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28 July 2025

Award of Procurement Contract No.: OAB-CPR-2025-7913 Notice under Section 40(7) of the Public Procurement Act

This is to notify that following the bidding exercise carried out by the Central Electricity Board bearing tender reference No: OAB-CPR-2025-7913 - Consultancy Services to Act as Independent Engineer in the Implementation of Three 30MWac (3x 30MWac) Renewable Energy Hybrid Facilities (Solar PV and Battery Energy Storage Systems), the contract has been awarded as follows:

Description	Name & Address of Selected Bidder	Total Price (EUR)
Consultancy Services to Act as		
Independent Engineer in the Implementation of Three 30MWac (3x 30MWac) Renewable Energy Hybrid Facilities (Solar PV and	Studio Santi S.R.L Via Latina 57, 00058 Santa Marinella (RM)	,
Battery Energy Storage Systems)	Italy	199,350.00

V. Luximon Officer-in-Charge (Administration)



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15 July 2025

The Managing Director Studio Santi S.R.L Via Latina 57 00058 Santa Marinella (RM) Italy

Email: <u>info@studiosanti.eu</u>
Attn: Prof Dr Federico Santi

Dear Sir,

OAB-CPR-2025-7913 - Consultancy Services to Act as Independent Engineer in the Implementation of Three 30MWac (3x 30MWac) Renewable Energy Hybrid Facilities (Solar PV and Battery Energy Storage Systems)

Letter of Acceptance

Further to your proposal dated 02 April 2025, the Central Electricity Board has the pleasure to award to you the Contract for the abovementioned services with regard to **Project A, B and C** for the total amount of ***EUR 199,350.00** (Euro One hundred and ninety-nine thousand three hundred and fifty) as detailed hereunder:

	Description			Total
S/No.	Project A: Stor' Sun 1 Project B: SPV Project C: SPV Ltd (Trou D'eau 30MW Belle Vue 2 Douce) Ltd Ltd		Amount (EUR)	
1	Total of Remuneration			185,000.00
2	Total of Reimbursable Exp	penses		14,350.00
			Total Amount	199,350.00

*Note: Given that **Project B: SPV 30MW Belle Vue 2 Ltd and Project C: SPV 30MW Belle Vue 3 Ltd** are currently affected by a Force Majeure event, the start date of these two projects shall be mutually agreed between you and the CEB. In case of a prolonged Force Majeure event, the CEB will not proceed with these two projects.

Our acceptance is subject to you submitting the followings:

- a) Insurance Covers for **Project A: Stor' Sun 1 Ltd,** as per Special Conditions of Contract 24.1 of the bidding document by **06 August 2025** at latest.
- b) An Advance Payment Security for Project A: Stor' Sun 1 Ltd, in the format annexed herewith, valid up to 30 November 2026 and amounting EUR 12,625.50. The Advance Payment Security shall be established by a commercial bank operating in Mauritius as per format enclosed and submitted by 06 August 2025 at latest.

Term of Reference

You shall strictly adhere to Section 5 -Terms of Reference of the bidding document.

Time Frame

Project A: Stor' Sun 1 Ltd shall start within thirty (30) days, as from the date of issue of this Letter of Acceptance and the project duration shall be as per Section 5 – Terms of Reference, Clause 9, of the bidding document. In this respect, you shall liaise with our Responsible Officer, Mr Y. Appasamy (Contact no. 404 2000) at our CEB Corporate Office, Ebene.

Payment Terms

Payments shall be made according to the following schedule:

	% Payments			
Payment Milestones	Project A	Project B	Project C	Total Payment
Downpayment against the submission of Advanced Payment Guarantee	(19%)/3	(19%)/3	(19%)/3	19.0%
Inception report	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	3.0%
Design Compliance Report for the Design of the Facility	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	12.0%
Approval and Certification of DigSilent model and associated report in line with Schedule D of the PPA	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	3.0%
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All Monthly Inspection Reports as per the PPA	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	6.0%
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Submission of Certificate of Installation	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	6.0%
Submission of Notice for Successful Pre- Commissioning Test	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	3.0%
Submission of Commissioning Report complete with test results	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	18.0%
Submission of Completion Certificate	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	6.0%

Performance Rating

Pursuant to Directive No. 75 of the Procurement Policy Office (PPO), a Performance Review Committee shall be established to evaluate your performance on this contract.

Contract

The following documents shall in order of priority constitute the Contract between the CEB and your firm and each shall be read and construed as an integral part of the Contract:

- a) The CEB's Letter of Acceptance dated 15 July 2025;
- b) The Special Conditions of Contract;
- c) The General Conditions of Contract;
- d) The Term of Reference;
- e) The Consultant's Proposal dated 02 April 2025.

