

The Ajara Rural Water Supply and Wastewater Treatment Programme, co-funded by Germany (KfW) and EU is being implemented. The objective of the programme is to establish modern water supply and wastewater systems, replacing deteriorated, unreliable and imperfect infrastructure in the semi-urban and mainly sub-standard and improvised water supply and wastewater (in most cases nonexistent) systems in the rural areas.

The aim of the programme is to introduce stable water supply and modern waste water systems with appropriate operation and maintenance.

As first tender process of the programme, an international tender for the supply of need Operation and Maintenance (O&M) equipment, vehicles and repair and training materials was already conducted. The supplied goods, once delivered will be provided to the new municipal utilities, to be founded in each of the regional rural municipalities. The goods will form the basis for adequate future operation and maintenance of the systems created under the programme. The staff of the utilities will be adequately introduced and trained in the appropriate usage of the equipment and materials.

As a result of the international tender, , the contracts with the winner companies have been signed for the following lots:

I LOT:

- 5 special suction trucks with a 3 m³ tank;
- 2 suction trucks /hydraulic (trucks with jetting) with a 5 m³ tank;

II LOT:

- 5 excavator-loading truck;
- 7 pickup type vehicles with 4x4 parameters;
- 5 units of 4 ton trucks with a crane;
- 1 unit cars (for passengers);

III LOT:

- Various equipment and tools for water supply and wastewater operation and maintenance works;
- Laboratory equipment;
- Various materials for repair works (pipes: various repair materials for DN 20 – 63 mm water pipes).

On December 2020, contracts were signed for the following lots with the below presented companies:

- **LOT 1:** GT Group LLC with contract value of EUR 595,000.00s;
- **LOT 2:** GT Group LLC with contract value of EUR 968,700.00s;
- **LOT 3:** E.+E. Boss GmbH with contract value of EUR 414,347.00 ;