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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

SUBJECT: CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST IN THE SEARCH FOR PARTIES INTERESTED IN SETTING UP AN INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL PARTNERSHIP WITH THE POLIGRAFICO GROUP

The Istituto Poligrafico e Zecca dello Stato S.p.A., hereinafter referred to as Poligrafico, a company wholly owned by the Italian Ministry of Economy and Finance, within the scope of its institutional function pursuant to Art. 2 of Law no. 559 et seq. of 13 July 1966, exclusively produces and supplies security papers, printed matter and publications, also on computer media, as well as paper products for the needs of State administrations.

Over the years, Poligrafico has developed significant know-how on security products in all phases of product life, from design to development, from production to deployment, and is constantly engaged in identifying new technologies and defining innovative models in the field of physical and digital identity, anti-counterfeiting and coinage.

The Poligrafico, with a view to strengthening its institutional role, aimed at providing solutions at the service of the State aimed at guaranteeing public trust, intends to proceed with the search and selection of parties potentially interested in setting up commercial and industrial partnerships in the field of security and holographic cards and, more generally, anti-counterfeiting and traceability solutions ("Field of Use"), also through the joint participation in European and international tenders, calls and projects.

These activities may also be carried out together with other companies of the Poligrafico Group.

1. RECIPIENTS

This call is addressed to all those subjects of all nationalities, public and private, who meet the requirements set out in the following paragraph.

Please note that only legal entities are entitled to participate in projects as partners.

Consultancy companies, whose main corporate purpose is the development and management of European projects, are excluded from participation.

In addition, participants must fulfil, under penalty of exclusion, the general requirements set out in section 2 below.

2. PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

Subjects who, on the date of submission of the declaration of interest, meet the following requirements are eligible to participate in this procedure:

- enrolment in the register of companies for activities relevant (field of use) to those covered by this call; For economic operators from another Member State, not resident in Italy: enrolment in one of the equivalent professional or commercial registers of the other States

- absence, with reference to all the persons referred to therein, of the grounds for exclusion set out in Articles 94 and 95 of Legislative Decree 36/2023;
- absence of further prohibitions to contract with the public administration under the applicable legislation.

The aforementioned requirements must be possessed by all participants and must be self-certified by completing Annex A to this notice.

3. DOCUMENTATION TO BE ATTACHED AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

Each economic operator must provide:

- a presentation of the company indicating past experience, customer base, product portfolio in terms of adherence to the activities in para. 1 and the field of use, financial performance and certifications held (e.g: ISO, CWA, IHMA);
- the operational and qualitative arrangements for carrying out the activities covered by this expression of interest;
- financial statements for the last three financial years.

For the purposes of selecting possible business partners, Poligrafico will carry out an assessment on the basis of the competitive reference context and the adequate market response capacity, as well as on the basis of the following criteria:

- Customer base consistent with Poligrafico's core business;
- Technology portfolio;
- Diversified product portfolio;
- Financial performance in terms of profitability, self-financing capacity and debt level;
- Certifications held.

4. PARTICIPATION PROCEDURE

The duration of this procedure is 12 (twelve) months from the date of publication, extendable at the Poligrafico's discretion. Throughout the duration of the procedure, economic operators in possession of the requirements may send their declaration of interest.

In order to express interest, the economic operator must send the attachment A, called "Declaration of Interest", compiled and digitally signed to the following address: partnercommerciali@ipzs.it.

Economic operators who have expressed their interest and who meet the requirements set out in this document will be contacted at the e-mail address given in Annex A.

5. NOTICE PURSUANT TO ARTICLES 13 AND 14 OF EUROPEAN REGULATION 2016/679

Pursuant to Articles 13 and 14 of European Regulation 2016/679 we inform you that the data provided are compulsory and will be processed for the purposes related to this procedure and consequent relations as well as for the fulfilments imposed by law.

For these reasons, failure to indicate them precludes the tenderer's participation. Please note that the processing of personal data will be based on the principles of correctness, lawfulness, transparency and protection of confidentiality.

Processing will be carried out using procedures, including computerised procedures - even in the event of any communication to third parties - with logics related to the purposes indicated and in any case in such a way as to guarantee the security and confidentiality of the data. The same processing will be carried out by the Tender

Commission, where applicable. The tenderer enjoys the rights set out in Articles 15 to 18 and 20 and 21 of the European Regulation 2016/679, by virtue of which he/she may request and obtain, among other things, information on the data concerning him/her and on the purposes and methods of processing; he/she may also request that the data be updated, rectified, supplemented, erased, anonymised and blocked, and may also object to the processing of the data. These rights may be exercised by sending a request by registered letter with return receipt to the Data Protection Officer at the following address: Via Salaria, no. 691 - 00138 Rome, or by e-mail to privacy@ipzs.it, using the form available on the website of the Italian Data Protection Authority www.garanteprivacy.it.

Finally, please note that you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Data Protection Authority or another supervisory authority pursuant to Art. 13, para. 2(d) of the GDPR. The data controller is the Istituto Poligrafico e Zecca dello Stato S.p.A.

All the subjects belonging to the categories to which the data may be communicated will use them in their capacity as "Data Processors", authorised to access them by virtue of provisions of law, regulations and rules, as well as by subjects specifically authorised to process them.

Personal data are stored at the registered office of Poligrafico for the time necessary to perform the contractual relationship and in any case according to the criteria indicated in the paragraph "Personal data storage period".

The full information is available on the Poligrafico website, Privacy Section, under the heading "Policy pursuant to Articles 13 and 14 of European Regulation 2016/679, Suppliers".

6. INFORMATION

Any additional information and/or clarifications in relation to this expression of interest may be requested using the special "Tender Notices" section of the Telematic Purchasing System for the selection in question.

7. GENERAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

This notice is not binding in any way on Poligrafico, which reserves the right at any time not to proceed with the procedure, to suspend and/or cancel it or to extend its terms, without the tenderers being able to make any claims in this regard.

This notice does not constitute any obligation for Poligrafico to enter into a subsequent contract or to undertake any form of collaboration, and in no event shall tenderers be entitled to any compensation, remuneration, reimbursement or indemnity for responding to the call.

Lastly, Poligrafico undertakes to keep confidential the data and information of which it comes into possession, not to disclose them in any way or form whatsoever and not to use them for any purpose other than those envisaged in this Notice.

Annexes:

Annex A - Declaration of interest and fulfilment of requirements