

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO SUBMIT A BID TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SOUTHERN AFRICA LIMITED

BID NUMBER:	RFP025/2022		
NON-COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION DETAILS:	N/A		
CLOSING DATE:	10 March 2022		
CLOSING TIME:	23H55		
PERIOD FOR WHICH BIDS ARE REQUIRED TO REMAIN OPEN FOR ACCEPTANCE:	120 days		
DESCRIPTION OF BID:	Proposal on the enablement of the energy sector developments through Optimised Grid establishment strategies, to facilitate the implementation of the IRP. Research Study for the Independent Power Producers Office (IPPO) KFW Work Package KFWWP03		
BID DOCUMENTS DELIVERY ADDRESS:	 ELECTRONIC SUBMISSIONS INSTRUCTIONS: Bidders are required to issue Tender Submission Link requests and a enquiries to <u>VusiSCM@dbsa.org</u> ONLY; No – Tender Submission Link requests will be accepted after 16h00 on the 4th of March 2022. Any requests after the stipulated date and ti be disregarded. Bidders are asked to nominate one dedicated contact person (name, email address and phone number). The nomination shall be sent to the Tender Officer via email <u>VusiSCM@dbsa.org</u> by latest on 4th March 2022 at 23:55 on prior to expiry of the deadline for submission. The data shall be used to set up an e-procurement system for this tender submission. The operator of this e-procurement system (exficon GmbH, Frankfurt a.M., Germany) will revert to the persons authorised for electronic submission with an invitation email containing the access link to the system. It is recommended to log in after receipt to make sure that there are no technical difficulties. Detailed information and a step-by-step description of the upload procedure can be downloaded here: https://exficon.de/tad/e-procurement/ 		

	 Timely submission means that the file must be successfully uploaded by the deadline of 10 March 2022 before 23:55. In case of problems with the e-submission please contact: e-procurement@exficon.de Any requests after the stipulated date and time may be disreg 	
	NB: Electronic submission is encouraged for all bidder's interest in this tender bid	
	Tender Closing date 10 March 2022 before 23:55. All bids must be in on the 10 th of March 2022.	
NAME OF BIDDER:		
CONTACT PERSON:		
EMAIL ADDRESS:		
TELEPHONE NUMBER:		
FAX NUMBER:		
BIDDER'S STAMP OR SIGNATURE		



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PART A

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SOUTHERN AFRICA LIMITED ("DBSA")

BID NUMBER:

RFP025/2022

DESCRIPTION:

Proposal on the enablement of the energy sector developments through Optimised Grid establishment strategies, to facilitate the implementation of the IRP. Research Study for the Independent Power Producers Office (IPPO) KFW Work Package KFWWP03

NON-COMPULSORY BRIEFING: N/A

LINK REQUESTS: Bidders are asked to nominate one dedicated contact person (name, email address and phone number). The nomination shall be sent to the Tender Officer via email <u>VusiSCM@dbsa.org</u> by latest on 4th March 2022 at 23:55 prior to expiry of the deadline for submission. The data shall be used to set up an e-procurement system for this tender submission. The operator of this e-procurement system (exficon GmbH, Frankfurt a.M., Germany) will revert to the persons authorised for electronic submission with an invitation email containing the access link to the system. It is recommended to log in after receipt to make sure that there are no technical difficulties.

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TENDER CLOSING DATE: TENDER CLOSING TIME: **10 March 2022** 23H55

The successful Bidder will be required to conclude a service level agreement with the DBSA

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS – (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED)

THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT, WHICH ARE SET OUT IN PART C OF THIS DOCUMENT.

THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS MUST BE FURNISHED (FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN YOUR BID BEING DISQUALIFIED).

BIDDERS THAT ARE UNINCORPORATED CONSORTIA CONSISTING OF MORE THAN ONE LEGAL ENTITY MUST SELECT A LEAD ENTITY AND FURNISH THE DETAILS OF THE LEAD ENTITY, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

NAME OF BIDDER AND EACH ENTITY IN CONSORTIUM:			
POSTAL ADDRESS:			
STREET ADDRESS:			
CONTACT PERSON (FULL NAME):			
EMAIL ADDRESS:			
TELEPHONE NUMBER:			
FAX NUMBER:			
BIDDER REGISTRATION NUMBER OR REGISTRATION NUMBER OF EACH ENTITY IN CONSORTIUM			
BIDDER VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER OR VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER OF EACH ENTITY IN CONSORTIUM			
BBBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE /BBBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT SUBMITTED? [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	YES	NO	
IF YES, WHO ISSUED THE CERTIFICATE?			
REGISTERED WITH THE NATIONAL TREASURY CSD	YES	NO	
[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]			
CSD REGISTRATION NUMBER			
TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS PIN (TCS) NUMBER ISSUED BY SARS			

