Approved by the order of the Chairman of "Azerbaijan Caspian Shipping Closed Joint Stock Company dated 1st of December 2016No. 216.



**AZERBAIJAN CASPIAN SHIPPING CLOSED JOINT STOCK COMPANY IS ANNOUNCING OPEN BIDDING FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF AUDITING SERVICES RELATED TO THE SOFTWARE ASSET MANAGEMENT**

 **B I D D I N G No. AM025/2021**

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|  | **Submission documentation required for participation in the bidding :*** Application for participation in the bidding (template has been attached hereto) ;
* Bank evidence as a proof of participation fee ;
* Bidding offer :
* Bank document confirming financial condition of the consignor within the last year (or within the period of operation if less than one year) ;
* Statement issued by the relevant tax authorities on the absence of expired commitments associated with taxes and other compulsory payments and failure of obligations set forth in the Tax Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan for the last one year (excluding the period of suspension).

At the initial stage, application for participation in the bidding ( signed and stamped ) and bank evidence proving payment of participation fee (excluding bidding offer) shall be submitted in English, Russian or in Azerbaijani languages to the official address of "Azerbaijan Caspian Shipping" CJSC (hereinafter referred to as "ASCO" or "Procuring Organization") through email address of contact person in charge by **18.00** (Baku time) on **May 24, 2021**. Whereas, other necessary documents shall be submitted as enclosed in the bidding offer envelope.   Description (list) of goods, works or services has been attached hereto.  |
|  | **The participation fee and Collection of General Terms and Conditions:*** Any participant (bidder), who desires to participate in the bidding, shall pay for participation fee stated below (the payment order shall necessarily state the name of the organization holding open bidding and the subject of the bidding) and shall submit the evidence as a proof of payment to ASCO not later than the date stipulated in section one. All participants (bidders), who have fulfilled these requirements, may obtain General Terms and Conditions relating to the procurement subject from contact person in charge by the date envisaged in section IV of this announcement at any time from 09.00 till 18.00 in any business day of the week.
* Participation fee amount (VAT exclusive): No participation fee to be provided for this bidding.
* The participation fee may be paid in AZN or equivalent amount thereof in USD or EURO.
* ***Account No. :***

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| Name : The International Bank of Azerbaijan ABB- Customer Service DepartmentCode : 805250TAX ID : 9900001881Correspondent account : AZ03NABZ01350100000000002944SWIFT : IBAZAZ2XBeneficiary : AZARB.XAZAR DANIZ GAMICILIYI QSCTAX ID : 1701579951Account No. (AZN) : AZ36IBAZ38050019441115341120 | Intermediary Bank : Citibank N.Y, New YorkAcc.36083186, SWIFT: CITIUS33Beneficiary Bank : The International Bank of AzerbaijanIBA- Customer Service DepartmentSWIFT : IBAZAZ2X Nizami str., 67Beneficiary : AZARB.XAZAR DANIZ GAMICILIYI QSCTAX ID : 1701579951Account No. : AZ26IBAZ38150018401115341120 | Intermediary Bank : Commerzbank AG, Frankfurt am MainSWIFT : COBADEFFACC # 400 88 660 3001Beneficiary Bank : The International Bank of Azerbaijan,IBA-Premier Customer ServiceSWIFT : IBAZAZ2X Nizami str., 67Beneficiary : Azerbaijan Caspian Shipping CJSCTAX ID : 1701579951Account No. : AZ06IBAZ38150019781115341120 |

* **Except for circumstances where the bidding is cancelled by ASCO, participation fee shall in no case be refunded !**
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|  |  **Security for a bidding offer :** * The bank guarantee is required in the amount of at least 1 (one) % of the bidding offer price. A bank guarantee sample shall be specified in the General Terms and Conditions.
* Bank guarantees shall be submitted enclosed in the bidding offer envelope along with the bidding offer. Otherwise, the Purchasing Organization shall reserve the right to reject such offer.
* The financial institution that issued the guarantee should be acknowledged in the Republic of Azerbaijan and / or international financial transactions. The purchasing organization shall reserve the right not to accept and reject any unreliable bank guarantee.
* Persons wishing to participate in the bidding and intending to submit another type of warranty (letter of credit, securities, transfer of funds to the special banking account set forth by the Procuring Organization in the bidding documents, deposit and other financial assets) shall request and obtain a consent from ASCO through the contact person reflected in the announcement on the acceptability of such type of warranty.
* Contract performance bond is required in the amount of 5 (five) % of the purchase price.
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|  | **Final deadline date and time for submission of the bidding offer :*** All participants, which have submitted their application for participation in the bidding and bank evidence as a proof of payment of participation fee by the date and time stipulated in section one, and shall submit their bidding offer (one original and two copies) enclosed in sealed envelope to ASCO by **18.00** Baku time on **May 31, 2021.**
* All bidding offer envelopes submitted after above-mentioned date and time shall be returned back unopened.
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|  | **Address of the procuring company :**The Azerbaijan Republic, Baku city, AZ1003 (postcode), 2 Neftchilar Avenue, Procurement Committee of ASCO. **Contact person in charge:***Vugar Jalilov* Senior procurement specialist at the Procurement Department of ASCOTelephone No. : +99451 229 62 79Email address: vuqar.calilov@asco.az, :tender@asco.azEmil BabayevSenior Specialist of ASCO Information Technology Department - System ArchitectTelephone No. : +99451 250 82 58E-mail: emil.babayev@asco.azmailto:emil.babayev@asco.az **Contact person on legal issues :**Landline No.: +994 12 4043700 (ext: 1262)Email address: tender@asco.azmailto:tender@asco.az |
|  | **Tender offer envelopes` opening date and time :**Opening of the envelopes shall take place on **June 01, 2021 at 15.30** Baku time in the address stated in section V of the announcement. Persons wishing to participate in the opening of the envelopes shall submit a document confirming their permission to participate (the relevant power of attorney from the participating legal entity or natural person) and the ID card at least half an hour before the commencement of the bidding. |
|  | **Information on the winner of the bidding :**Information on the winner of the bidding will be posted in the "Announcements" section of the ASCO official website.  |

