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CABO VERDE RENEWABLE ENERGY AND IMPROVED UTILITY PERFORMANCE PROJECT

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CLARIFICATION #2

Country: Cabo Verde

Name of Project: Renewable Energy and Improved Utility Performance Project

Contract Title: Request for Bidding - Procurement of Plant, Design, Supply, and Installation for Five (5) Energy Storage Systems in FOGO Island, SANTO ANTÃO Island, SÃO NICOLAU Island, MAIO Island and

BRAVA Island Cabo Verde

Loan No IBRD-92980

RFB Reference No.: 016/REIUP/UGPE 2

QUESTION 3: We would appreciate verification of whether the application of solid-state energy storage would disqualify us from preparing a bid for the project.

ANSWER N°3: Please refer to the ITB 13. 1 - **Alternative Bids shall not be considered** and ITB 13.4 - **Alternative technical solutions shall not be permitted.** Please refer to the Employer's Requirements regarding the specified technical solution

QUESTION 4: Please advise me on whether the tender will allow non-lithium energy storage.

ANSWER N°4: Please refer to the ITB 13. 1 - **Alternative Bids shall not be considered** and ITB 13.4 - **Alternative technical solutions shall not be permitted.** Please refer to the Employer's Requirements regarding the specified technical solution

QUESTION 5:Regarding the legal requirements stipulated by the laws of Cabo Verde and the specifications outlined in the tender documentation: Is it mandatory to register a Joint Venture (JV) company, or would entering into a JV agreement suffice to meet the requirements for participation in the bid?

ANSWER N°5: Bids submitted by a Joint Venture shall include a copy of the Joint Venture Agreement entered into by all the members. Alternatively, a letter of intent to execute a Joint Venture Agreement in the event of a successful bid shall be signed by all members and submitted with the bid, together with a copy of the proposed agreement.



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QUESTION 6: In the event that our JV is successful in securing the bid, we seek clarification regarding the procedure for bid payments. Specifically, would the payment be directed to the JV account, or should it be routed through one of the JV members?

ANSWER N°6: Payment can be performed to the account of the leader of the Joint Venture or to the account of one of the Joint Venture members designated by the Joint Venture.

QUESTION 7: In the process of preparing the bid security, we are facing the issue of how to correctly display the owner's name. Therefore, we propose the following two options to ensure our format meets the requirements, and we kindly request your confirmation on which method would be more appropriate:

Option 1: Please provide the complete English name of the owner so that our system can process and display it correctly.

Option 2: If we continue using the Portuguese name, we need to confirm whether we can omit special characters, for example, changing "Ministério das Finanças e do Fomento Empresarial" to "Ministerio das Finanças e do Fomento Empresarial".

The Employer is Unidade de Gestão de Projecto Especiais – Ministério das Finanças e do Fomento Empresarial.

Please choose an option based on the actual situation and inform us of your decision so that we can promptly prepare the appropriate bid security.

ANSWER N°7: The name of the Employer can omit special Portuguese characters. (e.g.: Unidade de Gestao de Projectos Especiais - Ministerio das Financas e do Fomento Empresarial).

Question 8: Additionally, we plan to submit the bid electronically and would like to confirm whether only one electronic file is needed, or if you have other specific requirements for electronic submission.

ANSWER N°8: Please refer to the ITB 23.1: "Technical and financial proposals must be sent in separate files, each one (i) clearly marked as Technical proposal, Financial proposal respectively and (ii) protected by a different password.

QUESTION 9: While carefully reviewing this part of the bid document, we came across the statement: "BESS minimum 3" and we would like further clarification on this statement. What does this



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expression mean? Does it indicate some specific requirement?

A list of major items of Plant and Installation Services is provided below.

The following Subcontractors and/or manufacturers are proposed for carrying out the item of the facilities indicated. Bidders are free to propose more than one for each item:

;Major Items of Plant and Installation Services	Proposed Subcontractors/Manufacturers	Nationality
BESS (minimum 3)		
Inverters		
EMS		
Transformers		
Switchgears		
Civil Works		

The Bidder shall provide a short company profile (max 10 pages) of the Subcontractors or manufacturers.

ANSWER 9: In the case of the Bidder is not a BESS manufacturer, **The bidder shall provide at** least three (3) BESS manufacturers.

Please refer to the Section III - Evaluation and Qualification Criteria - 1.3 - Equipment.

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