

**Global Water Partnership – Mediterranean (GWP – Med)**  
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**MEDITERRANEAN INFORMATION OFFICE FOR ENVIRONMENT, CULTURE AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**  
**– MIO ECSDE**

**ANNOUNCES THE PRESENT CALL 37/2023/CP2.2 FOR OFFERS**  
**For the**

***Preparation of Phase II WEF Nexus Assessment for Lebanon***

**SUBMISSION OF OFFERS BY:** 27 November 2023, at 17:00h CET

**MAX AVAILABLE BUDGET:** USD 100,000 including VAT.

**AWARD CRITERION:** most economically advantageous tender considering the best price / quality ratio

This amount includes all other costs, income taxes, VAT and any other amount payable or cost that may be required for the completion of the work/service, including travel-related costs.

### **Description of the Assignment**

GWP-Med is announcing the present Call for Offers for the Preparation of Phase II WEF Nexus Assessment for Lebanon in the framework of the “GEF/UNEP Environment “Mediterranean Sea Programme (MedProgramme): Enhancing Environmental Security” and particularly its Child Project 2.2. implemented by the Global Water Partnership-Mediterranean (GWP-Med).

The objective of the project is to balance competing water uses in priority coastal areas through water, food, energy and ecosystems integrated governance, to enhance environmental security and sharing of benefits.

The aim of the Assignment under the Call is to provide a detailed assessment of options for the optimisation of water allocation between competing uses at the level of five River Basins, to improve food security in Lebanon, relying on strategic foresight tools, including modelling and scenarios planning.

For a detailed description of the Assignment, please refer to the respective ToR.

## Procurement

The procurement will proceed having regard to:

- ✓ General principles of EU law on procurements.
- ✓ Internal Rules and Regulations of MIO-ECSDE/GWP-MED which can be found at <https://mio-ecsde.org/about-us/our-accountability> and at <https://www.gwp.org/en/About/who/Governance-Funding/>.
- ✓ The present CALL FOR OFFERS and its supporting documents.

## Offer Submission

Interested participants should submit their offer electronically including the following:

### Folder A containing the:

1. Technical form (Annex 2)
2. Solemn Self Declaration (available in Annex 1)

### Folder B (password protected) containing:

Financial offer (Annex 3)

**Please read carefully the section “How to submit an offer” of the present call, on how exactly you are required to submit your offer**

Offers must be submitted for the entire Assignment.

Offers for part of the Assignment will not be accepted.

The Participants shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of their offer.

The Contracting Authority will in no case be responsible or liable for such costs, whatever the conduct or outcome of the procedure.

The Contracting Authority will neither be responsible for, nor cover, any expenses or losses incurred by the participants for any site visits and inspections or any other aspect of their offer.

The Contracting Authority may ask Participants to submit supporting documents concerning their offer (references, certificates, publications etc.)

The language of this procedure, the tender documents and the offers is English. Any documentation (certificates, etc) submitted in any other language should be accompanied by a translation in English, certified by a lawyer or public authority.

## Deadline for submission of offers

The **deadline** for submission of offers is set to be **27 November 2023, at 17:00h CET**.

The successful participant will be informed within 10 working days following the submission deadline.

The results of the present call for offers will be published at the GWP-Med Website <https://www.gwp.org/en/GWP-Mediterranean/>

## Clarifications

### 1. Clarifications on the published Call for Offers

Requests for clarifications should be submitted by email, the latest, seven (7) days before the closing date of this call for offers.

The answers / additional information will be published on the website of GWP-Med four (4) days before the closing date of this call for offers.

## **2. Clarifications during the (technical and financial) evaluation of offers**

The Contracting Authority may, during the evaluation of offers, ask the Participants to provide clarifications on the documents submitted with their offers, within reasonable time.

Any clarifications and/or additional documents submitted by the Participants not in the context of a request for clarifications posed by the Contracting Authority are not taken into account for the evaluation of offers.

