

Bus Transportation Services

Call for Nomination

Purpose

The purpose of this Contract is to provide bus transportation services to the ITER Organization for commuting, site visits and particular events.

Background

ITER is the next generation of Fusion machine, currently under construction in the South of France, in Saint-Paul-Lez-Durance. Currently, over 3000 people commute to the site every day and it is expected that this number will increase to over 3500 in the coming years.

Due to the remoteness of the ITER site and the absence of public transport facilities, the ITER Organization has set up a commuter bus service between the ITER site and the main places of residence of ITER staff.

Scope of services

The services shall include:

- The provision of bus services to cater for a minimum of four individual bus lines to transport ITER staff from Aix-en-Provence and Manosque to and from the ITER site on working days (Mondays to Fridays).
- The provision of a shuttle bus service running inside the ITER site during lunch hours on working days to serve the restaurant facilities on the site.
- The provision of a bus service to escort visiting officials attending ITER meetings from Aix-en-Provence to the ITER site throughout the year.
- The provision of a bus service to carry out site visits throughout the year.

Timetable

The tentative timetable is as follows:

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| • Pre-Qualification issuance | October 2017 |
| • Call for Tender issuance | November 2017 |
| • Call for Tender deadline | December 2017 |
| • Contract signature | March 2018 |
| • Start of services | October 2018 |

Experience

The Contractor shall be able to demonstrate that he can directly manage all the services described in this Call for Nomination.

The Contractor shall have at least one nominated person who is able to communicate effectively in the English language and prepare necessary documentation in English.

The quality assurance system implemented by the Contractor shall be based on a recognized quality standard meeting the ITER Quality Assurance Program requirements.

Candidature

Participation is open to all legal persons participating either individually or in a grouping (consortium) which is established in an ITER Member State. A legal person cannot participate individually or as a consortium partner in more than one application or tender. A consortium may be a permanent, legally-established grouping or a grouping, which has been constituted informally for a specific tender procedure. All members of a consortium (i.e. the leader and all other members) are jointly and severally liable to the ITER Organization.

The consortium groupings shall be presented at the pre-qualification stage. The tenderer's composition cannot be modified without the approval of the ITER Organization after the pre-qualification.

Legal entities belonging to the same legal grouping are allowed to participate separately if they are able to demonstrate independent technical and financial capacities. Candidates (individual or consortium) must comply with the selection criteria. The IO reserves the right to disregard duplicated reference projects and may exclude such legal entities from the pre-qualification procedure.