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Request for Quotation no 2026-7175-276376

The engineering support in validation and release of Advanced Driver Assistance Systems ADAS for a new family of hydrogen-electric intercity buses.

Under the project entitled “*Development of an innovative family of hydrogen-electric Intercity buses*” co-financed under the Action SMART Path, Priority no I: Support for Entrepreneurs, European Funds for Modern Economy co-financed from EU funds.

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Call no.: FENG.01.01-IP.01-005/23

1. The Ordering Party:

Name of the Ordering Party	Solaris Bus & Coach sp. z o.o.
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Enterprise ID (REGON)	010498995
Share capital	160.169.580,00
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2. Contract award procedure:

The contract award procedure is conducted in a competitive mode based on the principle of fair competition, equal treatment, openness and transparency in accordance with the procedure described in the "Guidelines on the eligibility of expenditure for 2021-2027" of the Minister of Funds and Regional Policy. The provisions of the Public Procurement Law of 11 September 2019 do not apply to this RFQ, except where specifically reserved in the above-mentioned guidelines.

3. Place, date and term for submitting tenders:

- Deadline for submission of tenders: **15.06.2026 r.**
- Form of submission of tenders:

The tender together with attachments (if required) must be submitted by the website: bazakonkurencyjnosci.gov.pl, scanned or signed with an electronic signature, signed by the person/persons authorized to represent the tenderer in accordance with the information contained in the National Court Register or signed by a person authorized under the power of attorney (power of attorney should be attached to the tender). The tender must be submitted in accordance with the tenderer's Instructions available at:

https://archiwum-bazakonkurencyjnosci.funduszeuropejskie.gov.pl/info/web_instruction

In the event of submitting the scanned tender, at the request of the Ordering Party, the tenderer is obliged to immediately send the original tender submitted under pain of rejection.

The moment of receipt of the offer is considered to be the date of submission of the offer on the website: bazakonkurencyjnosci.gov.pl

The tenderer shall be solely liable for the submission of the tender – non-receipt of the tender by the Ordering Party or its receipt after the deadline, for whatever reason, shall not be the reason for the tenderer's claims against the Ordering Party.

- c. Tenders submitted after the deadline shall not be considered. The date and time of receipt of the tender by the Ordering Party shall be decisive.
- d. The tenderer may, before the deadline for submission of tenders, modify or withdraw its tender in accordance with the Instruction: *Help for abroad users – Offers*.
- e. In the course of the comparison and evaluation of tenders the Ordering Party may request the tenderers to provide explanations concerning the content of submitted tenders. Refusal to answer an inquiry or no response within a certain time may be grounds for rejecting the tender.
- f. In the course of comparing and evaluating offers, the Ordering Party may ask Tenderers to complete their bids. Failure to complete the offer within a specified period may result in the rejection of the offer.
- g. The RFQ has been published at: <https://bazakonkurencyjnosci.funduszeuropejskie.gov.pl/>
- h. All costs resulting from the process of preparation and submission of tenders shall be borne the Tenderer.
- i. The offer should be sent along with a document confirming the authority of the person/persons signing the offer to represent the Tender (excerpt of commercial register or a power of attorney).

4. Description of the subject of the contract

a. Brief description of the subject of the contract:

The subject of the contract is the provision of comprehensive engineering support for the development, validation, integration and release of Advanced Driver Assistance Systems ADAS for a new family of hydrogen-electric intercity buses. The scope includes both direct engineering activities performed by the Contractor and coordinated collaboration with The Ordering Party's engineering specialists engaged in the project. Engineering support under this order will apply to two types of buses: 13m Low Entry Class II and 13m Normal Entry Class III.

b. Purpose of the contract:

Development and verification of a new family of hydrogen-electric intercity buses.

c. Detailed description of the subject of the contract:

The order is related to support of external engineers during road test and release of the following systems:

No.	System	Description of functionality	Applies to the bus
1	Moving Off Information System (MOIS)	Short-range radar monitors road users ahead of the bus. When a potential collision is identified, the driver receives a warning on a display located in the driver's cabin.	13m Low Entry class II
2	Blind Spot Information System (BSIS)	Short-range radars monitor cyclists on the right side of the bus. If a potential collision is detected, the driver is alerted via a display mounted in the driver's cabin.	13m Low Entry class II
3	Intelligent Speed Assistant (ISA)	System combines input from the front-facing camera and GPS-based map data. It identifies both posted speed limits and implicit restrictions, then compares them with the vehicle's current speed. If the speed limit is exceeded, warning alerts are displayed via the HMI.	13m Low Entry class II

		When speed limits are not clearly visible, the system relies on the speed limit information stored in the map (GPS) database.	
4	Collision Mitigation System (CMS) for class I and II buses, Advanced Emergency Braking System (AEBS) for class III buses	System issues both visual and audible warnings when there is a risk of a frontal collision with vehicles, cyclists or pedestrians. If the driver does not respond in time, the system automatically engages the brakes to mitigate collision.	CMS: 13m Low Entry class II AEBS: 13m Normal Floor class III
5	Lane Departure Warning System (LDWS)	System delivers both audible and visual alerts when the front camera detects an unintended lane departure (without activating the indicators).	13m Low Entry class II
6	Automatic High Beam Control (AHBC)	System detects the headlights of oncoming or preceding vehicles and automatically switches off the high beams when required, then restores them once the road ahead is clear.	13m Low Entry class II
7	Passive Lane Change Assist (PLCA)	This function monitors the blind spot and nearby areas to detect other vehicles. It provides information about whether current conditions are suitable for a lane change. If the driver signals a lane change in a potentially unsafe situation, the system issues a warning. The system uses radar sensors positioned on both sides of the vehicle.	13m Low Entry class II (left and right side)
8	Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC standard)	System that automatically maintains set vehicle speed while adjusting it to keep safe distance from a vehicle ahead. Using radars the system detects slower traffic and reduces speed accordingly, then returns to the preset speed once the road is clear.	13m Normal Floor class III
9	Adaptive Cruise Control (ACC Stop & Go)	Extended version Stop & Go in addition to maintaining speed and distance, can automatically bring the vehicle to a complete stop when traffic halts and resume driving when traffic starts moving again.	13m Normal Floor class III
10	Cybersecure Gateway ECU	It is a central communication module in the vehicle's electronic system that manages and secures data exchange between different in-vehicle networks.	13m Low Entry class II

The scope of engineering works for each of the above-mentioned systems should include:

- Plan and organize testing activities
- Get initial parameter configurations ready for testing and adapt for the specific bus
- Conduct the system integration session with the vehicle
- Engineering support for the execution of performance-focused tests, including a Data Logger set up, validation, and initial data collection
- Evaluate and interpret the collected test results
- Prepare a report summarizing the outcomes of testing, which includes:
 - Description of test conditions
 - Installation check of radars, cameras, sensors
 - Test results for integration and performance of each ADAS system listed in pt. 4c
 - Approval of application according to systems documentation

d. Order completion deadline:

The specific commencement date shall be agreed upon with the selected Contractor.

Planned schedule for the execution of the order:

- Estimated duration of engineering support :

I.13m Low Entry class II bus - Q3-Q4 2026. During this session the following functions must be checked: MOIS, BSIS, ISA, CMS, LDWS, AHBC, PLCA (left and right side), Cybersecure Gateway. Estimated duration of engineering support / duration of test sessions: **11 weeks**. Exact dates of service will be defined 1 month before it starts, depending on the vehicle availability.

II.13m Normal Entry class III bus - Q1-Q2 2027. During this session the following functions must be checked: ACC standard, ACC stop&go and AEBS. Estimated duration of engineering support / duration of test sessions: **8 weeks**. Exact dates of service will be defined 1 month before it starts, depending on the vehicle availability.