During the evaluation of offers the Contracting Authority, by applying the principles of equal treatment and of transparency, may request from participants, when the information or the documentation they are obliged to submit are or appear incomplete or wrong, including those in the Solemn self-declaration, to submit, to complement or to clarify the relevant information or documentation, within a time-frame of at least 10 calendar days, with a maximum of 20 calendar days from the date the participants receive the relevant request from the Contracting Authority.

### **Eligibility Conditions – Participation Requirements**

Participation in the present call for offers is open, on equal terms, to any natural or legal person or entity who meet the legal, financial and technical conditions laid down in this Call where they possess adequate professional experience and capacity.

### **Grounds for exclusion – disqualification (ON/OFF)**

Participants should verify by submitting a **solemn declaration** (annexed to the present Call) that they are not bankrupt or subject of proceeding for a declaration of bankruptcy, that they are in good standing, operate under no legal restrictions, are not under any liquidation procedure or the subject of proceedings for declaration of liquidation or any similar situation and that they have not been convicted for any one of the following legal offences: participation in a criminal organization, corruption, bribery, fraud, money laundering, terrorist, child labour and human trafficking.

Please refer to the **Solemn Self-Declaration Statement in Annex 1 which should be filled in and signed as indicated. Failure to comply with the requirements included in the Self Declaration is considered ground for exclusion.**

### **Selection Criteria (Pass/Fail)**

Successful participant (Natural or Legal Person or Entity) must have:

- annual turnover for the last three financial years at least equivalent to the maximum amount of this call. The participant should provide the Financial Statements (Income Statement and Balance Sheet) of the last three years duly certified by a Public Accountant, and with authentication of receiving by the Government's Internal Revenue Authority. Include any indication of credit rating, industry rating, etc.
- be enrolled in one of the official professional or trade register kept in their country of registration
- a minimum duration of operation of ten (10) years. Proof to be provided by the related chamber (date of registration).
- a record of minimum 3 projects over the last 10 years of comparable nature and degree of complexity relevant to those required for this Contract
- a record of minimum 5 projects over the last 10 years showing the capability to produce GIS maps and use Remote Sensing and modelling tools required for the preparation of the specific Assessment

Failure to comply with the above pass / fail requirements and provide relevant proof with the application is considered ground for exclusion.

## Qualification and Experience

Participants in the call are required to have solid experience in developing and managing complex projects in the field related to the tasks described in the ToR.

This needs to be demonstrated in the Technical Offer to be submitted as part of the application. A template for the Technical Offer form is available in the Call for Offers.

The Technical Offer Form consists of the following sections:

- Section 1: Expertise and work experience
- Section 2: Approach and Methodology

### **Regarding Section 1: Expertise and work experience:**

The scope of work requires an interdisciplinary team of skilled experts with previous experience in activities similar to those that this assignment entails. The required qualifications for all experts to be engaged in this assignment are presented in Table 1 below.

The inclusion of experts so as the team responds to every area of expertise defined in the table below is mandatory.

If the qualifications of an expert cover the requirements of more than one area of expertise, that expert can be also proposed for these other areas.

Qualifications additional to the minimum requested per category will receive additional score under the evaluation process as described in the section Evaluation Process and Awarding Criterion.

In addition, the Participant may propose -as they deem appropriate- additional experts covering other specific areas of expertise.

