

The operator of the future Albanian electricity exchange - ALPEX has re-launched the tender for the procurement of a digital trading platform for the day-ahead and intraday markets for the third time, following the failure of the first two procedures.

In mid-August, ALPEX said that the second tender attempt failed because none of the submitted bids were in accordance with the terms of the tender, which were the same as in the first attempt. Procurement costs for both tenders were estimated at 1.8 million euros.

The deadline for the submission of bids at the third tender is 16 September.

The process of establishing ALPEX began in March 2020, when the Albanian government announced a tender for companies interested in becoming shareholders. After the temporary suspension of the tender in April due to the coronavirus pandemic, the shareholders of the future energy exchange - the transmission system operators of Albania and Kosovo - were elected at the end of June.

ALPEX was established in October last year by Albanian electricity transmission system operator OST and its Kosovo's peer KOSTT. Following the agreement on the establishment of the electricity exchange, the Energy Community Secretariat announced that ALPEX will have to procure day-ahead market management (DAM) services and market coupling after its establishment and consolidation.