

FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA
ETHIOPIAN ROADS AUTHORITY
INVITATION FOR PREQUALIFICATION FOR
Bedele-Metu Road Upgrading Project

The Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia has applied for financing from the African Development Fund, hereinafter referred to as the ADF, in various currencies towards the cost of the Bedele-Metu Road Upgrading Project and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to eligible payments under the contract for which this Invitation for Prequalification is issued.

The Ethiopian Roads Authority, acting for the Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia as the Executing Agency and hereinafter referred to as “the Employer,” intends to prequalify contractors for the following two civil works contracts under this project:

- i. Contract 1: 0+000 – Km 61
- ii. Contract 2: Km 61 – Km 111+600

The two works contracts consist of Upgrading of the existing bituminous road to a DS4 Standard Asphalt Concrete surfacing with a 7m carriageway and 1.5m shoulders width in each side.

Prequalification is open to firms and voluntarily formed joint ventures from eligible source countries, in accordance with the **African Development Bank Rules and Procedure for Procurement of Goods and Works (May 2008 Edition)**. Applications can be made for one or both contracts; however, applicants will be prequalified for only one contract amongst the two contracts.

Eligible applicants may obtain the prequalification documents after 14 October 2011, with the submission of a written application from **Engineering Procurement Directorate, Ethiopian Roads Authority- Ras Abebe Aregay Street, 2nd Floor, Room Number 207, P O Box 1770, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, Tel: 251 11 551 50 02, Fax: 251 11 551 00 82.**

The request must clearly state “Request for Prequalification Documents for the Bedele-Metu Road Upgrading Project”. The documents are available for a non-refundable fee of Ethiopian Birr 500.00 or 30.00 US Dollars paid in cash or by telegraphic transfer to ERA’s account, National Bank of Ethiopia (NBE) Ac#0160101011500. The Ethiopian Roads Authority will promptly dispatch the documents by registered airmail, but under no circumstances will it be held responsible for late delivery or loss of the documents so mailed.

A minimum requirement for qualification is to have successfully carried out at least two projects of a value, nature and complexity comparable to the proposed contract within the last eight (8) years. Detailed qualification criteria are specified in the Instructions to Applicants.

Submissions of Applications for Prequalification must be received in sealed envelopes, either delivered by hand or by registered mail in one (1) original and four (4) copies to:

The Director General's Office
Ethiopian Roads Authority
Ras Abebe Aregay Street,
4th floor, Room Number 408
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
Tel: 251 11 551 60 34
Fax: 251 11 551 00 82

Not later than: ***30 November 2011, 3:00pm local time***

and be clearly marked "Application to Prequalify for Construction of the Bedele-Metu Road Upgrading Project, [Contract 1] or [Contract 2] or [both Contracts]".

Applicants will be advised, in due course, of the results of their applications. Only firms and joint ventures prequalified under this procedure will be invited to bid.