**Failure to provide the minimum required qualifications is considered ground for disqualification .**

**Table 1 – Required qualifications for the Team of Experts**

Expert #	Area of expertise	Qualifications
1	<b>Senior Remote Sensing and GIS Specialist for Water-Energy-Food Nexus Team Leader</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A minimum of a Master's degree (MSc or equivalent) in Remote Sensing, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Environmental Science, or a directly related field <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• A minimum of 10 years professional experience in the field of Remote Sensing, GIS, Spatial Analysis and Modelling and their applications in water or environmental monitoring, <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• A proven track record of a minimum of 3 successful assignments or projects in Lebanon that are directly relevant to water resources management using Remote Sensing and GIS <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 1 assignment or project directly relevant to the Water-Energy-Food Nexus approach within the past 5 years <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Strong leadership skills with the ability to lead a team of experts and effectively manage project activities <b>(Required)</b> Minimum position as team leader of team leader for 3 projects of similar complexity over the last three years</li> <li>• Proven experience in project management, including planning, budgeting, and reporting <b>(Required)</b> Minimum experience as project Manager of 3 projects of similar complexity over the last three years</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Excellent oral and written communication skills in both Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b>. For the spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.</li> </ul>
2	<b>Water Resources Management expert / Climate Change Expert</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A minimum of a Master's degree (MSc or equivalent) in Water Resources Management, Environmental Science, or Climate Change <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 10 years of professional experience in the field of water or environmental resources management or climate change <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to water resources management <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 1 assignment/project directly relevant to the Nexus approach in the past 5 years <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b>. For the spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.</li> </ul>
3	<b>Hydrological Modelling Expert</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least a University degree (MSc or equivalent) in water resources management, Hydrological modelling, Decision Support System and management, or a directly related field <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 10 years of professional experience in the field of water or environmental resources management <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to water resources management <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 1 assignment/project directly relevant to the Nexus approach in the past 5 years <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b>. For the spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.</li> </ul>
4	<b>Soil expert</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least a University degree in the field of Soil Science, Soil Classification, Soil Mapping and Soil Management. <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 15 years of professional experience in the field of Soil Management, Land Degradation, Desertification Risk Assessment and Agriculture <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to Soil, Agriculture, or Food-Water-Energy Nexus <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b>. For the spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.</li> </ul>
5	<b>Environment expert</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least a University degree in environmental engineering/management or a directly related field <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 10 years of professional experience in the field of environmental policy or environmental management <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to the assessment of environmental policies, plans, or projects, especially in the</li> </ul>

		<p>context of ecosystems management and river basin management <b>(Required)</b>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proficient in Geographic Information System (GIS) with a minimum of 5 years of hands-on experience in utilizing GIS tools for environmental analysis and mapping <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b>. For the spoken Arabic, it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.</li> </ul>
6	<b>Energy policy expert</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least a University degree in the field of Engineering or Energy or a directly related field <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 5 years of professional experience in the field of energy <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to renewable energy or energy use efficiency in the water or agriculture sectors <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Proficient in Geographic Information System (GIS) with a minimum of 5 years of hands-on experience in utilizing GIS tools for environmental analysis and mapping <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b>. For the spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.</li> </ul>
7	<b>Socio-economic expert</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least a University degree in Economics, Political Sciences, Rural Development, or any other related field <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 5 years of relevant professional working experience in the field of socio-economic analysis <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Minimum 2 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to socio-economic analysis in the environment and/or water sector <b>(Required)</b>.</li> <li>• Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b>. For spoken Arabic, it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.</li> </ul>

### 1. Evaluation Process and Awarding Criterion

The Award criterion is the **most economically advantageous tender considering the best price / quality ratio**. Offers that meet the exclusion grounds and selection criteria will undergo further evaluation, focusing on the requirements outlined in the "Qualification and Experience" section, as follows:

(1) Criterion	(2) Weighting (w)	(3) Points of criterion (c)	(4) Score= (2) x (3)
<b>Section 1: Expertise and work experience</b>	<b>80% of total</b>		
<b>Senior Remote Sensing and GIS Specialist for WEFE Nexus / Team Leader</b>	<b>17%</b>		

A minimum of a Master's degree (MSc or equivalent) in Remote Sensing, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Environmental Science, or a directly related field <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
A minimum of 10 years of professional experience in the field of Remote Sensing, GIS, Spatial Analysis and Modelling and their applications in water or environmental monitoring, <b>(Required)</b> .	6%		
A proven track record of a minimum of 3 successful assignments or projects in Lebanon that are directly relevant to water resources management using Remote Sensing and GIS <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 1 assignment or project directly relevant to the Nexus approach within the past 5 years <b>(Required)</b> .	2%		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strong leadership skills with the ability to lead a team of experts and effectively manage project activities <b>(Required)</b>. Minimum position as team leader of team leader for 3 projects of similar complexity over the last three years</li> </ul>	1%		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proven experience in project management, including planning, budgeting, and reporting <b>(Required)</b> Minimum experience as project Manager of 3 projects of similar complexity over the last three years</li> </ul>	1%		
Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b> . For the spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.	1%		
<b>Water Resources Management expert / Climate Change Expert</b>	<b>12%</b>		
A minimum of a Master's degree (MSc or equivalent) in Water Resources Management, Environmental Science, or Climate Change <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 10 years of professional experience in the field of water or environmental	3%		

