

Call for Prequalification: Construction Works for Irrigation Infrastructure

Country: North Macedonia

Project: Irrigation Programme North Macedonia (IPNM)

Financing: KfW Development Bank

Executing Agency: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Economy (MAFWE)

The Irrigation Programme North Macedonia (IPNM), financed by the KfW Development Bank, aims to improve agricultural irrigation infrastructure in the southern region of North Macedonia. The first investment under this programme concerns the **rehabilitation of the Straishte Irrigation Scheme (STR)**, one of four schemes planned/designed. The combined total irrigated area of the three schemes will amount to approximately **8,100 hectares**, with the STR scheme covering around **1,500 hectares**.

Scope of Works – Straishte Irrigation Scheme:

- Construction of approximately **70 km** of pressurized pipe network, with diameters ranging from **90 mm to 800 mm**;
- Installation of approximately **500** hydrants for drip and sprinkler irrigation systems;
- Construction of a new pumping station equipped with four vertical pumps, with a total capacity of **1.0 m³/s** and a pump head of approx. **120m**.

Construction is scheduled to commence in **spring 2026**, with an estimated duration of **11 months** and 12 months of Defect Notification Period.

Prequalification Process

Qualified construction companies are invited to participate in the prequalification process. The participation of **joint ventures/consortia between national and international firms** is encouraged to meet the required technical and financial criteria.

Compliance with international Environmental, Social, Health, and Safety (ESHS) standards is mandatory and will form part of the evaluation.

Submission Details

The complete prequalification documents are available upon request via email at irrigationprogrammacedonia@gmail.com

The deadline for submission is **10 November 2025, 15:00 PM**.