

PORT AUTONOME DE KRIBI



PORT AUTHORITY OF KRIBI

NOTICE OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

**FOR THE PREQUALIFICATION OF COMPANIES
WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RESTRICTED
CALL FOR TENDERS RELATIVE TO THE SETTING
UP OF A GAS POWER PLANT AT THE PORT OF
KRIBI**



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I. SUBJECT

The General Manager of the Port Authority of Kribi (PAK), is launching an International Public Call for Expression of Interest (IPCEI) towards companies wishing to participate in the preselection procedure of candidates for the Restricted call for tenders relative to the setting up of a gas power plant at the port of Kribi.

II. BACKGROUND

To achieve the objective of making the Port of Kribi the reference industrial-port complex in the Gulf of Guinea, the PAK has made the development of the industrial zone of the said port a major strategic axis.

Concretely, for the PAK, it is a question of implementing actions of all kinds to facilitate the establishment of industrial activities that generate value and traffic. In this respect, the availability in quantity and quality of electrical energy is an unavoidable key success factor.

Currently, the Port of Kribi is served by a 30 kV line connecting it to the South Interconnected Network (RIS). The supply of electricity through this means covers the needs generated mainly by the first port and logistics activities which developed from the official commercial opening of the port of Kribi in March 2018.

However, by 2024, the power made available by the aforementioned distribution line will prove to be very insufficient regarding the projected needs related to the establishment of industrial projects announced in the industrial-port area.

Consequently, it is essential for the PAK to acquire, in the short term, a reliable, efficient, and autonomous power supply solution capable of meeting the needs of its current and future lessees.

To do this, the PAK plans to set up at the port for which it is responsible a natural gas thermal power station having an initial capacity between 50 MW and 80 MW, scalable, which will be financed, built, and operated by a partner with the required expertise and technical, and financial capacities.

III. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

The project of setting up a natural gas power plant at the port of Kribi aims to meet the current and future needs in electrical energy induced by the development of industrial activities within the said port.

This project will consist of equipping the aforementioned port with a gas power plant powered by natural gas from the gas fields of the National Hydrocarbons Company (SNH) off Kribi. The estimated capacity ranges from 50 MW to 80 MW, with the possibility of scaling.





This project would be carried out as follows:

- The PAK makes available to the partner, the land within the industrial-port zone, on which the power plant is to be located through the issuance of an Authorization for Temporary Occupation (ATO) of the port public domain;
- The private partner finances, builds, operates, and maintains the plant and its related structures;
- The PAK undertakes to acquire a certain quantity of energy, at an agreed price, before distributing it to the occupants of the industrial-port zone;
- The operational (plant availability rate, quantity of energy supplied) and financial (purchase price per kWh, secure payment mechanisms) commitments of the two parties are recorded in a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA).

The supply of natural gas to the plant will be provided by the National Hydrocarbons Company.

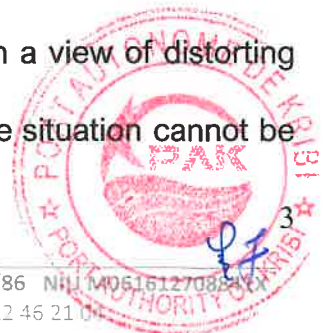
The desired technical model for this project is that of a combined cycle gas power plant based on the gas turbine technology. However, the PAK is opened to the technical model and technology that best meets the criteria below:

- Modularity of the installed power: The installed power of the said plant must easily be scalable over time, the minimum starting capacity being between 50 MW and 80 MW;
- Profitability;
- High setting up speed;
- Efficiency;
- Low level of pollution.

