\$ 660.000,00 equivalent from the World Bank toward the cost of the Eastern Türkiye Middle Corridor Railway Development Project. This project will be co-financed by the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank and Islamic Development Bank. The Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure which is the Implementation Agency of the Project intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, non-consulting services and consulting services to be procured under this project.

The project will include the following components:

Component 1. Rehabilitation and Modernization of the Divriği-Kars-Georgia Border Railway Line (tentative allocation: US\$1,339.2 Million): Component 1 entails the brownfield rehabilitation and modernization of the Divriği-Kars-Georgia border railway line—an existing, outdated, and capacity-constrained international railway link in eastern Türkiye, 660km in length. The target line connects Türkiye with Georgia and the rest of the Middle Corridor to the east; provides basic connectivity between eastern and western provinces of Türkiye; and is a section of the Middle Corridor within Türkiye. Component 1 activities comprise engineering design services, civil works including construction/rehabilitation of 143km of standard gauge or dual gauge railway line, main tracks and sidings, bridges, terminals, stations, drainage structures, protective structures, and other facilities and installation of signaling and telecommunication systems along the entire 660km alignment, and construction supervision services.

Component 2. Project Management (tentative allocation: US\$5.5 Million)

This component will finance the mobilization of a specialized firm with expertise in project management, engineering design and construction (including climate resilience), social and environmental monitoring, citizen engagement, results monitoring and evaluation, and other aspects of project implementation oversight, to staff the Project Implementation Unit.

A brief description of the works and consulting services to be procured through open international competitive procurement:

- 1) Design and infrastructure and superstructure works for the Divriği-Kars section of the target line, plus electrification and signalization of the entire Divriği-Kars-Georgia border line.
- 2) Design and infrastructure and superstructure works for the Kars-Georgia border section of the target line.
- 3) Consultancy services for Project Implementation Consultant to support Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure in implementation of the project activities throughout the implementation period.
- 4) Consultancy services for construction supervision for the rehabilitation and modernization of the Divriği-Kars-Georgia border railway line.

Procurement of contracts financed by the World Bank will be conducted through the procedures as specified in the World Bank's *Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers dated September 2023 (Procurement Regulations)*, and is open to all eligible firms and individuals as defined in the *Procurement Regulations*. The World Bank shall arrange the publication on its external website of the agreed initial procurement plan and all subsequent updates once it has provided a no objection.

Specific procurement notices for contracts subject to open international competitive procurement will be announced, as they become available on the World Bank's and Asian Infrastructure and Investment Bank's external websites and on the free accessible web site of Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure Directorate General of Infrastructure Investments (<https://aygm.uab.gov.tr>) and/or one of the newspapers of national circulation in the Republic of Türkiye and/or official gazette.

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

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