11.1	ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	Yes No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]
11.2	ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	□Yes □No [IF YES ANSWER PART B:3 BELOW]
11.3	SIGNATURE OF BIDDER	
11.4	DATE	
11.5	FULL NAME OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE	
11.6	CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED (Attach proof of authority to sign this bid; e.g. resolution of directors, etc.)	

PART B TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1.	BID SUBMISSION:			
1.1.	BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE LINK PROVIDED. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.			
1.2.	ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED-(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR ONLINE			
1.3.	BIDDERS MUST REGISTER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) TO UPLOAD MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS; AND BANKING INFORMATION FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES). B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.			
1.4.	WHERE A BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED ON THE CSD, MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID DOCUMENTATION. B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.			
1.5.	THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER LEGISLATION OR SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.			
2.	TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS			
2.1	BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.			
2.2	BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VIEW THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.			
2.3	APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) OR PIN MAY ALSO BE MADE VIA E-FILING. IN ORDER TO USE THIS PROVISION, TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO REGISTER WITH SARS AS E-FILERS THROUGH THE WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.			
2.4	BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS TOGETHER WITH THE BID.			
2.5	IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE PROOF OF TCS / PIN / CSD NUMBER.			
2.6	WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.			
3.	QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS			
3.1.	IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?			
3.2.	DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?			
3.3.	DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?			
3.4.	DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?			
COM	IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN, IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS / TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 ABOVE.			

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

PART C

CHECKLIST OF COMPULSORY RETURNABLE SCHEDULES AND DOCUMENTS

Please adhere to the following instructions

- Tick in the relevant block below
- Ensure that the following documents are completed and signed where applicable:
- Use the prescribed sequence in attaching the annexes that complete the Bid Document

NB: Should all of these documents not be included, the Bidder may be disqualified on the basis of non-compliance

YES	NO	
		One original Bid document in separate folders; Folder 1 - for Pre-Qualifying Criteria and Functional Evaluation Folder 2 - Price / Financial Proposal – Electronic submission
		Part A: Invitation to Bid
		Part B: Terms and Conditions of Bidding
		Part C: Checklist of Compulsory Returnable Schedules and Documents
		Part D: Conditions of Tendering and Undertakings by Bidders
		Part E: Specifications/Terms of Reference and Project Brief
		Annexure A: Price Proposal Requirement
		Annexure B: SBD4 Declaration of Interest
		Annexure C: SBD6.1 and B-BBEE status level certificate
		Annexure D: SBD8: Declaration of Bidder's Past Supply Chain Practices
		Annexure E: SBD9: Certificate of Independent Bid Determination
		Annexure F: Certified copies of your CIPC company registration documents listing all members with percentages, in case of a lose corporation
		Annexure G: Certified copies of latest share certificates, in case of a company.
		Annexure H: (if applicable): A breakdown of how fees and work will be spread between members of the bidding consortium.

	Annexure I Supporting documents to responses to Pre-Qualifying Criteria and Functional Evaluation Criteria.
	Annexure J: General Condition of Contract
	Annexure K: CSD Tax Compliance Status and Registration Requirements Report
	Annexure L: KfW Declaration of Undertaking

PART D

CONDITIONS OF TENDERING AND UNDERTAKINGS BY BIDDER

1. **DEFINITIONS**

In this Request for Proposals, unless a contrary intention is apparent:

