No: 4/2024-5606-986 Date: 20.06.2024.

Based upon the article 24, paragraph 1, item 7 of the Statute of the Joint Stock Company for the management with the public railway infrastructure "Infrastructure of Serbian Railways", Belgrade ("Official Gazette of the RS", number 60/15, 73/15 and ("Official Gazette of the RS", number 14/17), of the Board of the Directors of "Infrastructure of Serbian Railways" JSC on the meeting, held on the day June 20, 2024, made the following

## DECISION ON CONTRACT AWARD

- 1. Contract in the selection procedure of the Contractors for the project of reconstruction and modernization of the railway line "Niš Dimitrovgrad Section of the Bypass line around Niš", reference number EIB-GtP/27/22/OON / 1/2023-1290/4 is awarded to the tenderer Extra Auto Transport doo, Serbia, as the leading member of the consortium that also includes China Road and Bridge Corporation, in the amount of EUR 153,652,399.09.
  - 2. The decision enters into force on the day of its adoption.
- 3. The decision is to be published in the Official Journal of the European Union and on the internet page of "Infrastructure of Serbian Railways" JSC.

## Form layout

The notice on the pre-qualification procedure of the public tender was published in the Official Journal of the European Union. By the deadline for submitting offers on February 3, 2023, offers for participation in the pre- qualification procedure were submitted by 5 candidates in the following order:

- 1. China Civil Engineering Construction Corporation (CCECC)
- 2. Extra Auto Transport doo (leader) China Road and Bridge Corporation (CRBC) JOINT VENTURE
- 3. Yep Centers Insaat ve Sanayi SA
- 4. STRABAG doo (leader) Gulemark Agr Sanayi Insaat ve Taahhut AS STRABAG AG, JONT VENTURE
- 5. CONSORZIO ARMATORI FERROVIARI (CAF) SCPA CONSORZIO STABILE (leader) TRACE GROUP HOLD PLC KARIN KOMERC MD doo VETERNIK LOTEX GROUP DOO, JOINT VENTURE

After the tender opening procedure, the Committee for the Selection of Contractors, established by the Decision of the General Director No. 1/2023-277 of February 27, 2023, carried out a review and expert evaluation of the submitted tenders (economic, financial, professional capacity of the tenderer as well as general and special experience execution of works and special experience in designing) and based on the criteria for evaluation of offers, prepared a preliminary Prequalification report which was sent to the European Investment Bank (EIB) for approval on April 27, 2023. With this report, the Commission concluded that the following 3 candidates were prequalified:

No. offers	Name of pre-qualified candidate		
2	Extra - Auto Transport doo (leader) - China Road and Bridge Corporation (CRBC), JOINT VENTURE		
3	Yapi Merkzi Insaat ve Sanayi AS		
4	STRABAG doo (leader) - Gulemark Agr Sanayi Insaat ve Taahhut AS - STRABAG AG, JOINT VENTURE		

After the clarification procedure was carried out, the response in the form of the EIB's consent to the preliminary Pre-qualification report was received on July 13, 2023, after which the Commission for the Selection of Contractors filed the final Pre-qualification report under no. 1/2023-578 of April 27, 2023.

The pre-qualified bidders were asked to submit their technical and financial offess on January 22, 2024, and offers were received in the following order by the scheduled offer submission deadline of April 5, 2024:

- 1. Gulemark Agr Sanayi Insaat ve Taahhut AS
- 2. Yep Centers Insaat ve Sanayi SA
- 3. Extra Auto Transport doo (leader) China Road and Bridge Corporation (CRBC) JOINT VENTURE

Before the deadline for submitting bids, on March 26, 2024, by the company Gulemark Agr Sanayi Insaat ve Taahhut AS received a request for prior approval to independently, without the remaining two members of the CONSORTIUM formed before the pre-qualification procedure, STRABAG AG and STRABAG doo, perform in the second part of the tender procedure. Considering that the company Gulemark Agr Sanayi Insaat ve Taahhut AS independently fully fulfills the capacities and required experience from the pre-tendering procedure, as well as having the consent of the previous members of the consortium, based on Article 3.5 of the Instructions to bidders, they are allowed to independently participate in the continuation of the tendering procedure.

After the tender opening procedure, the Commission for the Selection of Contractors, established by the amended Decision of the General Director No. 1/2023-2463 of December 29, 2023, reviewed and expertly evaluated the received tenders (technical and financial compliance) and based on the criteria for tender evaluation, made the Evaluation report no. 3/2024-499 of April 10, 2024.

After the procedure of submission of responses and additional analysis of the submitted offers, in accordance with the EIB's instructions, as well as the final evaluation, the Commission for the Selection of Contractors established the following ranking list of offers:

No. offers	Bidder's name	Financial offer [ after arithmetic corrections ]	Ranking
3.	Extra - Auto Transport doo (leader) - China Road and Bridge Corporation (CRBC), JOINT VENTURE	€153,652,399.09	1
1.	Gulermak Agir Sanayi Insaat ve Taahhut AS	€232,822,999.98	2

On the final Evaluation Report on the bid evaluation, the EIB submitted its letter of "No Objection" to the award of the Contract on June 6, 2024. Given the EIB's consent, on June 7, 2024, a letter was sent to all participants of the qualification procedure with a notification about the results of the work of the Commission for the Evaluation of Bids. In the aforementioned notice, it was noted

that, according to the instruction to tender, they have 10 calendar days within which they can submit a possible request for the protection of rights to the Republic Commission for the Protection of Rights in Public Procurement Procedures. During the mentioned period, until June 17, 2024, not a single request for the protection of rights was submitted.

As the conditions for awarding the Contract have been met, it is proposed to the Board of Directors to accept the proposal of the Commission given in the Evaluation Report no. 3/2024-499 of April 10, 2024 for contract award to Extra Auto Transport doo, Serbia, as the leading member of the consortium that also includes China Road and Bridge Corporation, in the amount of EUR 153,652,399.09.

Board of the Directors of "Infrastructure of Serbian Railways" JSC

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