

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate are invited for **Contract No. 1/WSD/22, Preventive Maintenance Works, Upgrading Works and Associated Ground Investigations for Water Supplies Department Slopes in Hong Kong & Islands and New Territories East, 2022–2025 Programme**. The works include carrying out preventive maintenance works at some 100 government slopes and retaining walls, upgrading works and associated ground investigation works at some 15 government slopes and retaining walls, and emergency works for landslide cases in Hong Kong & Islands and New Territories East. The works are scheduled to commence in July 2022 and completion in 54 months.

Tenders must be clearly marked with the tender reference and the subject of the tender on the outside of the envelope (but should not bear any indication which may relate the tender to the tenderer) addressed to the Chairman, Central Tender Board, and placed in the Government Secretariat Tender Box located at the Lobby of the Public Entrance on the Ground Floor, East Wing, Central Government Offices, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong, before 12.00 noon on Friday, 6 May 2022. Tenders must be deposited in the tender box as specified in this tender notice ('Special Tender Box') before the tender closing time. Late tenders and tenders not deposited in the Specified Tender Box will not be accepted. If tropical cyclone signal No. 8 or above is hoisted, or a black rainstorm warning signal or 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government is/are in force at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 6 May 2022, the tender closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon on the first working day after the tropical cyclone signal No. 8 is lowered, or the black rainstorm warning signal or the 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government has/have ceased to be in force. In case of blockage of the public access to the location of the Specified Tender Box at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 6 May 2022, the Government will announce extension of the tender closing time until further notice. Following removal of the blockage, the Government will announce the extended tender closing time as soon as practicable. The above announcements will be made *via* press releases on the website of Information Services Department (<http://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/today.htm>).

Forms of tender and further particulars are obtainable from Atkins China Limited, 13th Floor Wharf T&T Centre, Harbour City, Tsim Sha Tsui, Hong Kong. (Contact Person: Mr. Dickson T. K. LAW, Telephone Number: (852) 2972 1923; Fax Number: (852) 2890 6343; E-mail Address: dickson.law@atkinglobal.com)).

Selective tendering is adopted. Confirmed contractors on the List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works—Landslip Preventive/Remedial Works to Slopes/Retaining Walls or joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors with the lead participant or the major shareholder being a confirmed contractor on the List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works—Landslip Preventive/Remedial Works to Slopes/Retaining Walls who also meet the qualifications and other conditions for participation stipulated in the tender documents are invited to tender.

Contractors not yet a confirmed contractor on the List of Approved Suppliers of Materials and Specialist Contractors for Public Works—Landslip Preventive/Remedial Works to Slopes/Retaining Walls may also submit a tender if they submit a request for participation together with a duly completed application for inclusion in the above-mentioned approved list/category by 22 April 2022 to Senior Engineer/Slope Safety (2), Water Supplies Department on 46th Floor, Immigration Tower, 7 Gloucester Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong, meet the qualifications and conditions for participation, and the application for inclusion is duly approved on or before the tender closing date. Details for making the application are available at:—

http://www.devb.gov.hk/en/construction_sector_matters/contractors/index.html

Contractors will be liable to have their names removed from the approved list(s) if they fail or refuse to implement an accepted tender.

This tender is covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization and will not involve electronic auction. This notice also serves as a summary notice required under the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization.

A charge will be levied for the delivery of tender documents where the delivery of tender documents is requested by a tenderer. A written request must be made.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region does not bind itself to accept any tender irrespective of whether the tender is the lowest bid or where the assessment of

tenders is based on a marking scheme or formula approach, the tender with the highest overall score.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region reserves the right to negotiate with any tenderer about the terms of the offer.

Details of the award of this contract will be published in the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Gazette and made available on the Internet at: (<https://pcms2.gld.gov.hk/>).

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