(On the participant`s letter head)

APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN

THE OPEN BIDDING

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To the attention of the Chairman of ASCO Procurement Committee

Mr Jabrail Mahmudlu

We, hereby confirm the intention of [ to state full name of the participant ] to participate in the open bidding No. [ bidding No. shall be inserted by participant ] announced by ASCO in respect of procurement of "\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_" .

Moreover, we confirm that no winding - up or bankruptcy proceeding is being performed or there is no circumstance of cessation of activities or any other circumstance that may impede participation of [ to state full name of the participant ] in the stated bidding.

In addition, we warrant that [ to state full name of the participant ] is not an affiliate of ASCO.

Below mentioned contact details are available to respond to any question that may emerge in relation to the documents submitted and other issues :

* Contact person in charge : . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
* Position of the contact person : . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
* Telephone No. : . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .
* E-mail: . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .

Attachment :

1. Original of the bank evidence as a proof of payment of participation fee – \_\_ page(s).

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(initials of the authorized person) (signature of the authorized person)

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 (position of the authorized person)

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**DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:**

**Procurement of Software Asset Management (SAM) audit services**

**Purpose of the project:**

Audit of licensing agreements concluded between Azerbaijan Caspian Shipping CJSC and Microsoft, modification of software nomenclature for more rational use, preparation and submission of reports, opinions and proposals on optimization of software for the purposes of reduction of financial costs for purchase and / or rental of software.

Conducting training on the Microsoft software licensing process for employees appointed by ASCO.

Preparation and submission of report on the current status for the use of various Microsoft software implemented at the Company.

The project shall be performed in compliance with the requirements of Microsoft implemented in the sphere of Software Asset Management (SAM).

**Scope of the Project :**

The project covers concluded Enterprise Agreement, MPSA, Open, CSP type agreements, as well as licenses obtained in the form of OEM. SAM (software asset management) audit shall be conducted at "Azerbaijan Caspian Shipping" CJSC and its subsidiaries:

Azerbaijan State Marine Academy

Azerbaijan Maritime College

Training and Education Centre

Caspian Sea Project MRI

ACCO Logistics LLC

Denizchi Housing Construction Cooperative

Yacht Club LLC

Seamen Polyclinic LLC

Denizchi Repair and Construction LLC

ASCO Transport LLC

ASCO Security LLC

Usage of the Microsoft software on the following IT equipment and virtual infrastructure shall be tested and verified within the scope of the project:

The number of computers up to 1700

The number of physical servers up to 40

The number of virtual servers up to 50

The collection of information about the installed software and its subsequent analysis shall be carried out on the basis of the NDA (Nondisclosure Agreement (Confidentiality Agreement)) concluded in advance.

For technical questions please contact :

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E-mail: emil.babayev@asco.az "mailto:mailto:emil.babayev@asco.az

Due diligence shall be performed in accordance with the Procurement Guidelines of ASCO prior to the conclusion of the purchase agreement with the winner of the bidding.

 The company shall enter through this link http: //asco.az/sirket/satinalmalar/podratcilarin-elektron-muraciet-formasi// to complete the special form or submit the following documents:http://asco.az/sirket/satinalmalar/podratcilarin-elektron-muraciet-formasi/

* Articles of Association of the company (all amendments and changes including)
* An extract from state registry of commercial legal entities (such extract to be issued not later than last 1 month)
* Information on the founder in case if the founder of the company is a legal entity
* Certificate of Tax Payer`s Identification Number
* Audited accounting balance sheet or tax declaration (depending on the taxation system) / reference issued by taxation bodies on non-existence of debts for tax
* Identification card of the legal representative
* Licenses necessary for provision of the relevant services / works (if any)

No agreement of purchase shall be concluded with the company which did not present the above-mentioned documents or failed to be assessed positively as a result of the due diligence performed and shall be excluded from the bidding !