

#### SERVICE PRIOR INFORMATION NOTICE

# Technical Assistance to the Implementation of Cross-border Electricity Balancing Western Balkan 6 Region<sup>1</sup>

#### 1. Procedure

The contract will be awarded following an open procedure (§§ 25(2), 27 of the Austrian Public Procurement Law).

## 2. Programme title

This project is implemented within the framework of the Technical Assistance to Connectivity in the Western Balkans, Component 2: Regional Energy Market.

## 3. Financing

This project is financed under the IPA Programme. Participation of legal persons (participating either individually or in a grouping – consortium - of tenderers) is limited to entities effectively established in a Member State of the European Union or in an eligible country or territory as defined in the Annex I. to the Regulation (EU) No 231<sup>2</sup>.

## 4. Contracting Authority

**Energy Community Secretariat** 

Am Hof 4/5

A-1010

Vienna

#### 5. Nature of contract

Fee-based

## 6. Contract description

The technical assistance to the Implementation of Cross-border Electricity Balancing is part of the Project: TA to Connectivity in the Western Balkans, Component 2: Regional Energy Market implemented by the Energy Community Secretariat in line with the developed Work Programme<sup>3</sup>. More specifically, this technical assistance relates to the implementation of Project 2 of the Work Programme. The technical assistance aims to provide the Western Balkan 6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Western Balkan 6 region includes: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo\*, FYR of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance, the countries are as specified in the Annex I. to the Regulation (EU) No 231/2014, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Kosovo\*, Montenegro, Serbia, Turkey, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.energy-community.org/dam/jcr:58e4a2f9-a67d-4bea-81f4-92b4bd949b59/ECS\_WP\_WB6\_2016.pdf



(WB6) parties with consultancy services needed to efficiently design and implement cross-border balancing cooperation in line with targets and deadlines to which they committed under the Western Balkan 6 Memorandum of Understanding (WB6 MoU) <sup>4</sup>, signed by WB6 stakeholders and 14 stakeholders of neighbouring EU MSs<sup>5</sup>.

The technical assistance to the Implementation of a Cross-border Electricity Balancing will consist of providing expert support needed to develop consistent and feasible roadmap for cross-border balancing cooperation in the WB6 region and its integration into pan-European market. The service providers will have to demonstrate profound knowledge of relevant EU and the Energy Community legislation, current practice in cross-border balancing cooperation in EU and the Energy Community as well as experience in developing and implementing cross-border balancing.

#### 7. Indicative budget

EUR 180 000

### 8. Intended timing of publication of the tender documents

End August/early September 2017

#### 9. Additional information

More details regarding the Western Balkan 6 initiative can be found here: <a href="https://www.energy-community.org/regionalinitiatives/WB6.html">https://www.energy-community.org/regionalinitiatives/WB6.html</a>

The budget as well as the description of the planned contract are only indicative and the Contracting Authority reserves the right to change or cancel this notice.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://www.energy-community.org/dam/jcr:231f274d-4ecf-4017-a9f0-71aea1a7e41f/MoU\_WB6.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> https://www.energy-community.org/regionalinitiatives/WB6/MoU.html