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EDI — Message — Appel d'offres (CONITT)

EDI — Nachricht — Angebotsaufforderung
(CONITT)

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Foreword

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1 Scope

This specification provides the definition of the message Invitation to Tender (CONITT) to be used in Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) between partners involved in Administration, Commerce and Transport.

At the pre-construction stage of a construction project, the Client will wish to appoint a contractor to execute the works. The first step in this appointment process is to issue an invitation to tender (ITT) to contractors; this will require a commercial offer to be made by the contractor to the client.

2 Normative references

This standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

UNTDID UN Trade Data Interchange Directory, Issue UN/ECE/TRADE/WP.4/R.1016, Part 4, UN/ECE UNSM — General Introduction¹⁾

3 Definitions

For the purposes of this standard the following definitions apply.

UNTDID (see normative reference).

4 Requirements

4.1 Data segment clarification

This section should be read in conjunction with the Branching Diagram and the Segment Table which indicate mandatory, conditional and repeating requirements.

4.1.1 Header Section

Information to be provided in the Header Section:

UNH, Message header

A service segment which starts and uniquely identifies a message. The message type identifier for the UN Invitation to Tender message is "CONITT".

NOTE The CONITT message conforming to this document must contain the following data in UNH composite S009:

Data element	0065 CONITT
	0052 D
	0054 93A
	0051 UN

BGM, Beginning of message

A segment which identifies the document name and the message function code.

RFF, Reference

This segment is used to identify the unique project reference number.

DTM, Date/time/period

The document date will be recorded using this DTM segment.

AUT, Authentication result

A segment used to authenticate the message by exchanging a password or some other form of identification agreed between the trading partners.

AGR, Agreement identification

This segment will be used to identify the "type of contract and form of tender" that apply to this contract.

Segment Group 1: IND-RCS-SG2

A group of segments to record both the structure and contents of the indexing used for the BoQ document.

IND, Index details

A segment to qualify whether the index applies to the whole project, part of a project (a group of items), or whether the index provides an alternative view (analysis) of the work items. The segment also indicates in the index qualifier whether it contains index structure information or describes the index contents.

RCS, Requirements and conditions

A segment used to indicate the action request (add, change etc.) to be applied to the index data.

Segment Group 2: GIS-SG3

A group of segments to specify the position and detailed component parts of the index information.

GIS, General indicator

This indicator segment specifies one of six positions within the index structure to which the detailed information applies.

¹⁾ Information about sources of supply can be obtained from WE/EB Secretariat — CEC — DG III, rue de la Loi 200, 1049 Brussels.