



Minutes of the pre-bidding conference

RFP Number UNFPA/MDA/RFP/21/001 - develop and implement the Cervical Screening Registry in the Republic of Moldova

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Cosmin Popa	Manager, Ingenios
Ludmila Girlea	Bid Coordinator, Indrivo

Questions received before the pre-bidding conference:

1. Ludmila Girlea – Bid Coordinator, Indrivo

Q: Among the requirements for developers there is software development experience using Java and relevant tools from Java technology stack. Does it mean that the Framework preference will be oriented to Java? Is it mandatory to have experience working with the Java Framework or can it be another Framework and additional Java-based tools?

A: The Ministry of Health, Labor and Social Protection (MoHLSP) already owns a system - Primary Health Care Automated Information System (PHC AIS), functional since 2015. This informational system is composed of 8 modules: electronic health record, reception, drug stock management, reporting, laboratory, etc. This tool was developed using Java framework and Microsoft SQL server as data base. The scope of the project is to extend the existing informational system with additional functionalities by integrating them into the existing user interface. Thus, we expect that the new functionalities will be developed using the same technology stack.

2. Cosmin Popa – Manager, Ingenios

Q: In order to be able to fulfill the requirements of this auction, can a Romanian company delegate the business analysis and support activities to an authorized representative defined from the



perspective of an individual located in Moldova? Is it necessary to undertake to set up permanent office for the duration of the contract and the warranty period?

A: The answer to this question is part of the Request for Proposal document, and according to Clause 2 *“this tender is open for all legally constituted companies that can provide required services and have the legal capacity to perform in the Republic of Moldova or through an authorized representative”*. It means that the Company needs to be either registered in the Republic of Moldova or to have a branch/representation legally registered in the country. Also, according to Clause 2 of the RFP, there is an option for joint ventures, where several companies can join together and submit a common proposal. For this, a JOINT VENTURE PARTNER INFORMATION FORM must be submitted (Clause 2.7., SECTION VI, Annex F). In case such an application is made, a representative shall be nominated with the authority to conduct all activities on behalf of all JV partners.

3. Alexey Brovko - Managing Director, OOO Systemy Dendrite

Q: Is the Cervical Screening Registry expected to be part of the SIA AMP system, or can it be a separate platform but integrated with SIA AMP? For example, page 36 of Annex II (Technical Requirements) requires to ‘Implement in SIA AMP mechanisms that would select patients eligible for screening Registry’ – this functionality must be implemented in SIA AMP itself – there is no other way. However, once this functionality is implemented in SIA AMP, this list of patients (together with all relevant data for each patient) can be integrated from SIA AMP to the Cervical Screening Registry, and everything else (notifications, screening records, status of each patient, reports etc.) can work in the registry. Would this approach be acceptable for you?

A: The Primary Health Care Automated Information System (PHC AIS) is designed to be used by the family doctors/physicians. In this case, the list of patients that should be included in the registry is generated by the family doctor. According to the medical normative acts, sectors with population are assigned to each doctor, the lists may be reviewed and the doctors may generate their own lists. We expect that the Cervical Screening Registry would be an integrated part of the PHC AIS and will not come as a separate functionality or an appendix to the system. It should be integrated into and make use of the already built modules and functionalities of the PHC AIS, without duplicating them: electronic health record, reception module, appointment module, laboratory module, reports/notifications module etc. The Cervical Screening Registry should be developed as an extension of the PHC AIS without changing the architecture and technology stack.

Questions received during the pre-bidding conference:

4. Alexey Brovko - Managing Director, OOO Systemy Dendrite

Q: This is a republication of the tender. What is the reason for this?

A: This tender was advertised for the first time in November 2020. Because there were changes in the technical specifications made on the request of the final beneficiary, MoHLSP, the decision of the management was to cancel the previous tender, to additionally review with the beneficiary the technical specifications, include the changes and re-advertise the tender. Even though the changes were minor, according to the tender conditions, the tender documents may not be changed during



the bidding process. Companies that applied during the first tender were informed and asked to reapply as per the new technical specifications.

5. Alexey Brovko - Managing Director, OOO Systemy Dendrite

Q: If there is already a system in place, Primary Health Care System, I assume that the Ministry of Health has already a department of developers responsible for the maintenance of the system. Why not asking them to create this additional functionality? Why do you need a tender and somebody external to do it?

A: The MoHLSP is the owner of the system. However, there is no ICT Unit within the Ministry able to develop and maintain this system. Thus, the system was handed to the National Health Insurance Company (NHIC) that has the capacity to administrate the system: create accounts, update classifiers, review logs, etc. Both the MoHLSP and NHIC have no assigned developers to develop the system. Any developments of the system are done through different tenders launched by the MoHLSP, NHIC or other donors. In this case, UNFPA, as implementing agency of the Cervical Cancer Prevention Project, is the donor and its role is to organize the tender for the development of the Registry.

6. Cosmin Popa – Manager, Ingenios

Q: If a Company is winning, will it have all the support from the previous developer? Meaning all the integration details for the new module?

A: The winning Company will have the support of the MoHLSP and NHIC, will receive the source code and access to the server with the database to perform all required developments. There is a production and testing environment in place and access to both of them will be provided. All necessary documentation will be made available: software development document of the system, testing reports. MoHLSP will facilitate any data specifications for data exchange with other authorities, made in Moldova through the platform MConnect. MoHLSP will also provide all necessary support to the Company in order to create correct requirements, methods, data sets for data exchange. Considering that this is a governmental informational system based in the governmental MCloud, the MoHLSP will facilitate the contact with the administrators of this platform in order to set up any other connections, virtual machines or receive extra resources.

Questions received after the pre-bidding conference:

7. Alexey Brovko - Managing Director, OOO Systemy Dendrite

Q: Before committing to a delivery to extend your existing system, we would need to get more information about it. Could you please share as much information/documents as possible about your existing system - e.g. technical specification, example code, access to demo etc?

A: Access to such documents will be given to the winning Company after signing the necessary documents related to intellectual protection and data security.