

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Tender announcement for the contracting of international consultancy services with pre-qualification no. 01/ARME/2023, for the review and update of the study on the definition and analysis of relevant markets for electronic communications products and services in Cape Verde, the assessment of significant market power and the identification of specific obligations applicable to companies in the sector.

1. **Awarding Entity:** The Agência Reguladora Multisectorial da Economia (ARME), with headquarters at Avenida da China - Chã d'Areia, 5º Piso, C.P. No. 892 - Praia - Cape Verde, phone (+238) 2604400/01/02/03.
2. **Competent body for the decision to contract and competent body to authorize the expenditure:** ARME Board of Directors.
3. **Entity responsible for conducting the procedure:** ARME's Acquisition Management Unit (UGA), located at Avenida da China - Chã d'Areia, 5º Piso, C.P. No. 892 - Praia - Cape Verde, phone (+238) 2604400/01/02/03 and email: uga@arme.cv.
4. **Financing:** The service object of the present procedure is financed by ARME's Budget.
5. **Object of the Tender:** The object of this Procedure is to contract international consulting services, for the review and update of the study on the definition and analysis of relevant markets for electronic communications products and services in Cape Verde, the assessment of significant market power and the identification of specific obligations applicable to companies in the sector, in accordance with the principles of competition law.
6. **Place of execution of the contract:** The services will be developed at ARME's headquarters, or at other facilities to be indicated by ARME.
7. **Contract performance period:** According to the proposal to be awarded, not to exceed 12 weeks
8. **Obtaining the tender documents:** The documents relating to this tender can be obtained from the UGA, at ARME's headquarters or through the email address estudomercado@arme.cv.

9. **Variant proposals:** Variant proposals are not admitted, under the conditions defined in the Terms of Reference.
10. **Admission Requirements:** National and international consulting firms that meet the technical and financial capabilities requested in the Terms of Reference and that are not in a situation of impediment, pursuant to article 70 of the CCP, may be admitted.
11. **How to submit applications:** Applications must be submitted in a closed and sealed envelope, delivered directly to ARME's headquarters, sent by registered mail to the same address, or by e-mail with zipped and encrypted attachments only to the address estudomercado@arme.cv. The decryption key must be delivered in the public act of opening the applications, as defined in the Terms of Reference.
12. **Language:** Applications, as well as the accompanying documents, must be submitted in Portuguese, or with an appropriate translation. When, by their nature or origin, the documents for the qualification of candidates are written in a foreign language, the interested party must have them accompanied by a duly legalized translation.
13. **Date for submitting applications:** Interested parties must submit their applications by 16:30 hours (Cape Verde time) on **05 de june of 2023**. Applications arriving after the deadline will not be considered, and the Bidder will be responsible for any delays that may occur.
14. **Term of maintenance of proposals:** Bidders are bound to maintain their bids for a period of ninety (90) days from the term fixed for the submission of bids.
15. **Award Criteria:** The award is made using the method of selection based on quality and price. The weighting is 70% for the quality factor and 30% for the price factor, as detailed in the Terms of Reference.
16. **Public opening act of the applications:** The public opening act of the applications will take place at ARME's headquarters, located at Avenida da China, Chã de Areia - 5th floor, **on 06 of june, 2023, at 10:00 hours**, and interested parties may participate in person or via videoconference, and all candidates and representatives of candidates duly accredited for the purpose may participate.



17. **Public act of opening the proposals:** The deadline will be indicated in the second phase of the procedure, to the qualified bidders, in the invitation to submit the technical and financial proposals.

18. **Bonds and guarantees:** In the event that the awarded bid provides for price advances, the following must be provided: i) A bond of an amount equal to the advances provided, provided that it does not exceed 30% of the total value of the contract; ii) A performance bond for the proper execution of the contract, to guarantee compliance with legal and contractual obligations assumed before the contracting authority and contracting entity.

19. **Identification of the author of the announcement:** ARME's Procurement Management Unit-UGA.

20. **Law applicable to the procedure:** Public Procurement Code, approved by Law No. 88/VII/2015, of April 14, as amended by Law No. 69/IX/2019, of December 31, and the Legal Regime of Administrative Contracts (RJCA), approved by Decree-Law No. 50/2015 of September 23.

Praia, April 17, 2023.

A circular blue ink stamp is positioned over the signature. The stamp contains the word "arme" in a stylized font, with "Agência Reguladora de Materiais e Equipamentos" written in smaller text around the perimeter. Below the signature, the text "/ Leonilde Santos /" and "Chairman of the Board" are printed.

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Chairman of the Board

