
Nakheel invites plans for 1 kilometre-high skyscraper in Dubai

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MEED reported that selected companies have been invited to submit proposals by November 20th 2008 for a tower at least 1 kilometer high at the AED140 billion (USD 38 billion) Nakheel Harbor & Tower development in Dubai.

The companies are the local/Australian Al-Habtoor Leighton, the local/UK Al-Naboodah Laing O'Rourke, South Africa's Murray & Roberts Construction (Middle East), South Korea's Samsung Corporation, Japan's Taisei Corporation and France's Vinci Construction Grand Projets.

The tower will be developed over a period of 10 years. The client plans to shortlist two groups by the end of the year and select one group to provide pre-construction services by early 2009. The pre construction period is expected to last for at least one year.

Enabling works on the development are being executed by France's Soletanche Bachy. The package is scheduled for completion in October 2010 and work on the tower's superstructure is expected to follow shortly after.

The tower was originally called the Pinnacle and was to be located on the Palm Jumeirah, before becoming part of the Dubai Waterfront scheme, when it was renamed Al-Burj. The development will be built alongside the proposed Arabian Canal and next to Ibn Battuta Mall and Jumeirah islands. It will cover an area of 2.7 kilometers and will be home to more than 55,000 people.

The consultancy team for the tower includes UK-based WSP, US-based Leslie E Robertson Associates and Australia's Woods Bagot.

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