Yours faithfully,

J. Luximon

Officer-in-Charge (Administration)

Annex: Advance Payments Guarantee Format

FORM OF ADVANCE PAYMENTS GUARANTEE

[See Clause GCC 41.2.1 and SCC 41.2.1]

{Guarantor letterhead or SWIFT identifier code}

Bank/Insurance Guarantee for Advance Payment

Guara	itor: [insert commercial Bank/Insurance's Name, and Address of
Issuing	Branch or Office]
Benef	iary:[insert Name and Address of Client]
Date:	[insert date]
ADVA	NCE PAYMENT GUARANTEE No.: [insert number]
same of Contra date]_	e been informed that [name of Consultant or a name of the Joint Venture appears on the signed Contract] (hereinafter called "the Consultant") has entered into the No [reference number of the contract] dated [insertion of Services] (hereinafter called "the Contract").
in the	more, we understand that, according to the conditions of the Contract, an advance payment am of [insert amount in figures] () [amount in words] is to be gainst an advance payment guarantee.
Benefit (support signed	request of the Consultant, we, as Guarantor, hereby irrevocably undertake to pay the lary any sum or sums not exceeding in total an amount of [amount in figures) [amount in words] upon receipt by us of the Beneficiary's complying demanded by the Beneficiary's a written statement, whether in the demand itself or in a separare document accompanying or identifying the demand, stating that the Consultant is in breachingation under the Contract because the Consultant:
(a) (b)	has failed to repay the advance payment in accordance with the Contract condition specifying the amount which the Consultant has failed to repay; has used the advance payment for purposes other than toward providing the Services under the Contract.
payme	condition for any claim and payment under this guarantee to be made that the advance treferred to above must have been received by the Consultant on their account number at [name and address of bank/insurance company].

¹ The Guarantor shall insert an amount representing the amount of the advance payment and denominated either in the currency(ies) of the advance payment as specified in the Contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the Client.

The maximum amount of this guarantee shall be progressively reduced by the amount of the advance payment repaid by the Consultant as indicated in certified statements or invoices marked as "paid" by the Client which shall be presented to us. This guarantee shall expire, at the latest, upon our receipt of the payment certificate or paid invoice indicating that the Consultant has made full repayment of the amount of the advance payment, or on the __day of _[month]______, [year]__,^2 whichever is earlier. Consequently, any demand for payment under this guarantee must be received by us at this office on or before that date.

This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees (URDG) 2010 revision, ICC Publication No. 758.

[signature(s)]

{Note: All italicized text is for indicative purposes only to assist in preparing this form and shall be deleted from the final product.}

Insert the expected expiration date. In the event of an extension of the time for completion of the Contract, the Client would need to request an extension of this guarantee from the Guarantor. Such request must be in writing and must be made prior to the expiration date established in the guarantee. In preparing this guarantee, the Client might consider adding the following text to the form, at the end of the penultimate paragraph: "The Guarantor agrees to a one-time extension of this guarantee for a period not to exceed [six months][one year], in response to the Client's written request for such extension, such request to be presented to the Guarantor before the expiry of the guarantee."

Executive Summary of Bid Evaluation Report

Ref No: OAB-CPR-2025-7913

Consultancy Services to Act as Independent Engineer in the Implementation of 3 x 30MWac Renewable Energy Hybrid Facilities (Solar PV & BESS)

1. Project Description

The purpose of the technical evaluation report is to submit to the Tender Committee the findings of the Evaluation Panel with respect to the technical evaluation for OAB-CPR-2025-7913 – "Consultancy Services to Act as Independent Engineer in the Implementation of 3 x 30MWac Renewable Energy Hybrid Facilities (Solar PV & BESS)".

2. Bidding Process

1.0 Bidding Process

• RFP launched on: 25 February 2025

Closing Date: 02 April 2025 (No Extension)

• Procurement: Open Advertised Bidding (Two Stage Bidding Process)

• Bids Received: 5

Bid Ref No	Consultancy Firm	Country	
1	Bigen Africa Services (Pty) Ltd	South Africa	
2	Studio Santi S.R.L in association with Pro-Five Ltd, KIMs Consulting Engineers Ltd	Italy and Mauritius	
3	Artelia	France	
4	3E Renewable Energy Services (Pty) Ltd	South Africa	
5	Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI) in association with GPCL Consulting Services Limited	India	

3. Technical Evaluation

Further to technical evaluation, three bidders were found to be technically responsive to the eligibility and evaluation criteria. The technical score obtained by the responsive bidder is shown in the table below:

Marks: 86

1. Bigen Africa Services (Pty) Ltd

2. Studio Santi S.R.L

Marks: 92

3. 3E Renewable Energy Services (Pty) Ltd

Marks: 75

4. Financial Evaluation

The financial proposal of the three responsive bidders are shown below:

Consultancy Firm	Quoted Price (Inclusive of local taxes except VAT)	Quoted Price Converted to MUR (Note 1)
Bigen Africa Services (Pty) Ltd	USD 563,948.08	25,556,942.69
Studio Santi S.R.L in association with Pro- Five Ltd, KIMs Consulting Engineers Ltd	EUR 199,350.00	10,034,461.67
3E Renewable Energy Services (Pty) Ltd	EUR 297,354.00	14,967,581.21

Note 1 - Exchange rate prevailing at opening date (09 April 2025) of the Technical Proposals based on consolidated exchange rates from Bank of Mauritius website as shown in **Annex 1**:

1 USD = 45.3179 MUR

1 EUR = 50.3359 MUR

The report for financial evaluation was submitted on 02/07/25.

5. Recommendation

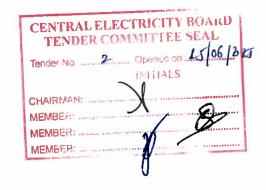
Further to the financial evaluation, the Bid Evaluation Committee recommends that the contract for "Consultancy Services to Act as Independent Engineer in the Implementation of 3 x 30MWac Renewable Energy Hybrid Facilities (Solar PV & BESS)" be awarded to Studio Santi S.R.L in association with Pro-Five Ltd, KIMs Consulting Engineers Ltd for a total lump sum price of EUR 199,350 inclusive of local taxes except VAT (to MUR 10,034,461.67 at 1 EUR = 50.3359 MUR on 09 April 2025).

Santa Marinella, 20th March 2025

To: Central Electricity Board Royal Road Curepipe Republic of Mauritius

Dear Sir/Madam:

- (a) We, the undersigned, offer to provide the consulting services for Consultancy service to act as Independent Engineer in the Implementation of three 30MWac (3 x 30MWac) Renewable Energy Hybrid Facilities (Solar PV & Battery Energy Storage Systems)in accordance with your Invitation for proposal dated 25 February 2025 and our Technical Proposal. Our attached Financial Proposal is for the lump sum of One hundred ninetynine thousand three hundred fifty Euro (199,350 EUR). This amount is inclusive of the local taxes except VAT.
- (b) Our Financial Proposal shall be binding upon us subject to the modifications resulting from Contract negotiations, up to expiration of the validity period of the Proposal, i.e. before the date indicated in Paragraph Reference 1.12 of the Data Sheet.
- (c) Commissions and gratuities paid or to be paid by us to agents relating to this Proposal and Contract execution, if we are awarded the Contract, none.
- (d) We have taken steps to ensure that no person acting for us or on our behalf will engage in any type of fraud and corruption as per the principles described hereunder, during the bidding process and contract execution:
 - i. We shall not, directly or through any other person or firm, offer, promise or give to any of the clients' employees involved in the bidding process or the execution of the contract or to any third person any material or immaterial benefit which he/she is not legally entitled to, in order to obtain in exchange any advantage of any kind whatsoever during the tender process or during the execution of the contract.
 - ii. We shall not enter with other applicants into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal. This applies to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contracts, submission or nonsubmission of bids or any other actions to restrict competitiveness or to introduce cartelization in the bidding process.
 - iii. We shall not use falsified documents, erroneous data or deliberately disclose requested facts to obtain a benefit in a procurement proceeding.





I. Special Conditions of Contract

[Notes in brackets are for guidance purposes only and should be deleted in the final text of the signed contract]

Number of GC Clause	Amendments of, and Supplements to, Clauses in the General Conditions of Contract			
1.1(a)	The Contract shall be construed in accordance with the law of Mauritius.			
4.1	The languag	ge is: English.		
6.1 and 6.2	The addresses are The addresses are:			
	Client:	Central Electricity Board Rue du Savoir Cyber City Ebene Republic of Mauritius		
	Attention:	The Officer In Charge (Technical): Mr S. Summun		
	Facsimile:	(230) 454-7630/32		
	E-mail:	ceb@ceb.mu		
	Consultant:			
	Attention: Facsimile: E-mail (wher	re permitted) :		
8.1	OR If the Consul address is spe	Itant consists only of one entity, state "N/A"; Itant is a Joint Venture, the name of the JV member whose ecified in Clause SCC6.1 should be inserted here.] Member on behalf of the JV is [insert name of the member]		
9.1	The Authorized Representatives are:			