IV. PARTICIPATION CRITERIA

This Call for Expression of Interest is opened to any company or consortium having experience in the financing, construction, operation, and maintenance of gas power plants. Cannot apply under this CEI, companies that:

- a) are in a state of liquidation, bankruptcy or subject to an equivalent procedure governed by a foreign law;
- b) are subject to receivership proceedings or an equivalent procedure governed by a foreign law, and cannot justify having been authorized to continue their activities during the implementation period of the convention;
- c) are excluded from any administrative purchase order or contract by an administrative decision;
- d) have decided to unduly influence the decision-making process or get confidential information that can give them an edge during this bidding procedure, or have provided misleading information likely to have a critical influence on the decisions pertaining to exclusion, selection, and award;
- e) have made an agreement with other economic operators in a view of distorting competition;
- f) have submitted a bid creating a conflict of interest, when the situation cannot be remedied by other means;





- g) are subject to any of the prohibitions or disqualifications provided for by applicable national and international laws or regulations;
- h) have not made the declarations required by applicable laws and regulations.

No company shall submit more than one bid under penalty of disqualification.

V. APPLICATION FILE

The expression of interest file to be presented by each candidate includes an administrative file and a technical file.

The documents contained in the file may be written in French or English.

A. Administrative file

The administrative file must contain the following elements:

- A letter of expression of interest signed by the candidate's legal representative duly authorized for this purpose (cf. template appended to IPCEI);
- A declaration on honor statement from the candidate (cf. template appended to the IPCEI);
- A consortium declaration statement, if applicable (cf. template appended to the IPCEI);
- A general presentation of the candidate (cf. template appended to the IPCEI);
- A copy of the company's Trade Register issued by a competent body in the bidder's country;
- The original copy of the company's non-bankruptcy certificate issued by a competent body in the candidate's country.

Administrative documents have to be valid on the date of receipt.

In the event of a consortium, the application file must include a declaration of the consortium statement (cf. template attached in the appendix) signed by all the members and designating the leader authorized to represent and bind the consortium.

Each member of the consortium must submit all the documents required above concerning him.

B. Technical file

The candidate's technical file must contain elements that attest his experience and references in terms of financing, construction, operation, and maintenance of gas power plants.

In this respect, the candidate must provide for each of the concerned projects, presentation sheets including the following elements:





- Technical description of the plant and related works (technology and equipment used, installed power, etc.);
- Total cost of the project;
- Implementation schedule (duration of the construction and operation phases);
- Institutional project structuring providing information on the candidate's role and level of involvement in the said project.

NB: Projects developed in similar contexts will be more valued (location near or inside a port area or an industrial free zone, African context, etc.).

VI. PREQUALIFICATION PROCEDURE

The prequalification procedure aimed at establishing a short-list of a minimum number of three (03) and a maximum number of five (05) candidates invited to participate in the Restricted Call for Tenders includes the following steps:

A. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Any candidate wishing for clarifications or additional information must send their questions by email to the following address: contact@pak.cm; with a copy to: emile.mbome@pak.cm and yves.melingui@pak.cm no later than one week before the deadline for submitting applications.

B. SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION DOCUMENTS

The deadline for compiling and submitting application files is set at **forty-five (45) days** from the date of publication of the Notice of International Public Call for Expression of Interest.

Each application file written in French or English must be received electronically or physically no later than ...**16 MAI 2022**... at 2 p.m., local time.

Each applicant should indicate the e-mail address with which he intends to attend the opening of the bids which will be done face-to-face or through videoconference.

Electronic transmission

The files making up the electronic application must be sent to the following address: cipm@pak.cm with a copy to the addresses: emile.mbome@pak.cm and yves.melingui@pak.cm in Microsoft Word or PDF format and protected access by a password held exclusively by the tenderer, until the opening of the bids.

Physical transmission

Each application file must be submitted in six (06) copies, including one (1) initialed original, in French or English, and five (05) hard copies, with an electronic copy on a flash drive.





Each document in the initialed original file must be clearly marked « original » to distinguish it from the copies.

In case of discrepancy between the original and a copy, the original version prevails.

The original of the application file and each of the five (05) copies must be placed in six (06) separate closed envelopes, clearly marked « original » or « copy ».

Each of the six (06) envelopes will include two envelopes, a first containing the administrative file and a second containing the technical file.