- Order completion (including submission of the reports): no later than **06.2027** for both buses.

e. Place of order fulfilment:

The provision of engineering support as part of the tests of the above-mentioned systems requires the Contractor's team to be present at the test execution site. The tests are planned to be conducted at the test track situated in Germany.

f. CPV codes for the contract:

73300000-5 – Design and implementation of research and development

73000000-2 – Research and experimental development services and related consulting services

71621000-7 – Technical analysis or consultation services

71334000-8 - Mechanical and electrical engineering services

- g. **Tender validity period** – at least 30 calendar from the day following the deadline of submission of tenders. At the request of the Ordering Party, the tenderers may be once required to extend the tender validity period by additional 60 days under pain of rejecting the tender.
- h. **Partial tenders** - the Ordering Party does not allow partial offers to be submitted under this announcement. This request for quotation No. **2026-7175-276376** covers a portion of the engineering and research services carried out as part of the task related to the development of a functional bus model. Subsequent contracts for the provision of engineering services will be concluded successively. The scope of further orders will include additional engineering services related to the testing and validation of prototype buses.
- i. **Variant tenders** - The Ordering Party does not permit the submission of variant tenders.
- j. **Subcontracting** - The Ordering Party does not permit the possibility of subcontracting works to entities other than the Tender, i.e.:
The Ordering Party does not allow for the possibility of ordering (subcontracting) the whole or part of the contract to entities other than the Contractor in the form of subcontracting understood as transferring the responsibility for the performance of a part of the contract to third parties acting independently of the Contractor. However, it is permissible to perform part of the order with the assistance of third parties with the prior written consent of the Ordering Party.

Equilibrity

Wherever the object of the command is described with the trademarks, patents or origin, source or a specific process it is permitted to apply solutions equal to the described ones under condition that they would have the same or better technical and functional specifications and would not downgrade standards indicated in documentation.

Wherever the object of the command is described by reference to the standards, technical evaluations, specifications or technical reference systems it is permitted to apply solutions equal to the described ones.

5. Conditions for participation in the procedure:

- a. Contractors/Suppliers who are personally or financially affiliated with the Ordering Party shall be subject to exclusion from the contract award procedure.

Capital or personal relations shall mean mutual relations between the Ordering Party or persons authorized to enter into commitments on behalf of the Ordering Party or persons performing on behalf of the Ordering Party activities related to the preparation and implementation of procedures for selection of the contractor, or persons who may influence the result of the proceedings and the Contractor, in particular by:

- participation in a partnership, as a partner in a civil law partnership or partnership; holding at least 10% of the shares, unless a lower threshold is required by law; or wasn't specified by the project managing authority; being a member of the supervisory or management body, acting as proxy;
- being married or in a relationship of direct kinship in a straight line, consanguinity or affinity in the collateral line to the second degree, or being related by adoption, guardianship or custody, either cohabitation with the Contractor, its legal representative or members of the management or supervisory bodies of the Contractors applying for the award of the contract;
- remaining in such a legal or factual relationship with the Contractor that there is reasonable doubt about impartiality or independence in connection with the procurement procedure.

Excluded from participation in the contract award procedure shall be persons performing activities in the contract award procedure or who have been validly sentenced for an offence committed in connection with the contract award procedure, economic or trade-related offences or other offences committed for financial gain.

Compliance with the criterion will be assessed on the basis of a declaration on lack of no capital or personal bonds – **Annex 2** to the Request for Proposal.

