

# DEVB invites market to submit expressions of interest for development of first Advanced Construction Industry Building

â€‹The Development Bureau (DEVB) today (May 15) invites the market to submit expressions of interest (EOI) within five weeks for the development of the Advanced Construction Industry Building (ACIB) at a site of about three hectares in Tsing Yi.

As announced in the 2023-24 Budget, the Government had earmarked \$30 million for conducting a study on the construction of the first advanced construction industry building at a site of about three hectares in Tsing Yi, carrying out planning and preliminary design work as well as advising on its mode of operation.

A DEVB spokesperson said that the study for the development, conducted by a consultant commissioned by the Government, is substantially completed. The ACIB will be the first dedicated facility for the construction industry in Hong Kong, featuring a multi-storey design to house steel rebar prefabrication yards, processing sites for MiMEP, and other advanced manufacturing facilities. It aims to promote the adoption of advanced construction technologies and uplift productivity and efficiency of the construction industry. It also enables better use of land and contributes to the sustainable development of the construction industry through productivity gains achieved from synergy. This type of multi-storey building is also adopted in other advanced cities.

The spokesperson said that following the initial market sounding exercise conducted by the consultant, the Government is of the view that the project can be developed using the Build-Operate-Transfer (BOT) approach with a 30-year contract period to leverage market financing. Taking into account the required floor height, floor loading capacity and mode of operation of the building, and preliminary feedback from the industry, the Government expects the project to provide a two to four-storey building with a total floor area of around 30 000 to 60 000 square metres, and around 5 000 to 10 000 sq m of open space for loading/unloading and storage. The successful bidder will be responsible for constructing the building and operating the advanced manufacturing facilities related to the construction industry, including not less than 20 000 sq m of the floor area for steel rebar prefabrication yards and not less than 5 000 sq m of the floor area for MiMEP processing sites. Under the current plan, the developer is required to lease not less than 5 000 sq m of the floor area for industry use.

Baseline parameters and specific requirements for the development are set out in the brochure of the invitation for EOI. The Government welcomes the market to submit EOIs, and offer innovative and practicable suggestions

for setting up additional advanced facilities related to the construction industry in the ACIB. The views and suggestions collected will facilitate the Government in formulating the details of the open tender. The tendering process, using a two-envelope approach that assesses both non-price and price proposals, is targeted to launch in the second half of 2025, allowing the successful bidder to commence the works by mid-next year.

The brochure of the invitation for EOI has been uploaded onto the website of the DEVB ([www.devb.gov.hk/en/issues\\_in\\_focus/index.html](http://www.devb.gov.hk/en/issues_in_focus/index.html)). Interested parties must deposit their EOI in the designated drop-in box of the DEVB situated at 2/F Entrance, East Wing, Central Government Offices, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong, by noon on June 19 (Thursday).

The DEVB will hold a briefing session on the EOI invitation on May 28 (Wednesday). For details of the briefing, please refer to the brochure of the invitation for EOI.