The six (06) envelopes and the flash drive in a sealed envelope will be placed in an envelope or a sealed outer container which must be deposited, against discharge, at the PAK's Public Contracts Department, located at R+2 building of the PAK, adjoining at the MEAO building, in Kribi, in a sealed envelope, bearing the mention:

«NOTICE OF INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST N° 2022/001/IPCEI/PAK OF 31 MARS 2022 FOR THE PREQUALIFICATION OF COMPANIES WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RESTRICTED CALL FOR TENDERS RELATIVE TO THE SETTING UP OF A GAS POWER PLANT AT THE PORT OF KRIBI»

«To be opened only during the bid-opening session»

The inner envelopes must indicate the name and address of the candidate so that, if necessary, his application file can be returned.

C. BID OPENING

Applications submitted within the required deadlines will be opened face-to-face or through videoconference by the Ad Hoc committee set up for this purpose by the General Manager of the PAK.

Only applicants may attend this opening session or be represented by a duly mandated person of their choice.

The opening of bids will take place on 16 MAI 2022 at 3 p.m. by the aforementioned Commission in the meeting room located in the R+2 building of the PAK in Kribi.

After opening the bids and identifying the candidates in public session, the committee will verify the compliance of the files (conditions of presentation of the application file, presence of the requested documents and compliance with the models). Applications deemed non-compliant will be rejected.

If the committee deems it appropriate and necessary, it may ask the candidate(s) to provide the missing documents or any additional information or document. In this case, the candidate concerned will be required to respond to the committee within the prescribed period.





The bid opening report will establish the list of compliant files and will clearly mention any reasons for non-compliance of other files. It will be prepared and signed on the spot by all the members of the committee and will be sent to all the present candidates.

After signing the bid opening minutes, the committee President will close the session and the rest of the committee's work will take place in private.

D. EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

The committee will analyze each application file to assess and classify the candidates based on the following criteria:

- Their experience in carrying out similar projects (financing, construction, operation, and maintenance of gas power plants) assessed based on the size of structures built, and operated by the candidate (capacity of gas power plants), the CAPEX amount, mastery of the technical mode used (combined cycle, simple cycle, etc.), the technology used (internal combustion gas engine, gas turbine, etc.), the duration of operation of the power plants, etc.;
- The administrative compliance of their application.

Applications will be assessed and scored using the grid below:

N°	Criteria	Score
1	Experience in the financing, construction, operation, and maintenance of gas power plants	90
	Experience in financing similar projects, assessed based on the evaluation of 5 relevant references proposed by the candidate. Each reference will be scored from 0 to 4 points, according to the following allocation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The size of the project (CAPEX amount): 1 point- The level of financial participation in the project (Equity amount): 2 points- The geographical context of the project: 1 point	20
	Experience in the turnkey construction of gas power plants, assessed based on the evaluation of 5 relevant references proposed by the candidate. Each reference will be scored from 0 to 7 points, according to the following allocation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The size of the project (capacity of the gas power plant): 2 points- The technical model (simple cycle, combined cycle, etc.): 2 points- The type of technology used (gas turbine, gas engine, etc.); 1 point- The duration of the gas power plant construction: 1 point	35





	- The geographical context of the project: 1 point	
	Experience in the operation and maintenance of gas power plants, assessed based on the evaluation of 5 relevant references proposed by the candidate. Each reference will be scored from 0 to 7 points, according to the following allocation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The size of the project (capacity of the gas power plant): 2 points- The technical model used (simple cycle, combined cycle, etc.): 1 point- The type of technology used (gas turbine, gas engine, etc.): 1 point- The duration of the operating/maintenance period of the gas power plant: 2 points- The geographical context of the project: 1 point	35
2	Administrative compliance of the application file	10
	Total	100

E. NOTIFICATION OF RESULTS

At the end of the evaluation of application files, selected candidates will be notified and invited to participate in the next stage relative to the restricted call for tenders by registered letter with acknowledgment of receipt from the General Manager of the PAK.

