



Republic of Serbia

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Working group for the implementation of the selection of a strategic partner for the implementation of the project of the construction of self-balancing large-capacity solar power plants with battery systems for the storage of electricity in the

Republic of Serbia

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SUBJECT: Clarification regarding the Public Call for the selection of a strategic partner for the execution of the project of construction without management (operation) or maintenance of self-balanced high-capacity solar power plants with battery systems for electricity storage in the Republic of Serbia

In accordance with the Public Call, we are issuing the following answers to the questions submitted:

Question No: 1.

Is this tender related to awarding contracts under which the Government of Serbia plans to build solar power plants in cooperation with strategic partners, or is the aim of the tender to find companies that want to build solar parks in order to sell the generated power to the state?

Answer:

As part of the Project implementation, the main obligations of the strategic partner precisely defined by the Public Call are as follows:

Project development, designing, procurement of necessary equipment and services, construction of the Project, initial operation and maintenance of the Project. In addition to the construction of solar power plants and battery systems for the storage of electricity, the strategic partner shall perform all other necessary activities, as well as the construction of all other infrastructure required for the normal functioning of the Project, as well as other obligations defined by the Public Call.

The strategic partner shall provide Letters of Intent (interest) from international financial institutions, banks, reputable export credit agencies, i.e. other sources of financing for the

implementation of the Project, with which the competent authorities would negotiate the elements of a loan agreement at a later stage of the process.

Question No: 2.

We would highly appreciate if you could provide more information about the objectives and conditions of this tender, in order to help us better understand how we could contribute as potential partners. Are there specific requirements or criteria that we might be interested in?

Answer:

The objective of implementing the strategic partnership procedure in accordance with the provisions of the Law on the Use of Renewable Energy Sources ("Official Gazette of the RS", Nos. 40/21 and 35/23) is the selection of a financially capable Bidder having a significant number of reference projects in its portfolio that are related to the subject matter of this procedure for the selection of a strategic partner, who can ensure the application of advanced technologies in the construction of solar power plants with a total installed capacity of 1 GW and in a manner that will enable the integration of electricity from variable renewable sources into the existing power system of the Republic of Serbia.

The Public Call defines the method of selecting a strategic partner for the implementation of the Project concerned, technical specifications, criteria for participation, criteria that represent the basis for evaluating bids, eligibility to participate, as well as all other relevant information about the Project and the method of submitting bids.

These answers are an integral part of the Public Call.

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