- B-BBEE means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003;
- 1.2 **B-BBEE Act** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003;
- 1.3 B-BBEE status level of contributor means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance used to claim points in terms of regulation 6 and 7 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017.
- 1.4 **Business Day** means a day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday.
- 1.5 **Bid** means a written offer in the prescribed or stipulated form lodged by a Bidder in response to an invitation in this Request for Proposal, containing an offer to provide goods, works or services in accordance with the Specification as provided in this RFP.
- 1.6 **Bidder** means a person or legal entity, or an unincorporated group of persons or legal entities that submit a Bid.
- 1.7 **Companies Act** means the Companies Act, 2008.
- 1.8 **Compulsory Documents** means the list of compulsory schedules and documents set out in Part B.
- 1.9 Closing Time means the time, specified as such under the clause 4 (Bid Timetable) in Part C, by which Tenders must be received.
- 1.10 **DBSA** means the Development Bank of Southern Africa Limited.
- 1.11 **DFI** means Development Finance Institution.
- 1.12 **Evaluation Criteria** means the criteria set out under the clause 27 (Evaluation Process) of this Part C, which includes the Qualifying Criteria, Functional Criteria and Price and Preferential Points Assessment.
- 1.13 **Functional Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 27 of this Part C.
- 1.14 **Intellectual Property Rights** includes copyright and neighbouring rights, and all proprietary rights in relation to inventions (including patents) registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, confidential information (including trade secrets and know how) and circuit layouts, and all other proprietary rights resulting from intellectual activity in the industrial, scientific, literary or artistic fields.
- 1.15 **PFMA** means the Public Finance Management Act, 1999.
- 1.16 **PPPFA** means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000.
- 1.17 **PPPFA Regulations** means the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 published in terms of the PPPFA.
- 1.18 **Pre-Qualifying Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 27.3 of this Part C.
- 1.19 **Price and Preferential Points Assessment** means the process described in clause 27.6 of this Part C, as prescribed by the PPPFA.

- 1.20 **Proposed Contract** means the agreement including any other terms and conditions contained in or referred to in this RFP that may be executed between the DBSA and the successful Bidder.
- 1.21 **Request for Proposal** or **RFP** means this document (comprising each of the parts identified under Part A, Part B, Part C and Part D) including all annexures and any other documents so designated by the DBSA.
- 1.22 **SARS** means the South African Revenue Service.
- 1.23 Services means the services required by the DBSA, as specified in this RFP Part D.
- 1.24 **SLA** means service level agreement.
- 1.25 **SOE** means State Owned Enterprise, as defined by the Companies' Act.
- 1.26 **Specification** means the conditions of tender set and any specification or description of the DBSA's requirements contained in this RFP.
- 1.27 State means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.28 **Statement of Compliance** means the statement forming part of a Tender indicating the Bidders compliance with the Specification.
- 1.29 Tendering Process means the process commenced by the issuing of this Request for Proposals and concluding upon formal announcement by the DBSA of the selection of a successful Bidder(s) or upon the earlier termination of the process.
- 1.30 Website means a website administered by DBSA under its name with web address www.dbsa.org

2. INTERPRETATIONS

In this RFP, unless expressly provided otherwise a reference to:

- 2.1 "includes" or "including" means includes or including without limitation; and
- 2.2 "R" or "Rand" is a reference to the lawful currency of the Republic of South Africa.

3. TENDER TECHNICAL AND GENERAL QUERIES

Queries pertaining to this tender must be directed to:-DBSA Supply Chain Management Unit Email: <u>VusiSCM@dbsa.org</u> No questions will be answered telephonically.

4. BID TIMETABLE

This timetable is provided as an indication of the timing of the tender process. It is indicative only and subject to change by the DBSA. Bidders are to provide proposals that will allow achievement of the intended commencement date.

Activity	Date
Advertisement of tender	18 / 02 / 2022

RFP document available	18 / 02 / 2022
Closing date for tender enquiries	04 / 03 / 2022
Link requests	04 / 03 / 2022 by 23h55
Closing date and time	10 / 03 / 2022 at 23h55
Intended completion of evaluation of tenders	ТВА
Intended formal notification of successful	ТВА
Bidder(s)	
Signing of Service Level Agreement	ТВА
Effective date	ТВА

5. SUBMISSION OF TENDERS

Instructions:

- Bidders are required to issue all other enquiries to <u>VusiSCM@dbsa.org</u> ONLY;
- Bidders are asked to nominate one dedicated contact person (name , email address and phone number). The nomination shall be sent to the Tender Officer via email <u>VusiSCM@dbsa.org</u> by latest on 4th March 2022 at 23:55 prior to expiry of the deadline for submission. The data shall be used to set up an e-procurement system for this tender submission. The operator of this e-procurement system (exficon GmbH, Frankfurt a.M., Germany) will revert to the persons authorised for electronic submission with an invitation email containing the access link to the system. It is recommended to log in after receipt to make sure that there are no technical difficulties. Any requests after the stipulated date and time may be disregarded.

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TENDER CLOSING DATE: 10 March 2022 TENDER CLOSING TIME: 23:55

NB: No Physical submission will be accepted for this bid. Bidders must ensure that they follow the instructions for the electronic submission.

