



GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Country: State of Palestine

Name of the Project: Water Security and Resilience Program (Phase 1)

Sector: Water

Project ID No.: P176025

The Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) for the benefit of the Palestinian Authority has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **Water Security and Resilience Program** and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, non-consulting services and consulting services to be procured under this project.

The project will be implemented by the Palestinian Water Authority and will include the following components:

Component 1: Improvement of Water and Wastewater Infrastructure and Service Management:

This component aims to improve water supply and bolster the population's resilience to increasing water shortages through investments in water facilities based on identified priorities. It will also finance the required infrastructure for bulk water supply and the expansion of water distribution networks to remove critical bottlenecks and improve water allocation. The component comprises three main works packages as below:

Package 1: Construction of Water Transmission Pipelines between Salem and Al Jalameh and Main Booster Pump Station. Announcement of specific procurement notice is expected in July 2023.

Package 2: Construction of Water Transmission Pipelines between Main Booster Pump Station to the Regional Water Tank. Announcement of specific procurement notice is expected in August 2023.

Package 3: Construction of Water Distribution Systems in villages in NE Jenin including the HH connections. Announcement of specific procurement notice is expected in May 2023.

This component will also include the Consultancy services for construction supervision. It is expected to publish the Request for Expressions of Interest in February 2023.

The project will also invest in the O&M of the Hebron WWTP to ensure the efficiency of the plant performance (The O&M contract was signed in parallel with the ongoing Design, Supply and install of the Hebron Wastewater Treatment Plant).

Component 2: Improvement of Water Sector Institutions Performance

This component will finance goods, works and services to enhance and strengthen the water institutions and the SPs' operational and financial efficiency and their responsiveness to emergencies. It will also provide necessary technical assistance and capacity building activities to address sector challenges and sector reform and will support improved social accountability of service providers. This component will build on the technical assistance provided under the ongoing water sector projects



supported by the World Bank, AFD and other donors and will include the following three main consultancy services contracts:

1. Sector Reform and Strategic Planning (this will include TA to support establishment of RWUs). Announcement of the Request for Expressions of Interest is expected in March 2024.
2. Improve Financial and Operational Performance of SPs. Announcement of the Request for Expressions of Interest is expected in March 2024.
3. Improve Social Accountability of SPs. Announcement of the Request for Expressions of Interest is expected in May 2023.

Component 3: Project Management and Monitoring

This component will support the Project Coordination Unit (PCU) hosted within PWA, and field staff in Jenin and Hebron, that will coordinate, implement, monitor, and report on project implementation progress. To facilitate project implementation and mitigate institutional capacity risks. The Project will support the hiring of experts and specialists on a competitive basis to reinforce the PCU. The Project will minimize reliance on external specialists in favor of building PWA's own capacity to implement future projects. Moreover, this component will fund project-related activities including monitoring and evaluation (M&E), project audits, training, and operating costs.

Procurement of contracts financed by the World Bank will be conducted through the procedures as specified in the World Bank's Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers (Fourth Edition- November 2020) (Procurement Regulations), and is open to all eligible firms and individuals as defined in the Procurement Regulations. The World Bank shall arrange the publication on its external website of the agreed initial procurement plan and all subsequent updates once it has provided a no objection.

Specific procurement notices for contracts subject to open international competitive procurement will be announced, as they become available, in [UN Development Business](#) online, on the World Bank's external website, and on PA single procurement Portal website (www.shiraa.gov.ps), on the Palestinian Water Authority Website (www.pwa.ps), and in local newspapers.

Interested eligible firms and individuals who would wish to be considered for the provision of goods, works, non-consulting services and consulting services for the above mentioned project, or those requiring additional information, should contact the Palestinian Water Authority at the address below:

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