Conditions for participation in the next stage will be specified in the Restricted Call for Tenders file which will be given to the concerned candidates.

VII. APPLICABLE LAW

This procedure is governed by laws and regulations in force in Cameroon.

VIII. FUNDING

Each candidate is responsible for all costs related to the preparation and submission of his application file.

Done in Kribi, on **31 MARS 2022**

The General Manager of the Port Authority of Kribi


Le Directeur
Général
Patrice Melom



APPENDICES





IX. APPENDIX 1: EXPRESSION OF INTEREST LETTER MODEL

[Letterhead of the candidate or the leader of the Consortium]

Subject: Letter of expression of interest for the pre-selection of companies wishing to participate in the Restricted Call for Tenders for the setting up of a gas power plant at the port of Kribi.

The General Manager of the
Port Authority of Kribi

[_____], the [____], 2022

The General Manager,

As part of the procedure launched for the pre-selection of companies wishing to participate in the restricted call for tenders related to the setting up of a gas power plant at the port of Kribi, we hereby express our interest in the project and submit our application file prepared in accordance with the instructions contained in the notice of call for expressions of interest.

[Add in case of submission in Consortium: This application is presented in Consortium with the companies [_____] , our company acting as leader, in its name and in the name and on behalf of the other members of the Consortium [.]

We confirm that we have read the entire content of the call for expression of interest and accept without reservation all its terms.

Attached hereto are all the documents making up our application file.

We designate as representative [Name of the representative], [Address, telephone and fax number, e-mail address of the representative], for the receipt of all the notifications provided for in this procedure.

We certify on honor that all the documents and information provided in our application file are sincere and accurate in all respects.

[Name, title, signature, stamp]





X. APPENDIX 2: GENERAL PRESENTATION MODEL OF THE CANDIDATE

1. Company name and legal form
2. Address of administrative headquarters
3. Contacts
4. Telephone
5. Fax
6. Email / web site
7. Address of the registered office of the company
8. Summary presentation of the company (main managers, workforce, portfolio of activities carried out, etc.)

In the event of a consortium, all the above information must be provided by each of the member of the consortium.





XI. APPENDIX 3: MODEL OF CONSORTIUM DECLARATION

We the undersigned,

Legal person 1

Company (Company name and legal form):

Registered Address:

Trade register no.:

Primary activity:

Represented by _____ (Last name, first name, nationality, national identity card number, residence card or passport), as _____

Legal person 2

Company (Company name and legal form):

Registered Address:

Trade register no.:

Primary activity:

Represented by _____ (Last name, first name, nationality, national identity card number, residence card or passport), as _____

Legal person 3

Company (Company name and legal form):

Registered Address:

Trade register no.:

Primary activity:

Represented by _____ (Last name, first name, nationality, national identity card number, residence card or passport), as _____

Hereby declare, to act jointly and severally within the framework of the _____ consortium, to respond to the international public call for expressions of interest launched by the General Manager of the Port Authority of Kribi regarding the pre-selection of companies wishing to participate in the restricted call for tenders related to the setting up of a gas power plant at the port of Kribi.

Designate as leader of the consortium _____

Done at _____, on the _____

[Name, title, signature, stamp]
[Name, title, signature, stamp]
[Name, title, signature, stamp]





XII. APPENDIX 4: DECLARATION ON HONOR STATEMENT MODEL

I, the undersigned, _____ (surname, first name, nationality, national identity card number, residence card or passport), representing the company (company name and legal form of the company),

To the capital of:

Registered Address:

Trade register no.:

Declare on honor that:

- The company is not in dispute with the State of Cameroon in any area whatsoever;
- The company is neither in compulsory liquidation nor in receivership.

I certify that all the information contained in our application file is correct.

Done at _____, on the _____

[Name, title, signature, stamp]

In the event of a consortium application, the declaration on honor statement must be provided by each of the member of the consortium.