6. RULES GOVERNING THIS RFP AND THE TENDERING PROCESS

- 6.1 Participation in the tender process is subject to compliance with the rules contained in this RFP Part C.
- 6.2 All persons (whether or not a participant in this tender process) having obtained or received this RFP may only use it, and the information contained herein, in compliance with the rules contained in this RFP.
- 6.3 All Bidders are deemed to accept the rules contained in this RFP Part C.
- 6.4 The rules contained in this RFP Part C apply to:
 - 6.4.1 The RFP and any other information given, received or made available in connection with this RFP, and any revisions or annexure;

- 6.4.2 the Tendering Process; and
- 6.4.3 any communications (including any briefings, presentations, meetings and negotiations) relating to the RFP or the Tendering Process.

7. STATUS OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

7.1 This RFP is an invitation for person(s) to submit a proposal(s) for the provision of the services as set out in the Specification contained in this RFP. Accordingly, this RFP must not be construed, interpreted, or relied upon, whether expressly or implicitly, as an offer capable of acceptance by any person(s), or as creating any form of contractual, promissory or other rights. No binding contract or other understanding for the supply of services will exist between the DBSA and any Bidder unless and until the DBSA has executed a formal written contract with the successful Bidder.

8. ACCURACY OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

- 8.1 Whilst all due care has been taken in connection with the preparation of this RFP, the DBSA makes no representations or warranties that the content in this RFP or any information communicated to or provided to Bidders during the Tendering Process is, or will be, accurate, current or complete. The DBSA, and its officers, employees and advisors will not be liable with respect to any information communicated which is not accurate, current or complete.
- 8.2 If a Bidder finds or reasonably believes it has found any discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in this RFP or any other information provided by the DBSA (other than minor clerical matters), the Bidder must promptly notify the DBSA in writing of such discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in order to afford the DBSA an opportunity to consider what corrective action is necessary (if any).
- 8.3 Any actual discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in this RFP or any other information provided by the DBSA will, if possible, be corrected and provided to all Bidders without attribution to the Bidder who provided the written notice.

9. ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE RFP

- 9.1 The DBSA reserves the right to change any information in, or to issue any addendum to this RFP before the Closing Time. The DBSA and its officers, employees and advisors will not be liable in connection with either the exercise of, or failure to exercise this right.
- 9.2 If the DBSA exercises its right to change information in terms of clause 9.1, it may seek amended Tenders from all Bidders.

10. REPRESENTATIONS

No representations made by or on behalf of the DBSA in relation to this RFP will be binding on the DBSA unless that representation is expressly incorporated into the contract ultimately entered into between the DBSA and the successful Bidder.

11. CONFIDENTIALITY

11.1 All persons (including all Bidders) obtaining or receiving this RFP and any other information in connection with this RFP or the Tendering Process must keep the contents of the RFP and other such information confidential, and not disclose or use the information except as required for the purpose of developing a proposal in response to this RFP.

12. REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION OR FURTHER INFORMATION

- 12.1 All communications relating to this RFP and the Tendering Process must be directed to the Tender Officer.
- 12.2 All questions or requests for further information or clarification of this RFP or any other document issued in connection with the Tendering Process must be submitted to the Tender Officer in writing, and most preferably by e-mail to www.vusiSCM@dbsa.org
- 12.3 Any communication by a Bidder to the DBSA will be effective upon receipt by the Tender Officer (provided such communication is in the required format).
- 12.4 The DBSA has restricted the period during which it will accept questions or requests for further information or clarification and reserves the right not to respond to any enquiry or request, irrespective of when such enquiry or request is received.
- 12.5 Except where the DBSA is of the opinion that issues raised apply only to an individual Bidder, questions submitted and answers provided will be made available to all Bidders by e-mail, as well as on the DBSA's website without identifying the person or organisation which submitted the question.
- 12.6 In all other instances, the DBSA may directly provide any written notification or response to a Bidder by email to the address of the Bidder (as notified by the Bidder to the Tender Manager).
- 12.7 A Bidder may, by notifying the Tender Officer in writing, withdraw a question submitted in accordance with clause 12, in circumstances where the Bidder does not wish the DBSA to publish its response to the question to all Bidders.

