



Provision of Canteen Operator Services

Call for Nomination

Purpose

The purpose of this contract is to provide canteen, cafeteria and catering services at the premises of the ITER Organization in Saint-Paul-Lez-Durance, France, where around 3000 people work daily on the construction of the ITER Project.

Background

The ITER Project is a joint international research project that aims to demonstrate the scientific and technical feasibility of nuclear fusion power. The members involved in the ITER Project are China, the European Union, India, Japan, Korea, Russia and the United States.

The ITER Project is under construction in Saint-Paul-Lez-Durance, in the south of France.

Two canteens are operational on the ITER site since 2012:

- one in the ITER headquarters building – this restaurant currently serves around 800 meals per day;
- another on the construction site – this restaurant is currently dedicated to construction site staff and serves around 300 meals per day, with the capacity to increase to 1000 meals.

Scope of work

The scope of the services to be performed by the tenderer awarded for the contract will include the operation of both canteens on the ITER site, with, for each of them:

- Lunch service (self-service);
- Coffee and fast-food outlet service;
- Kitchen equipment maintenance;
- Cleaning of the canteen premises.

The contract will also include various catering services upon request, such as coffee breaks and lunches for the purpose of meetings and conferences, cocktail service and seated lunch service.

In both canteens, it is expected that the proposed menus reflect the international character of the ITER Organization with staff representing all member states.

Timetable

The tentative timetable is as follows:

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| Pre-qualification issuance | January 2019 |
| Call for tender issuance | March 2019 |
| Call for tender deadline | June 2019 |
| Contract signature | August 2019 |
| Start of the services | Headquarters restaurant: October 2019 Worksite restaurant: December 2019 |
| End of contract | December 2025 |

Experience

The Contractor shall be able to demonstrate relevant experience in providing catering services for international organisations. The Contractor may subcontract parts of the services, in particular the maintenance and cleaning.

The Contractor shall have at least one nominated person who is able to communicate effectively in the English language and prepare necessary documentation in English.

The quality assurance system implemented by the Contractor shall be based on a recognized quality standard meeting the ITER Quality Assurance Program requirements.

Candidature

Participation is open to all legal persons participating either individually or in a grouping (consortium) which is established in an ITER Member State. A legal person cannot participate individually or as a consortium partner in more than one application or tender. A consortium may be a permanent, legally-established grouping or a grouping, which has been constituted informally for a specific tender procedure. All members of a consortium (i.e. the leader and all other members) are jointly and severally liable to the ITER Organization.

The consortium groupings shall be presented at the pre-qualification stage. The tenderer's composition cannot be modified without the approval of the ITER Organization after the pre-qualification.

Legal entities belonging to the same legal grouping are allowed to participate separately if they are able to demonstrate independent technical and financial capacities. Candidates (individual or consortium) must comply with the selection criteria. The ITER Organization reserves the right to disregard duplicated reference projects and may exclude such legal entities from the pre-qualification procedure.