- b. Other conditions for participation in the procedure:

The Contractor must have adequate human resources to ensure the proper and timely performance of the subject of the order, in particular:

- a minimum of **5** engineers holding a higher technical education degree (Mechanical engineering; Electrical/electronic engineering; Materials engineering or mechatronics; Systems engineering or automation engineering) and having at least 3 years of professional experience in the automotive / bus automotive industry;
- the specialists assigned to perform the order shall have practical experience in the provision of engineering services related to the testing and validation of driver assistance systems (ADAS), i.e. within the last 3 years, or, where the period of professional experience is shorter, within that period each of the specialists assigned to perform the contract shall have independently completed at least **3** engineering services consisting of the functional validation of a specific system or technical solution for the bus automotive industry.

The fulfilment of the conditions will be assessed by the declaration submitted by the Contractor Party, constituting **annex 3** to the Request for Quotation.

At the request of the Ordering Party, the Contractor shall be obliged to submit:

1. A list of persons designated by the Contractor to perform the order, documenting their education and professional experience in the automotive / bus automotive industry.
2. A list of the professional experience of the Specialists assigned to perform the Order, including information on engineering services completed in accordance with the scope indicated above, together with documents confirming such experience. The documents referred to above shall include references or other documents issued by the entity for which the services were provided by the Contractor's personnel. Where, for justified reasons of an objective nature, the Contractor is unable to obtain such documents, a statement issued by the Contractor shall be accepted.

c. Acceptance of the Supplier Code of Conduct

The Contractor is required to review the CAF Supplier Code of Conduct (Annex No. 5 to the Request for Quotation) and to accept it unconditionally. Acceptance of the Code is a condition for participation in the procedure. Lack of acceptance will result in rejection of the offer. Compliance with this condition will be assessed based on the statement submitted in the Offer Form (Annex No. 1).

6. Conclusion of agreement

- a. The tenderer whose tender is assessed as the most advantageous is obliged to conclude an agreement with the Ordering Party immediately after sending the model agreement by Ordering Party or immediately after obtaining by the Ordering Party the consent of the relevant Managing Authority (if such approval is required). If the Contractor whose tender has been selected evades from concluding the agreement in the above-mentioned period, it shall be deemed a waiver of the Contractor from signing the agreement with the Ordering Party. In this case, the Ordering Party has the right to sign a contract with another Contractor which in the present case obtains the next highest number of points in the evaluation of tenders.
- b. Modifications to the agreement
 1. The Parties allow for the possibility of amending the provisions of the Agreement in the event of the occurrence of at least one of the circumstances listed below, taking into account the conditions for their introduction indicated in the Agreement, i.e:
 - 1) change of the scope of works, in the event of:
 - a) occurrence of the necessity to amend the scope of works of the Contractor in order to ensure the meeting of the Ordering Party's aims as referred to in RFQ,
 - b) occurrence of external reasons beyond the control of the Ordering Party and the Contractor unforeseeable at the stage of placing the order resulting in the necessity to amend the scope of works;- in which case the Parties may amend the scope of works in the scope necessary for ensuring the performance of this Agreement in accordance with its purpose;
 - 2) change of the time limits for the realisation, in the event of:
 - a) occurrence of external reasons beyond the control of the Ordering Party or the Contractor resulting in the impossibility of meeting the original deadlines under the Agreement (in particular: occurrence of force majeure event);
 - b) necessity to change the project schedule by the Ordering Party, in particular in case of Ordering Party's delay in the implementation of the project this Agreement constitutes the part of, which may occur for example due to delays in obtaining the co-financement for this project;
 - c) change of the scope of works in cases enlisted in item 1) above;- in which case the Parties may amend the time limits for the realisation of particular Stages or their duration in the scope necessary to adjust them to the circumstances referred to above;
 - 3) change of the Contractor's remuneration, in the event of the change of the scope of works referred to in item 1) above, if it is shown that such change influence the costs of the Contractor related with the performance of this Agreement.
 2. Amendments to the Agreement referred to in paragraph 1 shall be possible only if the circumstances justifying them are documented. The Contractor shall in particular properly justify and document the influence of any circumstances referred to above on its remuneration and time limits for the completion of particular stages of the Agreement. At the request of the Ordering Party, the Contractor is obliged to provide all additional data, explanations, calculations or information to support his request to amend the Agreement.
 3. The cases referred to in paragraph 1 contain a catalogue of amendments to which the Ordering Party may give its consent, but do not at the same time

constitute an obligation to give such consent.

