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To all candidates

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**Tender number:** 10001623  
**Project processing number:** G-018079-001  
**Project title:** Gender in Smart Cities / Resilient Urban Development: Gender and Digital Approaches as drivers for sustainable growth and recovery in Cities  
**Works/services tendered:** Technical Assistance to implement gender-responsive solid waste management / circular economy and green public spaces in India  
**Country:** India  
**Procedure type:** Negotiated procedure with competitive tender  
**Invitation to submit a request to participate**

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your interest in this procurement procedure.

The German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) has commissioned us to implement the above project. Against this background, Section 3.1 sec. 1 of the General Terms and Conditions of Contract applies to public pricing law.

Please submit your request to participate **by 12:00 noon (Berlin, Germany time zone) on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026**. Please submit your request to participate in **English** in accordance with the requirements stipulated in the procurement documents. Details of our submission

requirements are explained in this letter and in the requirements for application included with the procurement documents.

The request to participate consists of the following documents, which must be submitted in full:

- Self-declaration of eligibility with attachments
- Declaration by candidate/bidding consortium (*if relevant*)
- Declaration of eligibility based on the capacities of other entities (*if relevant*)

The following documents are not to be submitted at this stage, but only at the bid submission stage:

- Technical bid (including concepts and CVs)
- Price bid
- Declarations of availability

Technical bids are weighted at 70%, price bids at 30%. Fixed budget items for price bids specified in the competition documents are not included in the evaluation and weighting of the same. The following formula is used for weighting:

$$= 0,7 \times \frac{\text{technical evaluation of the bidder}}{\text{Evaluation of the best technical bid}} + 0,3 \times \frac{\text{best offer}}{\text{bidder's price}}$$

GIZ reserves the right to change the contract by taking up an option pursuant to Section 132 (2) no 1 German Act Against Restraints on Competition (GWB) or entering into a follow-on contract pursuant to Section 14 (4) no 9 German Ordinance on the Award of Public Contracts (VgV) (see Section 7 of the terms of reference).

If we receive more than 5 requests to participate, we will make a selection on the basis of the criteria laid out in the procurement documents and invite tenders only from the 5 candidates with the highest scores. We reserve the right to cancel the procurement procedure if we receive fewer than 3 requests to participate.

If it is not possible to make a clear selection of up to 5 candidates for the tendering phase on the basis of the criteria listed in the procurement documents (e.g. if a number of candidates achieve the same overall eligibility score), we reserve the right to increase the maximum number of 5.

We also reserve the right to award the contract on the basis of initial tenders without entering into negotiations.

We also reserve the right, once the initial tenders have been submitted, to make a selection on the basis of the criteria listed in the procurement documents and only to enter into negotiations with the 3 tenderers that receive the highest scores.

In addition, we reserve the right to conduct the negotiations in consecutive phases with a view to reducing the number of tenders under negotiation on the basis of the contract award criteria specified in the annex.

Planned schedule for the rest of the procurement procedure:

Information to candidates about results of evaluation of the requests to participate, and invitation to submit tenders to successful candidates.	Mid of June 2026
Deadline for submitting bids	Beginning of July 2026
Presentations	Mid of July 2026
Negotiations	Mid of July 2026
Invitation to submit final bids	Mid of July 2026
Information to tenderers about result of evaluation of bids	Mid of October 2026
Award of contract	End of October 2026
Commencement of service delivery	End of October 2026
Your tender will remain legally binding up to	30.11.2026

### Questions

Please raise any commercial, technical or procedural questions promptly, and no later than the deadline for submission of queries specified in GIZ's e-procurement tender platform. Questions can only be submitted electronically, using GIZ's e-procurement tender platform. Non-compliance may result in your tender not being considered.

### Sustainability

We have developed a Guide for Practicing Corporate Sustainability (GPS) so that our contractors can learn about corporate sustainability at GIZ. We invite you to go through GPS and obtain a participation certificate, which you can hand in with the proposal.

Participation in GPS does not influence the award decision in this procedure. However, we would very much welcome your taking part in GPS: <http://gps.giz.de/en>.

Our requirements for application and other procurement documents, which are listed in the annex below, also apply.

Yours sincerely,

Deutsche Gesellschaft für  
Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

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Contract Manager, E2A0  
Contract Management

(Sent electronically without signature)

## **Annexes**

1. Valid version of terms and conditions for application for the award of contracts for services and work in the version currently in force
2. Valid version of General Terms and Conditions of Contract (AVB) for supplying services and work on behalf of GIZ in the version currently in force
3. Terms of reference and annexes
4. Special terms and conditions of contract
5. Request to participate and self-declaration of eligibility for calls for competitive tender
6. Declaration of eligibility based on the capacities of other entities
7. Grid for assessing the eligibility of candidates/tenderers
8. Price schedule
9. Grid for the technical assessment of tenders above the EU threshold
10. Declaration by candidate/bidding consortium
11. Creditor master sheet (please complete separately for all members of a consortium)
12. Template local contributions contract
13. Guideline on local contributions in consulting contracts
14. Information on data processing in accordance with Article 13 of the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) ('data protection information')