resources management or climate change <b>(Required)</b> .			
Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to water resources management <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 1 assignment/project directly relevant to the WEF Nexus approach in the past 5 years <b>(Required)</b> .	2%		
Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b> . For the spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.	1%		
<b>Hydrological Modelling Expert</b>	<b>12%</b>		
At least a University degree (MSc or equivalent) in water resources management, Hydrological modelling, Decision Support System and management, or a directly related field <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 10 years of professional experience in the field of water or environmental resources management <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to water resources management <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 1 assignment/project directly relevant to the Nexus approach in the past 5 years <b>(Required)</b> .	2%		
Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b> . For the spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.	1%		
<b>Soil expert</b>	<b>12%</b>		
At least a University degree in the field of Soil Science, Soil Classification, Soil Mapping and Soil Management. <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 15 years of professional experience in the field of Soil Management, Land Degradation, Desertification Risk Assessment and Agriculture <b>(Required)</b> .	4%		
Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to Soil, Agriculture, or Food-Water-Energy Nexus <b>(Required)</b> .	4%		



Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b> . For the spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.	1%		
<b>Environment expert</b>	<b>9%</b>		
At least a University degree in environmental engineering/management or a directly related field <b>(Required)</b> .	2%		
Minimum 10 years of professional experience in the field of environmental policy or environmental management <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to the assessment of environmental policies, plans, or projects, especially in the context of ecosystems management and river basin management <b>(Required)</b> .	2%		
Proficient in Geographic Information System (GIS) with a minimum of 5 years of hands-on experience in utilizing GIS tools for environmental analysis and mapping <b>(Required)</b> .	1%		
Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b> . For the spoken Arabic, it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic	1%		
<b>Energy policy expert</b>	<b>9%</b>		
At least a University degree in the field of Engineering or Energy or a directly related field <b>(Required)</b> .	2%		
Minimum 5 years of professional experience in the field of energy <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 3 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to renewable energy or energy use efficiency in the water or agriculture sectors <b>(Required)</b> .	2%		
Proficient in Geographic Information System (GIS) with a minimum of 5 years of hands-on experience in utilizing GIS tools for environmental analysis and mapping <b>(Required)</b> .	1%		
Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b> . For the	1%		

spoken Arabic it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.			
<b>Socio-economic expert</b>	<b>9%</b>		
At least a University degree in Economics, Political Sciences, Rural Development, or any other related field <b>(Required)</b> .	2%		
Minimum 5 years of relevant professional working experience in the field of socio-economic analysis <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Minimum 2 assignments/projects in Lebanon relevant to socio-economic analysis in the environment and/or water sector <b>(Required)</b> .	3%		
Excellent oral and written communication skills in Arabic and English <b>(Required)</b> . For spoken Arabic, it is preferable that the candidate speaks Levantine Arabic.	1%		
<b>Section 2: Approach and Methodology</b>	<b>20% of total</b>		
The approach to the requested Assignment will include a detailed description of the methodology to achieve all objectives and tasks, deliver all outputs as described in the Terms of Reference, and consider the appropriateness to local conditions.	15%		
Risks and Mitigation Measures: description of the potential risks associated with the implementation of the Assignment, which have the potential to hinder the successful achievement and timely completion of anticipated outcomes, as well as compromise their quality. This will also entail a description of the counteractive measures that will be implemented to mitigate these risks.	5%		

**Failure to provide the minimum required qualifications is considered ground for disqualification.**

**Scoring** for each evaluated section will be made as following:

**Section 1 – Expertise and work experience:** score starts at 100 points (when minimum requirements are met) and can reach 150 points depending on the description of the participant and the number of projects implemented in excess of those required as a minimum. (100p Base +10p for extra criteria over base up to 50 additional points)

**Section 2 – Approach and Methodology:** score starts at 100 points and can reach 150 points depending on the length, detail, depth, and structure of the information provided.

