

Call for submission of applications: provision of Consulting Services for the ‘Organisation for the European Capital of Culture - Limassol 2030 candidate city’

In preparation to bid for the title of the European Capital of Culture, the ‘Organisation for the European Capital of Culture – Limassol 2030 candidate city’ accepts applications from Consultants or from a Consulting Group specializing in the development of the ECOC Bid Book, which aims at reinforcing of the city’s candidacy.

This position aims at guiding the Organisation’s management team, at developing a strategic planning, as well as at creating the Bid Book of Limassol’s candidacy for the first phase, i.e. the pre-selection stage of the candidate cities in 2024.

The selected consultant(s)/group(s) shall be addressing the ‘Organisation for the European Capital of Culture – Limassol 2030 candidate city’.

A. Tasks:

1. To shape the strategic vision and objectives of the city of Limassol for 2030.
2. To develop a specific methodology and to contribute to the establishment of the relevant philosophy for Limassol’s candidacy.
3. To develop the procedure of engagement of citizens, artists and institutions.
4. To mentor the Artistic Director(s) and the ‘Organisation for the European Capital of Culture – Limassol 2030 candidate city’, thus enhancing the candidacy of Limassol.
5. To prepare the presentation of the Bid Book.

B. Qualifications/Requirements

1. To dispose of thorough knowledge and extensive experience in past ‘European Capital of Culture’ organisations, both in terms of the bid process and of the implementation of the ECOC itself.
2. To have previously collaborated with at least three European cities who held the ECC title in the past ten years.
3. To present a description of the methodology, workshops, documents to be produced, as well as a roadmap of actions/operations up to the pre-selection stage, which is expected to take place in spring 2024.

4. To proceed to any other action or to dispose of any other qualification enhancing their consulting capacity, such as previous experience with European programmes in Cyprus, knowledge of the Cypriot history, culture and civilization etc.
5. To prepare a financial proposal including the aforementioned services from the beginning of the agreement (February 2023) up to the announcement of the first-stage results in 2024.
6. In addition to the financial aspect, special emphasis shall be given on the proven experience of the Consultant or the Consulting Group in collaborating with candidate cities, as well as in the detailed description of the working methods and of the support procedure.

C. Requirements and Selection Procedure

Persons or groups who are citizens of any other state recognized by the Republic of Cyprus have the right to submit an application.

The Administrative Board of the Organisation, after examining all the proposals, will select the person/s or the group, and shall proceed to signing a collaboration agreement valid until the completion of the 1st stage of the bid. In case Limassol succeeds in this first stage, the collaboration may be renewed.

D. Submission of Applications

Applications in the Greek or English language shall be submitted at the offices of the 'Organisation for the European Capital of Culture – Limassol 2030 candidate city' in a closed and sealed envelope delivered with acknowledgement of receipt at Limassol Town Hall, Office No.7, 23, Archbishop Kyprianou str., 3036 Limassol, or shall be sent by registered mail to the following address: Limassol Town Hall, Office No.7, 23, Archbishop Kyprianou str., 3036, Limassol, with the following inscription on the envelope: "Provision of Consulting Services for the 'Organisation for the European Capital of Culture – Limassol 2030 candidate city' or shall be electronically submitted at ecoc2030@limassol.org.cy

Deadline for submissions: 15 February 2023.

Limassol, 23rd January 2023