13. UNAUTHORISED COMMUNICATIONS

- 13.1 Communications (including promotional or advertising activities) with staff of the DBSA or their advisors assisting with the Tendering Process are not permitted during the Tendering Process, or otherwise with the prior consent of the Tender Officer. Nothing in this clause 13 is intended to prevent communications with staff of, or advisors to, the DBSA to the extent that such communications do not relate to this RFP or the Tendering Process.
- 13.2 Bidders must not otherwise engage in any activities that may be perceived as, or that may have the effect of, influencing the outcomes of the Tendering Process in any way.

14. IMPROPER ASSISTANCE, FRAUD AND CORRUPTION

14.1 Bidders may not seek or obtain the assistance of employees of the DBSA in the preparation of their tender responses.

- 14.2 The DBSA may in its absolute discretion, immediately disqualify a Bidder that it believes has sought or obtained such improper assistance.
- 14.3 Bidders are to be familiar with the implications of contravening the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, 2004 and any other relevant legislation.

15. ANTI-COMPETITIVE CONDUCT

- 15.1 Bidders and their respective officers, employees, agents and advisors must not engage in any collusion, anti-competitive conduct or any other similar conduct in respect of this Tendering Process with any other Bidder or any other person(s) in relation to:
 - 15.1.1 the preparation or lodgement of their Bid
 - 15.1.2 the evaluation and clarification of their Bid; and
 - 15.1.3 the conduct of negotiations with the DBSA.
- 15.2 For the purposes of this clause 15, collusion, anti-competitive conduct or any other similar conduct may include disclosure, exchange and clarification of information whether or not such information is confidential to the DBSA or any other Bidder or any other person or organisation.
- 15.3 In addition to any other remedies available to it under law or contract, the DBSA may, in its absolute discretion, immediately disqualify a Bidder that it believes has engaged in any collusive, anti-competitive conduct or any other similar conduct during or before the Tendering Process.

16. COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE TENDERING PROCESS

- 16.1 Any complaint about the RFP or the Tendering Process must be submitted to the Supply Chain Management Unit in writing, by email, immediately upon the cause of the complaint arising or becoming known to the Bidder, (<u>VusiSCM@dbsa.org</u>)
- 16.2 The written complaint must set out:
 - 16.2.1 the basis for the complaint, specifying the issues involved;
 - 16.2.2 how the subject of the complaint affects the organisation or person making the complaint;
 - 16.2.3 any relevant background information; and
 - 16.2.4 the outcome desired by the person or organisation making the complaint.
- 16.3 If the matter relates to the conduct of an employee of the DBSA, the complaint should be addressed in writing marked for the attention of the Chief Executive Officer of the DBSA, and delivered to the physical address of the DBSA, as notified.

17. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 17.1 A Bidder must not, and must ensure that its officers, employees, agents and advisors do not place themselves in a position that may give rise to actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest between the interests of the DBSA and the Bidder's interests during the Tender Process.
- 17.2 The Bidder is required to provide details of any interests, relationships or clients which may or do give rise to a conflict of interest in relation to the supply of the services under any contract that may result from this RFP. If the Bidder submits its Bid and a subsequent

conflict of interest arises, or is likely to arise, which was not disclosed in the Bid, the Bidder must notify the DBSA immediately in writing of that conflict.

17.3 The DBSA may immediately disqualify a Bidder from the Tendering Process if the Bidder fails to notify the DBSA of the conflict as required.

18. LATE BIDS

- 18.1 Bids must be delivered by the Closing Time. The Closing Time may be extended by the DBSA in its absolute discretion by providing written notice to Bidders.
- 18.2 Bids delivered after the Closing Time or lodged at a location or in a manner that is contrary to that specified in this RFP will be disqualified from the Tendering Process and will be ineligible for consideration. However, a late Bid may be accepted where the Bidder can clearly demonstrate (to the satisfaction of the DBSA, in its sole discretion) that late lodgement of the Bid was caused by the DBSA; that access was denied or hindered in relation to the physical tender box; or that a major/critical incident hindered the delivery of the Bid and, in all cases, that the integrity of the Tendering Process will not be compromised by accepting a Bid after the Closing Time.
- 18.3 The determination of the DBSA as to the actual time that a Bid is lodged is final. Subject to clause 18.2, all Bids lodged after the Closing Time will be recorded by the DBSA and will only be opened for the purposes of identifying a business name and address of the Bidder. The DBSA will inform a Bidder whose Bid was lodged after the Closing Time of its ineligibility for consideration. The general operating practice is for the late Bid to be returned within 5 (five) working days of receipt or within 5 (five) working days after determination not to accept a late Bid.

