Name of Contracting Authority: **Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina**
Head Office of the Contracting Authority: **Danijela Ozme No. 7 , 71 000 Sarajevo**

PUBLIC CALL

for Submission of Indicative Offers

I. Subject of the Call

This public call for the submission of indicative offers has been prepared in accordance with Article 14.a of the Law on Public Procurement ("Official Gazette of BiH", nos. 39/14, 59/22, and 50/24).

The subject of this call is the **collection of indicative offers for the procurement of specific electoral technologies** that will be used in elections in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

At its 44th session, held on 18 September 2025, the Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina adopted the Procurement Plan for specific electoral technologies for the electoral process in Bosnia and Herzegovina, which encompasses the procurement of equipment, software and licenses, hardware and software support services, and consumables necessary for the functioning of the equipment. The Procurement Plan was published on 18 September 2025 on the Public Procurement Portal of the Public Procurement Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina and on the official website of the Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina. In order to prepare the tender documentation in accordance with what the market can provide — and above all, with regard to the functional requirements of the equipment being procured — the Central Election Commission of Bosnia and Herzegovina invites interested bidders to submit their indicative offers.

The procurement includes:

1. **Voter Biometric Identification System, including:**
   - Devices for biometric voter identification at 6,000 polling stations;
   - Consumables required for device operation;
   - Hardware and software support services;
   - Software licenses;
   - Identity management system;
   - Software supporting the devices.

2. Ballot Scanning System, including:

- Devices for scanning ballots at 6,000 polling stations;
- Consumables required for device operation (IT and administrative material);
- Ballot boxes with integrated devices;
- External batteries for scanners (6,000 units);
- Hardware and software support services;
- Software licenses;
- Device support software.

3. Ballot Paper and Forms

The bidder is obligated to procure the paper, as well as to produce and print the ballot papers adapted for scanners. The ballot papers will include an appropriate security feature.

4. Accompanying Services, including:

- The bidder shall bear the costs of transporting the devices to the polling stations and returning them from the polling stations to the contracting authority's warehouse, as well as customs duties and costs of freight forwarding services, as well as any other costs necessary for the successful implementation of this procurement;
- The bidder shall bear the costs of renting premises for housing the devices, where installation and preparation for transport to the polling stations will take place, as well as any other costs necessary for the successful implementation of this procurement;
- The bidder is obliged to provide service support during the preparation phase of the devices for the elections, on election day, and after the elections, as well as any other support necessary for the successful implementation of this procurement;
- The bidder is obliged to provide training for trainers and the election administration on the use and management of devices for biometric identification and ballot scanning, as well as any other activities necessary for the successful implementation of this procurement.

II. Functional Requirements for Equipment and Services

- Devices must enable **secure and reliable voter identification** using biometric data;
- Ballot scanners must ensure **fast, accurate and precise electronic counting of ballots**;
- Software and hardware must be compatible with the **CEC BiH election management systems;**
- The accompanying documentation must include instructions for **installation, operation, maintenance, and troubleshooting;**
- Bidders must ensure staff training and support throughout the entire election process.

III. Project Task

This public call does not contain a separate annex titled "**Project Task**", which will form part of the tender documentation and will include information relating to:

- Description of the entire process which the solution must support;
- Detailed description of the functionalities of the biometric voter identification system and ballot scanning system;
- Description of the required accompanying processes, including staff training, support, and transport;
- Information on the method of integration and management of systems within the election process.

Although interested bidders, when preparing their indicative offers, will not have detailed functional and technical requirements for the subject procurement, we believe that they will be able to prepare indicative offers expressing their readiness and ability to meet the procurement requirements, as well **as indicate their approximate offered price.** We inform interested bidders that, when preparing their indicative offers, they may send any necessary questions for additional information by email to the address indicated in Section V of this call.

IV. Purpose and Justification of the Call

With this initiative, the CEC BiH seeks to collect relevant information on market capacities and supplier offers before initiating the procurement procedure and preparing the tender documentation.

Indicative offers will enable:

- Determining the availability of required equipment and software;
- Assessing market prices and conditions;
- Aligning functional requirements of equipment with market standards.

V. Method of Submission of Indicative offers

- Indicative offers shall be submitted **electronically or by post** to the address of the CEC BiH, Danijela Ozme No. 7, 71000 Sarajevo, email – kontakt@izbori.ba
- The offer must contain technical specifications of equipment, software, and services, references, and conditions of support provision. For clarifications, contact tel. +387 33 251-300.
- Bidders may submit additional clarifications or comments until the deadline for submission of offers.
- Deadline for submission: **15. October 2025**

VI. Note

- This call does not oblige the contracting authority to conclude a contract;
- Indicative offers serve exclusively for the collection of market information;
- All information contained in the offers will be treated as **confidential.**