

REPUBLIC OF KOSOVA

Ministry of Economy and Environment (MEE) Kosovo Digital Economy Project (KODE)

Request for Bids Goods

(One-Envelope Bidding Process)

Country: Kosovo

Name of Project: Kosovo Digital Economy Project (KODE)

Contract Title: National Research Network (NREN) connectivity - Leasing Capacity

Service

Credit No: 6285 XK

RFB Reference No.: *KODE/G/2.2.4.5/2020*

Date: *September* 22, 2020

- 1. The Ministry of Economy and Environment (MEE) has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kosovo Digital Economy Project (KODE), and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for National Research Network (NREN) connectivity Leasing Capacity Service. For this contract, the Borrower shall process the payments using disbursement method, as defined in the World Bank's Disbursement Guidelines for Investment Project Financing, except for those payments, which the contract provides to be made through letter of credit.
- 2. The Ministry of Economy and Environment (MEE) / Kosovo Digital Economy Project (KODE) now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for National Research Network (NREN) connectivity Leasing Capacity Service, which includes the connections of the Higher Educational Institutions (HEI's) campuses residing within the Republic of Kosovo and NREN Data Center to enable access services provided from Kosovo's NREN and GEANT Network

- 3. Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" *dated July 2016, revised November 2017* ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
- 4. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Ministry of Economy and Environment (MEE) / Kosovo Digital Economy Project (KODE), Mr. Luan Asllani, E-mail: mzhe.tik@rks-gov.net and inspect the bidding document during office hours 09.00 to 16.00 hours (Kosovo time) at the address given below.
- 5. The bidding document in *English language* may be obtained by interested Bidders upon the submission of a written request (e-mail) to the address below. The document will be sent by e-mail.
- 6. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before *November 5, 2020*. Electronic Bidding *will not* be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on *November 5, 2020 at 14.00h Kosovo time*.
- 7. All Bids must be accompanied by a *Bid Security in a sum of* **5,000.00 Euro**.
- 8. The address(es) referred to above is:

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