4. The amendments to the Agreement in other cases than indicated in point 6.1. above may be introduced only under the condition that they are admissible to be introduced under section 3.2.4 The contract agreement, Subsection 3.2 Principle of competition of the Guidelines for eligibility of expenditure for 2021-2027. For the avoidance of doubt, the fact that particular amendments to the Agreement may be allowed on basis of this point 6.4., does not oblige the Ordering Party to agree any amendments to this Agreement.

7. Description of the method for preparing tenders:

- a. The Tenderer should present a tender in Polish or English.
- b. The tender should be submitted on the completed and signed offer form, which is an attachment to this RFQ. The absence of any of the elements mentioned above shall result in rejection of the tender for formal reasons.
- c. Submission of a tender is only possible by website [Baza Konkurencyjności \(funduszeuropejskie.gov.pl\)](https://baza.konkurencyjnosci.funduszeuropejskie.gov.pl)

8. Evaluation criteria and scoring method:

- a. Only valid offers shall be evaluated:
 - Submitted on time
 - Prepared in accordance with the requirements set out in point 7

- b. Criteria for the evaluation of offers:

Selection of the tender shall be made on the basis of scoring. Tenders which not subject to rejection shall be evaluated based on the following criteria and percentage weights/scores:

I. Price - criterion weight 80%, maximum number of points 80.

$$P = (C_{\min} / C_{\text{calculated}}) * P_{\max}$$

P – number of points scored by the tendered

C_{min} – the lowest offered price

C_{calculated} – the price offered by the tenderer

P_{max} – maximum number of points available

The tender price included in the offer form – Attachment no. 1 to hereby RFQ – must take into account all the costs of the realisation of future Agreement and must result from the offer form.

The final price declared in the offer must include the correct VAT rate.

The offer price should be declared in the Polish currency - PLN (two decimal places). The Ordering Party allows the possibility of specifying the offer price in a currency different than PLN, by the Contractor having its registered office or place of residence outside the territory of the Republic of Poland. If an offer is submitted in a currency different than PLN, in order to assess the offer the Ordering Party will convert this currency into PLN at the average current exchange rate published and announced by the National Bank of Poland on the day of initiation of this proceeding (i.e. date of publishing the Request for Quotation).

II. Other criteria of offer evaluation, criterion weight 20%, maximum number of points 20:

- 1) **Experience of the experts assigned to performance of the contract – criterion weight 15%, number of points 15.** The contractor receive maximum of 15 points under the criterion, provided that the specialists assigned by the Contractor have documented experience in the execution of projects in the field of engineering services consisting in the functional validation of a specific system or technical solution for the bus industry:

- Fewer than 4 projects with the scope indicated above – 0 pts
- At least 4 projects with the scope indicated above – 15 pts

- 2) **Pro-ecological practices - criterion weight 2,5 %, number of points 2,5.** The Contractor shall receive **2.5 points** if, on the date of submitting the tender, they hold an ISO 14001 environmental management certificate issued by an accredited certification body. Confirmation at the tender stage – a declaration; upon the Contracting Authority's request – submission of documents within 48 hours.
- 3) **Equal opportunity and non-discrimination policy - criterion weight 2,5 %, number of points 2,5.** The Contractor shall receive 2,5 points if, on the date of submitting the tender, they have an internal equal-opportunity and non-discrimination policy, confirmed by: (i) a current code of ethics including a prohibition of discrimination, or (ii) anti-discrimination procedures (e.g., whistleblowing procedure, D&I training), or (iii) ISO 30415 certification. Confirmation at the tender stage – a declaration; upon the Contracting Authority's request – submission of documents within 48 hours.