Each Section/evaluation criterion is evaluated autonomously. The final scoring of each evaluation criterion is the outcome of its scoring multiplied by the corresponding weighting factor. The overall score of the technical offer is the sum of the final scoring of all the Sections/evaluation criteria.

The overall score of the technical offer is calculated on the basis of the following formula:

$$Bi = w1 \times c1 + w2 \times c2 + \dots$$

For the overall score which will determine the ranking of offers, technical evaluation will be weighted with 80%, and the financial offer with 20%.

The final listing of the most advantageous offers will be made on the basis of the following formula:

$$\Lambda_i = 0.8 * (Bi/Bmax) + 0.2 * (Kmin/Ki).$$

Where:

- Bmax: the max score received by the best of the technical offers received
- Bi: the score of the technical offer
- Kmin: The cost of the financial offer with the minimum price offered.
- Ki: The cost of the financial offer

The most advantageous offers is the one with the greater value of  $\Lambda$ .

In case of equality of overall scores, the winning proposal is the one whose corresponding technical proposal received the highest rating.

### Contract Price, Deliverables and Schedule of Payment

The maximum fee for this assignment is 100.000,00 USD. This amount includes all other costs, income taxes and any other amount payable or cost that may be required for the completion of the work/service, including VAT.

For a detailed description of Tasks, please refer to the ToR. Deadlines to be possibly adapted based on the actual dates that the workshops will take place.

Schedule deliverables and payments:

Deliverables		Deadline / months after signature / contract	Payment
1.	Inception Report, including the selection of the five river basins, a detailed work-plan with a timeline and a draft Table of Contents for the final report.	Month 2	20% of contract value
2.	Report detailing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Current challenges in the selected river basins</li> <li>- Definition of objectives and corresponding indicators</li> <li>- Definition of potential intervention scenarios to reach the defined objectives, including a BAU scenario.</li> <li>- Inventory of data collected</li> <li>- Verification missions report</li> <li>- Modelling framework and tools used</li> <li>- Data survey/analysis and mapping of geospatial datasets.</li> </ul>	Months 2-6	30% of contract value
3.	Report describing:	Months 4-6	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inventory of data required for modelling</li> <li>- Modelling framework developed</li> <li>- Definition of climate scenarios and their interlinkage with socioeconomic aspects</li> <li>- Economic loss from adopted climate scenarios</li> </ul>		
4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Assessment of socio-economic opportunities related to the adopted scenarios and indicators</li> <li>- Recommendations for policymakers and stakeholders (English and/or Arabic).</li> </ul>	Months 6-10	20% of contract value
5.	<p>Report describing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the transfer of the data collected and of the outputs from the modelling exercise to the relevant institutions</li> <li>- the capacity building activities carried out to empower the technical personnel of institutions to enable to uptake and use of the produced data/information</li> </ul>	Months 6-10	
6.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Report of stakeholders' engagement through bilateral or multi-lateral meetings.</li> <li>- Presentations and report of the multi-stakeholder Consultation event.</li> <li>- Information in different formats to support communication materials prepared by GWP-Med during the implementation of Phase II Assessment targeted to National institutions and other stakeholders (English and Arabic).</li> </ul>	Month 2-12: To be developed at key stages of the Assignment preparation process to be agreed with the Consultant(s) (English and/or Arabic)	30% of contract value
7.	Final Nexus Assessment report and related Information Note (English and Arabic)	Months 10-12	

GWP-Med may order additional services from the successful candidate to complement the task described in the ToR if specific needs arise that cannot be anticipated at this moment. In any case the value of any additional service requested cannot exceed 50% of the amount of the present call.

**The successful consultant must Provide before contract signature.**

- 1) Certification of payment of Taxes,
- 2) Certification of payment of Social Insurance contributions.