19. BIDDER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

- 19.1 Bidders are responsible for:
 - 19.1.1 examining this RFP and any documents referenced or attached to this RFP and any other information made or to be made available by the DBSA to Bidders in connection with this RFP;
 - 19.1.2 fully informing themselves in relation to all matters arising from this RFP, including all matters regarding the DBSA's requirements for the provision of the Services;
 - 19.1.3 ensuring that their Bids are accurate and complete;
 - 19.1.4 making their own enquiries and assessing all risks regarding this RFP, and fully considering and incorporating the impact of any known and unknown risks into their Bid;
 - 19.1.5 ensuring that they comply with all applicable laws in regards to the Tendering Process particularly as specified by National Treasury Regulations, Guidelines, Instruction Notes and Practice Notes and other relevant legislation as published from time to time in the Government Gazette; and
 - 19.1.6 submitting all Compulsory Documents.

- 19.2 Bidders with annual total revenue of R10 million or less qualify as Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a certificate issued by a registered, independent auditor (who or which is not the Bidder or a part of the Bidder) or an accredited verification agency.
- 19.3 Bidders other than EMEs must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy, or a sworn affidavit thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE status. The submission of such certificates must comply with the requirements of instructions and guidelines issued by National Treasury and be in accordance with the applicable notices published by the Department of Trade and Industry in the Government Gazette.
- 19.4 The DBSA reserves the right to require of a Bidder, either before a Bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the DBSA.
- 19.5 Failure to provide the required information may result in disqualification of the Bidder.

20. PREPARATION OF BIDS

- 20.1 Bidders must ensure that:
 - 20.1.1 their Bid is submitted in the required format as stipulated in this RFP; and
 - 20.1.2 all the required information fields in the Bid are completed in full and contain the information requested by the DBSA.
- 20.2 The DBSA may in its absolute discretion reject a Bid that does not include the information requested or is not in the format required.
- 20.3 Unnecessarily elaborate responses or other representations beyond that which is sufficient to present a complete and effective tender proposal are not desired or required. Elaborate and expensive visual and other presentation aids are not necessary.
- 20.4 Where the Bidder is unwilling to accept a specified condition, the non-acceptance must be clearly and expressly stated. Prominence must be given to the statement detailing the non-acceptance. It is not sufficient that the statement appears only as part of an attachment to the Bid, or be included in a general statement of the Bidders usual operating conditions.
- 20.5 An incomplete Bid may be disqualified or assessed solely on the information completed or received with the Bid.

21. ILLEGIBLE CONTENT, ALTERATION AND ERASURES

- 21.1 Incomplete Bids may be disqualified or evaluated solely on information contained in the Bid.
- 21.2 The DBSA may disregard any content in a Tender that is illegible and will be under no obligation whatsoever to seek clarification from the Bidder.
- 21.3 The DBSA may permit a Bidder to correct an unintentional error in its Bid where that error becomes known or apparent after the Closing Time, but in no event will any correction be permitted if the DBSA reasonably considers that the correction would materially alter the substance of the Bid or effect the fairness of the Tendering Process.

22. OBLIGATION TO NOTIFY ERRORS

If, after a Bidder's Response has been submitted, the Bidder becomes aware of an error in the Bidders Response (including an error in pricing but excluding clerical errors which would have no bearing on the evaluation of the Bid), the Bidder must promptly notify the DBSA of such error.

23. RESPONSIBILITY FOR BIDDING COSTS

- 23.1 The Bidders participation or involvement in any stage of the Tendering Process is at the Bidders sole risk, cost and expense. The DBSA will not be held responsible for, or pay for, any expense or loss that may be incurred by Bidders in relation to the preparation or lodgement of their Bid.
- 23.2 The DBSA is not liable to the Bidder for any costs on the basis of any contractual, promissory or restitutionary grounds whatsoever as a consequence of any matter relating to the Bidders participation in the Tendering Process, including without limitation, instances where:
 - 23.2.1 the Bidder is not engaged to perform under any contract; or
 - 23.2.2 the DBSA exercises any right under this RFP or at law.

24. DISCLOSURE OF BID CONTENTS AND BID INFORMATION

- 24.1 All Bids received by the DBSA will be treated as confidential. The DBSA will not disclose contents of any Bid and Bid information, except:
 - 24.1.1 as required by law;
 - 24.1.2 for the purpose of investigations by other government authorities having relevant jurisdiction;
 - 24.1.3 to external consultants and advisors of the DBSA engaged to assist with the Tendering Process; or for the general information of Bidders required to be disclosed as per National Treasury Regulations, Guidelines, Instruction Notes or Practice Notes.

