**SERVICE CONTRACT NOTICE**

**Organization of events  
Location: Vidin District in Bulgaria and Bor and Zaječar District in Serbia**

**1. Reference**

CB007.2.13.045 – SoB 03/19

**2. Procedure**

Simplified

**3. Programme title**

Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Serbia Programme (CCI No: 2014TC16I5CB007)

**4. Financing**

The project is co-funded by the European Union, through Interreg – IPA CBC Bulgaria – Serbia Programme 2014-2020, CCI Number 2014TC16I5CB007, Subsidy contract No: RD 02-29-152/11.07.2019

**5. Contracting authority**

Association “Soul of the Balkans”, Trg Oslobiđenja 1, 19350 Knjaževac

**CONTRACT SPECIFICATION**

**6. Nature of contract**

Global price

**7. Contract description**

The subject of this contract is to provide services or organize the following events:

1. Accommodation for the project team members in Bulgaria and Eastern Serbia
2. Training for tour operators and winemakers
3. Wine route Management Workshop
4. Traveling workshop for the exchange of experience
5. Trainings for internet marketing
6. Cross Border Wine competition
7. Travel of participants to events in Bulgaria and Serbia

**8. Number and titles of lots**

One lot only

**9. Maximum budget**

**12.786 EUR**

**CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION**

**10. Eligibility**

Participation is open to all natural persons who are nationals of and legal persons [participating either individually or in a grouping (consortium) of tenderers] which are effectively established in a Member State of the European Union or in a eligible country or territory as defined under the Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 establishing common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for external action (CIR) for the applicable instrument under which the contract is financed (see also heading 23 below). Participation is also open to international organisations.]

Please be aware that after the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the EU, the rules of access to EU procurement procedures of economic operators established in third countries will apply to candidates or tenderers from the United Kingdom depending on the outcome of negotiations. In case such access is not provided by legal provisions in force at the time of contract award, candidates or tenderers from the United Kingdom could be rejected from the procurement procedure.]

**11. Number of tenders**

No more than one tender can be submitted by a natural or legal person whatever the form of participation (as an individual legal entity or as leader or member of a consortium submitting a tender). In the event that a natural or legal person submits more than one tender, all tenders in which that person has participated will be excluded.

**12. Grounds for exclusion**

As part of the tender, tenderers must submit a signed declaration, included in the tender form, to the effect that they are not in any of the exclusion situations listed in Section 2.6.10.1. of the practical guide.

Tenderer included in the lists of EU restrictive measures (see Section 2.4. of the PRAG) at the moment of the award decision cannot be awarded the contract.

**13. Sub-contracting**

Subcontracting is allowed.

**PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE**

**14. Provisional commencement date of the contract**

10.10.2019

**15. Implementation period of the tasks**

9 (Nine) months

**SELECTION AND AWARD CRITERIA**

**16. Selection criteria**

The following selection criteria will be applied to the tenderers. In the case of tenders submitted by a consortium, these selection criteria will be applied to the consortium as a whole. if not specified otherwise. The selection criteria will not be applied to natural persons and single-member companies when they are sub-contractors.

**1) Economic and financial capacity of the tenderer (**based on item 3 of the tender form). In case of tenderer being a public body, equivalent information should be provided. The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three financial years for which accounts have been closed.

* the average annual turnover of the tenderer must exceed the maximum budget of the contract.

**2)** **Professional capacity of the tenderer (**based on items 4 of the tender form).

The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years preceding the submission deadline.

* has sufficient ongoing staff resources and expertise to be able to handle the proposed contract, that’s mean at least one staff currently work for the tenderer in fields related to this contract (Occupations Tourismologist or Manager in Tourism or Economist or similar are welcomed).

**3) Technical capacity of tenderer** (based on items 5 and 6 of the tender form). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years preceding the submission deadline.

* the tenderer has provided services under at least 1 (one) contract with a budget of at least that of this contract in similar fields (e.g. organization of trainings, seminars, conferences etc.) which was implemented at any moment during the following period: 03.09. 2016 – 03.09.2019.

Previous experience which would have led to breach of contract and termination by a contracting authority shall not be used as reference. This is also applicable concerning the previous experience of experts required under a fee-based service contract.

An economic operator may, where appropriate and for a particular contract, rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. It must in that case prove to the contracting authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for the performance of the contract by producing a commitment by those entities to place those resources at its disposal. Such entities, for instance the parent company of the economic operator, must respect the same rules of eligibility - notably that of nationality - and must comply with the selection criteria for which the economic operator relies on them. Furthermore, the data for this third entity for the relevant selection criterion should be included in the tender in a separate document. Proof of the capacity will also have to be provided when requested by the contracting authority. With regard to technical and professional criteria, an economic operator may only rely on the capacities of other entities where the latter will perform the services for which these capacities are required. With regard to economic and financial criteria the entities upon whose capacity the tenderer relies become jointly and severally liable for the performance of the contract.

**17. Award criteria**

Best price-quality ratio.

**TENDERING**

**18. Deadline for receipt of tenders**

The deadline for receipt of tenders is specified in point 8 of the instruction to tenderers.

**19. Tender format and details to be provided**

**Tenders must be submitted using the standard tender form** for simplified procedures, the format and instructions of which must be strictly observed. The tender form is available from the following internet address: <http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/annexes.do?group=B> , under the zip file called Simplified Tender dossier.

The tender must be accompanied by a declaration on honour on exclusion and selection criteria using the template available from the following Internet address:

<http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/annexes.do?chapterTitleCode=A>

Any additional documentation (brochure, letter, etc.) sent with a tender will not be taken into consideration.

**20. How tenders may be submitted**

Tenders must be submitted in English exclusively to the contracting authority, using the means specified in point 8 of the instructions to tenderers.

**Tenders submitted by any other means will not be considered.**

By submitting a tender tenderers accept to receive notification of the outcome of the procedure by electronic means.

**21. Alteration or withdrawal of tenders**

Tenderers may alter or withdraw their tenders by written notification prior to the deadline for submission of tenders. No tender may be altered after this deadline.

Any such notification of alteration or withdrawal shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with point 9 of the instructions to tenderers. The outer envelope (and the relevant inner envelope if used) must be marked ‘Alteration’ or ‘Withdrawal’ as appropriate.

**22. Operational language**

All written communications for this tender procedure and contract must be in English.

**23. Legal basis**

Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 laying down common rules and procedures for the implementation of the Union's instruments for financing external action

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 447/2014 of 2 May 2014 on the specific rules for Implementing Regulation (EU) No 231/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing an instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA II);

Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on specific provisions for the support from the European Regional Development Fund to the European Territorial Cooperation goal;

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 481/2014 of 4 March 2014 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to specific rules on eligibility of expenditure for cooperation programmes;

Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2014 laying down common rules and procedures for the implementation of the union's instruments for financing external action;

Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 laying down common provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund, the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and laying down general provisions on the European Regional Development Fund, the European Social Fund, the Cohesion Fund and the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1083/2006;

Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, EURATOM) No 1605/2002;

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29 October 2012 on the rules of application of Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union;

Regulation (EU, EURATOM) 2015/1929 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28 October 2015 amending Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No 966/2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union; Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2462 of 30 October 2015 amending delegated regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 on the rules of application of Regulation (EU, EURATOM) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union.

**24. Additional information**

Financial data to be provided by the candidate in the standard application form must be expressed in EUR