

## **Notice regarding the publication of a Pre-Qualification Process for an Express Lanes - Highway 5**

The Government of Israel, through an Inter-Ministerial Tender Committee comprised of the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Transport, National Infrastructures and Road Safety, Inbal Insurance Company (a government-owned Company), and the Ayalon Route Company (a government-owned company responsible for the execution of transportation infrastructure projects in Israel) (all, the “**Tender Committee**”) hereby invites all local and foreign entities and joint ventures thereof to participate in the Pre-Qualification Process of a Tender for a PPP project for the execution of the Express Lanes - Highway 5 (the “**Tender**”, or the “**Project**”).

The Project constitutes of, for indicative purposes only, *inter alia*, the construction, operation and ,maintenance of three (3) major integrated transport complexes (“**ITC**”) near Qesem Interchange, near Tiqwa Interchange and near Morasha Interchange; the operation of express lanes along Highway 5 from Qesem Interchange to Glilot East Interchange - both to the east and to the west, in an accumulative length for both directions of approximately 25 km (the “**Express Lanes**”); the design, build and operation of a toll system and toll collection in the Express Lanes; and the operation of a bus transport array from the ITCs to the metropolitan area of Tel Aviv, For a concession period of twenty eight (28) years and eleven (11) months. The content of the services required of the successful bidder will be finally determined in the Tender stage documents.

### **1. The Selection Process**

The competitive selection process will be conducted in two (2) stages: this Pre-Qualification Process and a Tender stage for the selection of the successful bidder who will execute the Project. Only participants announced as "Eligible Participants" in the Pre-Qualification Process will be invited to participate in the Tender stage.

### **2. Pre-Qualification Requirements**

The requirements for the participation in the Pre-Qualification Process include, *inter alia*, requirements in the fields of civil engineering and bus operation, and financial requirements, as detailed in the Pre-Qualification Forms.

3. The Pre-Qualification Documents and their updates will be available for viewing, *ex gratia*, as of June 6, 2022, under the “Tenders” tab on the Accountant General website: [www.mr.gov.il/ilgstorefront/he/search/?s=TENDER](http://www.mr.gov.il/ilgstorefront/he/search/?s=TENDER)
4. The participation in the Pre-Qualification Process will be subject to a fee payment NIS fifteen thousand (15,000), that will not be reimbursed. The payment methods are specified in Section 3.6.2 of the Pre-Qualification Documents.
5. Only an entity that paid the above mentioned amount will be permitted to participate in the Pre-Qualification Process and submit requests for clarification to the Tender Committee.
6. The Pre-Qualification submission will take place on **December 15 ,2022, no later than 14:00** to the Tender box that will be placed in Inbal Insurance Company Ltd., Inbal House, 3 Arava St., 5th Floor, P.O.B 282, Airport City, Ben-Gurion Airport 7015103.
7. Participants may raise questions and requests for clarifications of the Pre-Qualification Documents in writing, by no later than October 20, 2022, addressed to Mr. Yuval Raz, Senior Deputy Accountant General, Chairman of the Tender Committee via the Tender’s designated Mailbox: PPP-Fastlanes-5@inbal.co.il, according to Section 3.9 of the Pre-Qualification Documents.
8. The Tender Committee reserves the right to hold a voluntary and non-binding conference, to be held in a location and time that will be announced separately.
9. It is explicitly clarified this notice contains general and partial information only. Further conditions, requirements and stipulations with respect to the Pre-Qualification Process are as detailed in the Invitation for Pre-Qualification. The Tender Committee reserves the right to annul or revise the conditions of the Pre-Qualification Process and its schedule, to conduct clarification meetings with the Participants (or any of them) and any other right reserved to it on the Invitation or per the Law, all in accordance with the provisions of the Invitation for Pre-Qualification. It is clarified that in the event of a discrepancy between said in this notice and the Pre-Qualification Documents, the Pre-Qualification Documents shall prevail.