

Invitation for Bids (IFB)

August 11, 2011

ROMANIA

MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

JUDICIAL REFORM PROJECT

LOAN No 4811-RO

Procurement of Information System for Audio Recording of Court Proceedings - ISARCP

IFB No: IBRD4811RO-MoJ/G-3-2

1. This Invitation for Bids (IFB) follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that appeared in UNDB online, issue ***No WB3793-690/06 of November 16, 2006***.
2. The *Government of Romania has received a loan* from the ***International Bank for Reconstruction and Development*** toward the cost of ***Judicial Reform Project***, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this *loan* to payments under the agreement(s) resulting from this ***IFB No: IBRD4811RO-MoJ/G-3-2, Procurement of Information System for Audio Recording of Court Proceedings – ISARCP***.
3. The **Ministry of Justice of Romania through the Department for Implementation of Externally Financed Projects (DIEFP)** serves as the implementing agency for the project and now invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for ***Procurement of Information System for Audio Recording of Court Proceedings - ISARCP***, an integrated digital solution, which will provide the support necessary for the implementation of the legal provisions (Law 304/2004 art. 13; deadline to enforce these provisions extended to 01.01.2012) regarding the audio recording of court proceedings in all the court rooms located on the territory of Romania and their subsequent transcription, as a measure that will fight corruption and increase the transparency of the judicial act.
4. Bidding will be conducted using the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits, edition of *May 2004, revised October 1, 2006 and May 1, 2010*, and is open to all Bidders eligible as defined in these Guidelines, that meet the following minimum qualification criteria:
 - **Financial Capabilities:** The Bidders must submit evidence for having:
 - (i) average turnover of more than EUR 10 million over the of the last 3 completed fiscal years (per each year, 2008-2009-2010); in case of a Joint Venture the partner in charge should account for at least EUR 4 million and each partner for no less than EUR 2.5 million. The Bidder must submit balance sheets for the last three completed fiscal years certified by a registered accountant or supported by copies of tax return;
 - (ii) stable liquidity position (bank reference for credit line minimum of EUR 1.6 million is required, available not later than the date of bids submission. Reference

for the equivalent cash deposit or a combination of bank line of credit and cash deposit is also acceptable).

- **Technical Capabilities:**

(iii) the Bidder or, in case of a Joint Venture, the partner in charge, must submit evidence for having experience as a prime contractor in at least one project (local or international) in the last 5 years with an estimated cost of at least EUR 4 million where the company successfully delivered and provided services with a similar complexity (i.e., development and customization, installation, integration, training and technical support for the proposed system).

(iv) all Joint Venture members other than the partner in charge must submit evidence for having experience as contractors (not necessarily prime contractors) in at least one project (local or international) in the last 5 years with an estimated cost of at least EUR 4 million where the company successfully delivered and provided services of a similar scale and of similar complexity with the ones it will provide given its role in the Joint Venture.

5. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from *the Department for Implementation of Externally Financed Projects, Judicial Reform Project* and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below from **13.00 - 16.00 PM local time from Monday to Thursday except Holidays**.
6. A complete set of bidding documents in **English** may be purchased by interested Bidders on submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee **EUR 100 or equivalent in Romanian Lei (RON) at the day of payment**. The method of payment will be through transfer to the DIEFP's Bank Account below.

The CD version will include the bidding documents in editable format. In case of conflicting contents, the printed version will prevail over the electronic one.

Bank: BCR DOAMNEI

Account No.: RO95RNCB0080058369270001 for Euro and
RO41RNCB0080058369270003 for Romanian national currency

SWIFT: RNCBROBU

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The document will be sent by courier paid by the interested bidder or handed over to the bidder or his authorized representative.

7. Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before **September 26, 2011**. Bids **need** to be secured **by a Bid Security**. **The amount of Bid Security required is EUR 100,000**. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address below at **12.00 hours local time on September 26, 2011**.
8. The attention of prospective Bidders is drawn to (i) the fact that they will be required to certify in their bids that all software is either covered by a valid license or was produced

by the Bidder and (ii) that violations are considered fraud, which can result in ineligibility to be awarded World Bank-financed contracts.

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