25. USE OF BIDS

- 25.1 Upon submission in accordance with the requirements relating to the submission of Bids, all Bids submitted become the property of the DBSA. Bidders will retain all ownership rights in any intellectual property contained in the Bids.
- 25.2 Each Bidder, by submission of their Bid, is deemed to have licensed the DBSA to reproduce the whole, or any portion, of their Bid for the sole purposes of enabling the DBSA to evaluate the Bid.

26. BID ACCEPTANCE

All Bids received must remain open for acceptance for a minimum period of 90 (Ninety) days from the Closing Time. This period may be extended by written mutual agreement between the DBSA and the Bidder.

27. EVALUATION PROCESS

27.1 The Bids will be evaluated and adjudicated as follows:

27.1.1 **First Stage – Test for administrative Responsiveness**

The test for administrative responsiveness will include the following:

Stage 1: Responsiveness

The Tenderer should be able to provide all the relevant information required in the Supplier Information Form (SIF) which will include but not limited to;

A. Tenderers who do not adhere to those criteria listed a PRE-QUALIFIER, will be disqualified immediately.

Responsiveness Criteria		Prequalifying Criteria	Applicable to this Tender (Y/N)
1.	Adherence in submitting Tender as two stage folders. Folder 1 - Prequalifying and Functionality proposal Folder 2 - Pricing and Preferential Assessment	Pre-Qualifier	Y

B. Tenderers who do not adhere to the indicated response time for clarifications requested by the Employer will be deemed to be non-responsive and their submissions will not be evaluated further.

	Responsiveness Criteria	Clarification Time	Applicable to this Tender (Y/N)
2	Standard conditions of tender as required.	48 hours	Y
3	Returnable documents completed and signed.	48 hours	Y
4	Submission of Proof of Registration with National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) Summary Report or A Valid and Active Tax Compliance Status Pin issued by SARS for Tax Compliance Status Verification: N.B - Bidder must be fully registered & tax compliant in order to do business with the DBSA.	7 Working days	Y

Only those Bidders which satisfy all of the Pre-Qualifying Criteria of the First Stage will be eligible to participate in the Tendering Process further. Bids which do not satisfy all of the Pre-Qualifying Criteria of the First Stage will not be evaluated further.

27.1.2 Second Stage – Functional criteria

27.1.1 Only those Bidders which score **[70]** points or higher (out of a possible 100) during the functional evaluation of the Second Stage will be

evaluated further during the second stage of the Bid. Bidders are required to submit supporting documentation evidencing their compliance with each requirement, where applicable.

Bidders will be assessed on the functional criteria (Second Stage) as set out in this RFP. Only those Bidders which comply with the eligibility criteria will proceed to the Third Stage.

27.1.2 Third Stage – price and preferential points

- 27.1.2.1 Those Bidders which have passed the First Stage (Responsiveness Test) and Second Stage (Functional Evaluation) of the tender process will be eligible to be evaluated on the Third Stage based on price and preference point allocation in accordance with the PPPFA regulations.
- 27.1.2.2 The recommended preferred Bidder will be the Bidder that scores the highest number of points in the Third Stage of the Bid evaluation, unless the DBSA exercises its right to cancel the RFP, in line with the PPPFA Regulations.

27.2 NB: Bidders are required to submit, as Annexure J to their Bids, any documentation which supports the responses provided in respect of the Eligibility Criteria below.

27.3 First Stage : Pre-Qualifying Criteria

Only those Bidders which satisfy all the Pre-Qualifying Criteria will be eligible to participate in the Tendering Process further. Bids which do not satisfy all the Pre-Qualifying Criteria will not be evaluated further. Please refer to the table above

Note: A tender that fails to meet any Pre-Qualifying Criteria stipulated herein in the tender documents is an unacceptable tender. Please refer to the table above

27.4 Second Stage: Functional Criteria

The Functional Criteria that will be used to test the capability of Bidders are as follows: The technical proposal will be evaluated according to the criteria and scoring system **indicated under terms of reference section on page 40 - 41**. The technical score will be calculated out of 100 points, and only those bids that achieve a threshold of **70 points** for the technical proposal will move to the next level of evaluation where a score for price and BBBEE.

27.5 A minimum of **70 points out of a 100** for the functional evaluation will qualify the Bid to move on to the Third Stage of evaluation, which is price and preferential point's

evaluation. Bidders that do not score 70 points or higher at this stage of the evaluation will not be evaluated during the Third Stage of the evaluation.