The maximum number of points possible to obtain is 15 points.

The evaluation of offers will be based on the Contractor's declarations submitted in the Offer Form. At the request of the Ordering Party, the contractor is obliged to present:

- 1) A list of services performed by persons designated to carry out the contract, including the projects in the field of engineering services consisting in the functional validation of a specific system or technical solution for the bus industry together with the relevant documents confirming their performance. The documents referred to above shall be references or other documents issued by the entity for which the services were provided by the Contractor's personnel; where, for justified reasons of an objective nature, the Contractor is unable to obtain such documents, a statement by the Contractor shall be submitted instead.
- 2) ISO 14001 environmental management standard certificate, issued by an accredited certification body.
- 3) Code of Ethics including a prohibition of discrimination, anti-discrimination procedures or certificate of compliance with ISO 30415 (Diversity and Inclusion Management).

The maximum number of points possible to obtain is 100 points.

The tender which receives the highest number of points calculated in accordance with these principles shall be considered the most advantageous.

The Ordering Party shall notify Tenderers of the selection of the most advantageous tender electronically to the e-mail address indicated in the tender. The Ordering Party shall publish information on the outcome of the contract award procedure on the website: www.bazakonkurencyjnosci.funduszeuropejskie.gov.pl

8. Horizontal principles of equal opportunities and non-discrimination and environmental principles

1. As part of the execution of the order, the Ordering Party requires compliance with the principles of equal opportunities and non-discrimination, in accordance with the Guidelines of the Minister of Funds and Regional Policy of December 29, 2022 in the scope of the implementation of the principle of equal opportunities and non-discrimination, including accessibility for people with disabilities and the accessibility standards for cohesion policy 2021-2027 constituting an annex to these guidelines. The procedure conducted in connection with this request for quotation takes into account mandatory criteria for the evaluation of subcontractors/suppliers that promote involvement in activities for gender equality, support for people with disabilities and the elimination of all forms of discrimination.
2. The order implemented as part of the project will be consistent with the principles of sustainable development and green procurement, thanks to the use of evaluation criteria promoting pro-ecological practices of the Bidders. Additional points will be awarded to entities that implement solutions that minimize the negative impact of their activities on the environment - including reducing harmful greenhouse gas emissions, including CO2 emissions, using recycled materials, and using energy-saving technologies.

9. Other information:

- a. Until the deadline for submission of tenders, the Ordering Party reserves the right to modify or supplement the content of this RFQ or its appendices. If the changes have an impact on the content of tenders submitted in the procedure, the Ordering Party shall extend the deadline for submission of tenders. The changes shall be communicated immediately to all tenderers that received the RFQ and shall be binding on them.
- b. The Ordering Party reserves the right to correct the text of received tenders with respect to obvious clerical or calculation errors, and other errors resulting in non-compliance with the tender with the RFQ that do not cause significant changes in the content of the tender, which shall be immediately communicated to the tenderer.
- c. Inquiries concerning the RFQ should be addressed to the Ordering Party by publication within the subject announcement on bazakonkurencyjnosci.gov.pl. The content of inquiries about the RFQ together with explanations of the Ordering Party will be published on bazakonkurencyjnosci.gov.pl. The Ordering Party reserves the right to leave inquiries unanswered if they are received by the Ordering Party on the penultimate day before the deadline for submission of tenders.
- d. The Ordering Party reserves the right to terminate the procedure without giving reasons at any stage, until the tender is selected.
- e. In the event of termination of the procedure without selecting any tender, Tenderers shall have no claim against the Ordering Party.
- f. This RFQ does not constitute an offer within the meaning of the Civil Code.

Attachment:

1. Offer form;
2. Declaration on lack of personal or capital bonds;
3. Declaration of compliance with the conditions;
4. Information clause on personal data processing.
5. Supplier Code of Conduct