	For the Client: The Officer In Charge (Technical): Mr S. Summun
	For the Consultant: [name, title]
11.1	The Effective Date is within 30 days as from the date of Letter of Acceptance.
12.1	Termination of Contract for Failure to Become Effective:
	The time period shall be 2 months
13.1	The date for the commencement of Services is within 30 days as from the date of Letter of Acceptance
14.1	Expiration of Contract: The time period shall be as per the Terms of Reference
24.1	The insurance coverage against the risks shall be as follows: (a) The Consultant shall take a Single Project Professional Indemnity Insurance which shall cover the risk of professional negligence.
	This insurance shall be for a minimum coverage of USD 1 M or equivalent with no limit on the number of occurrences. The Consultant shall maintain the Single Project Professional Indemnity Insurance in full force and effect until 5 years after the Time for Completion. The Consultant undertakes to notify the Employer promptly of any difficulty in extending, renewing or reinstating this insurance.
	(b) Employer's liability and workers' compensation insurance in respect of the Personnel of the Consultant and of any Sub-Consultants, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Applicable Law, as well as, with respect to such Personnel, any such life, health, accident, travel or other insurance as may be appropriate; and
	(c) insurance against loss of or damage to (i) equipment purchased in whole or in part with funds provided under this Contract, (ii) the Consultant's property used in the performance of the Services, and (iii) any documents prepared by the Consultant in the performance of the Services.

	(d) The Independent Engineer shall take an insurance cover of Rs 5 Million for personal injury and death
27.2	The Consultant shall not use these documents and software for purposes unrelated to this Contract without the prior written approval of the Client.
	The Client shall use these documents and software for purposes unrelated to this Contract without the prior written approval of the Consultant.

38.1	Applicable at time of award. The Contract price is: [insert amount and currency for each currency as applicable] inclusive of [indicate: of local indirect taxes and taxes on the remunerations.
39.1 and 39.2	For applicable laws regarding indirect taxes, duties, fees, and other impositions levied, Consultants are required to contact the Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA).
	With respect to temporary admissions, the temporary admission regime under the Customs Act will apply.
	Details of contact for the MRA is: Mauritius Revenue Authority Ehram Court, Cnr Mgr. Gonin & Sir Virgil Naz Streets, Port Louis, Mauritius Tel: +230 207 6000 •Fax: +230 207 6053 • Email:largetaxpayer@mra.mu • Website: http://mra.mu
	The Client shall reimburse the Consultant, the Sub-consultants and the Experts "any indirect taxes, duties, fees, levies and other impositions imposed, under the applicable law in the Client's country, on the Consultant, the Sub-consultants and the Experts in respect of:
	(a) any equipment, materials and supplies brought into the Client's country by the Consultant or Sub-consultants for the purpose of carrying out the Services and which, after having been brought into such territories, will be subsequently withdrawn by them;
	(b) any equipment imported for the purpose of carrying out the Services and paid for out of funds provided by the Client and which is treated as property of the Client;
	(c) (i) the Consultant, Sub-consultants and experts shall follow the usual customs procedures of the Client's country in importing property into the Client's country; and
	(ii) if the Consultant, Sub-consultants or Experts do not withdraw but dispose of any property in the Client's country upon which customs duties and taxes have been exempted, the Consultant, Sub-consultants or Experts, as the case may be, (a) shall bear such customs duties and taxes in conformity with the regulations of the Client's country, or (b) shall reimburse them to the Client if they were paid by the Client at the time

the property in question was brought into the Client's country.

41.2 Payments shall be made according to the following schedule:

	% Payments			
Payment Milestones	Project	Project	Project	Total
	A	В	С	Payment
Downpayment against the submission of Advanced Payment Guarantee				<u>19.0%</u>
Inception report	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	3.0%
Design Compliance Report for the Design of the Facility	4.0%	4.0%	4.0%	12.0%
Approval and Certification of DigSilent model and associated report in line with Schedule D of the PPA	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	3.0%
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Submission of Testing and Commissioning Procedures	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	15.0%
Submission of Operating Procedures	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	3.0%
Submission of Certificate of Installation	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	6.0%
Submission of Notice for Successful Pre-Commissioning Test	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%	3.0%
Submission of Commissioning Report complete with test results	6.0%	6.0%	6.0%	18.0%
Submission of Completion Certificate	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	6.0%
Total				100%

	Payments shall be made upon submission of Final Reports as agreed by both Parties for each above-mentioned milestone.			
	Advance Payment Security shall be in the form of a Bank Guarantee issued by a commercial bank operating in Mauritius as per format enclosed in this document.			
41.2.1	The following provisions shall apply to the advance payment and the advance bank/insurance payment guarantee:			
	(1) An advance payment of 19% of the contract shall be made within 21 days after the receipt of an advance bank/insurance payment guarantee by the Client.			
	(2) The advance bank/insurance payment guarantee shall be in the amount in the currency of the advance payment.			
	(3) The bank/insurance guarantee will be released when the advance payment has been fully set off.			
41.2.4	The accounts are:			
	for foreign currency: [insert account]. for local currency: [insert account].			
42.1	The interest rate is: the Bank of Mauritius Key Rate			
45.1	Disputes shall be settled by Arbitration in Mauritius			