**Termination / cancelation / repetition / reformulation of the procurement procedure**

Termination of a procurement procedure, partial cancellation and repetition of a procedure, reformulation of procedure results.

1. GWP-Med/MIO-ECSDE may, by a reasoned decision, and after the opinion of the competent body, cancel the procurement procedure by annulling the respective Call, either due to failure to submit a tender or the rejection of all tenders or the exclusion of all Participants in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Call.
2. Cancellation of the procurement procedure may take place by a reasoned decision of the GWP-Med/MIO-ECSDE, in the following cases:

- i. due to the irregularity of the procurement procedure
- ii. if the financial and technical parameters related to the award process have changed substantially and the execution of the contractual object is no longer of interest to GWP-Med/MIO-ECSDE
- iii. if due to force majeure, the contract cannot be properly executed
- iv. if the tender selected is deemed not economically advantageous
- v. in case of expiry of the bids
- vi. in case the needs of GWP-Med/MIO-ECSDE and / or of the beneficiary (-ies) of the project have changed
- vii. in case the circumstances have changed resulting in the inability to deliver the contract / project (eg local community reactions, inability to fund, etc.).
- viii. in case of other imperative reasons of public interest such as for purposes of public health or environmental protection.

3. If errors or omissions are found at any stage of the award procedure, the GWP-Med/MIO-ECSDE may, after the opinion of the competent body, either cancel the proceedings partially or reshape the outcome accordingly or decide to repeat the procedure from the point where the error occurred. or omission.

4. GWP-Med/MIO-ECSDE also reserves the right, after the opinion of the competent body, to decide, in addition to the cancellation of the procurement procedure or the annulment of the Call, the repetition of any phase of the concluding procedure, as well, with or without modifying its terms or recourse to the negotiation process, provided it is in conformity with the Internal Rules and Regulations of GWP-MED /MIO-ECSDE.

5. Under no circumstances shall GWP-MED /MIO-ECSDE be obliged to pay to Participants any compensation for expenses or other positive or consequential damages that may have been incurred by their participation in the proceedings.

## Objections

Objections against any act of the Contracting Authority can be submitted within five (5) days from the notification of the Contracting Authority's act.

An objection to the call for offers can be submitted within a period that extends up to half the period from the publication of the call in the Contracting Authority's website and the final date of submission of offers. For the calculation of this period's deadline, the dates of the publication of the call and the submission of the offers are considered. Objections are submitted in written, by courier, by fax or by email.

Objections are submitted to the Contracting Authority, which shall decide within ten (10) days from the notification of the objection. In the event of an objection to the call for offers, the Contracting Authority shall decide in any case before the closing date for the submission of offers. In case the Contracting Authority has not answered within the above deadline, the rejection of the objection is presumed.

## How to submit an Offer

**The submission of offers can will be done electronically via e-mail.**

Therefore, you are kindly requested to prepare and send an email to [procurement@gwpmed.org](mailto:procurement@gwpmed.org) writing in the email subject line: Call for Offers 37/2023/CP2.2, before the above-mentioned closing date for submission of offers the following two folders:

1. A compressed folder (**Folder A**) (.zip or .rar) containing the technical offer, the Solemn Declaration and any other supporting documents
2. **A password-protected compressed folder(Folder B) (.zip or .rar)** containing only your financial offer. The password for opening the password protected folder with your financial offer should be sent to the same email address ONLY at the request of the contracting Authority which will send a follow up email to all participants that their technical offer has passed the technical evaluation.

**In case the password is sent together with the offer file, the offer will be rejected.**

**In case the financial offer is not password protected, the offer will be rejected.**

Offers submitted after the specified date and time shall not be taken into consideration.

The Contracting Authority bears no liability whatsoever for any late delivery of offers or for the contents of its accompanying folders.

For any clarifications on the present call for offers please contact:

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e-mail: [barbara@gwpmed.org](mailto:barbara@gwpmed.org)

The present call for offers is posted on the website of GWP-Med ([www.gwp-med.org](http://www.gwp-med.org)).

The Chairman of GWP-Med/MIO-ECSDE

Prof. Michael J. Scullos