27.6 Third Stage: Price and Preferential Points Assessment

27.6.1 The Third Stage of evaluation of the Bids will be in respect of price and preferential procurement only. Points will be allocated to Bidders at this stage of the evaluation in accordance with the PPPFA and the PPPFA Regulations, as follows:

Price points 80 Preferential procurement points 20

27.6.2 Price points

The following formula will be used to calculate the points for price:

Ps = 80(1-(Pt-Pmin)/Pmin)

Where:

Ps = Points scored for comparative price of tender or offer under consideration;

Pt = Comparative price of tender or offer under consideration; and Pmin = Comparative price of lowest acceptable tender or offer.

27.6.3 **Preferential procurement points**

A maximum of 20 points may be awarded in respect of preferential procurement, which points must be awarded to a tenderer for attaining their B-BBEE Status Level in accordance with the table below:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	16
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

An unincorporated trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate Bid.

27.6.4 **Total**

The total points scored by each Bidder will be calculated by adding the points scored for price (out of 80) to the points scored for preferential procurement (out of 20).

The successful Bidder will be the Bidder which has the highest total points (out of 100) for both price and preferential procurement (unless there is a basis for selecting a different successful Bidder in accordance with section 2(1)(f) of the PPPFA).

28. STATUS OF BID

- 28.1 Each Bid constitutes an irrevocable offer by the Bidder to the DBSA to provide the Services required and otherwise to satisfy the requirements of the Specification as set out in this RFP.
- 28.2 A Bid must not be conditional on:
 - 28.2.1 the Board approval of the Bidder or any related governing body of the Bidder being obtained;
 - 28.2.2 the Bidder conducting due diligence or any other form of enquiry or investigation;
 - 28.2.3 the Bidder (or any other party) obtaining any regulatory approval or consent;
 - 28.2.4 the Bidder obtaining the consent or approval of any third party; or
 - 28.2.5 the Bidder stating that it wishes to discuss or negotiate any commercial terms of the contract.
- 28.3 The DBSA may, in its absolute discretion, disregard any Bid that is, or is stated to be, subject to any one or more of the conditions detailed above (or any other relevant conditions).
- 28.4 The DBSA reserves the right to accept a Bid in part or in whole or to negotiate with a Bidder in accordance with the provisions of this RFP and the applicable laws and regulations.

29. CLARIFICATION OF BIDS

- 29.1 The DBSA may seek clarification from and enter into discussions with any or all of the Bidders in relation to their Bid. The DBSA may use the information obtained when clarification is sought or discussions are had in interpreting the Bid and evaluating the cost and risk of accepting the Bid. Failure to supply clarification to the satisfaction of the DBSA may render the Bid liable to disqualification.
- 29.2 The DBSA is under no obligation to seek clarification of anything in a Bid and reserves the right to disregard any clarification that the DBSA considers to be unsolicited or otherwise impermissible or irrelevant in accordance with the rules set out in this RFP.

30. DISCUSSION WITH BIDDERS

- 30.1 The DBSA may elect to engage in detailed discussions with any one or more Bidder(s), with a view to maximising the benefits of this RFP as measured against the evaluation criteria and in fully understanding a Bidder's offer.
- 30.2 As part of the evaluation of this Bid, DBSA will invite Bidders to give a presentation to the DBSA in relation to their submissions.
- 30.3 The DBSA is under no obligation to undertake discussions with, and Bidders.
- 30.4 In addition to presentations and discussions, the DBSA may request some or all Bidders to:
 - 30.4.1 conduct a site visit, if applicable;
 - 30.4.2 provide references or additional information; and/or
 - 30.4.3 make themselves available for panel interviews.

31. SUCCESSFUL BIDS

- 31.1 Selection as a successful Bidder does not give rise to a contract (express or implied) between the successful Bidder and the DBSA for the supply of the Services. No legal relationship will exist between the DBSA and a successful Bidder for the supply of the Services until such time as a binding contract is executed by them.
- 31.2 The DBSA may, in its absolute discretion, decide not to enter into pre-contractual negotiations with a successful Bidder.
- 31.3 A Bidder is bound by its Bid and all other documents forming part of the Bidder's Response and, if selected as a successful Bidder, must enter into a contract on the basis of the Bid with or without further negotiation.

32. NO OBLIGATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT

- 32.1 The DBSA is under no obligation to appoint a successful Bidder or Bidders (as the case may be), or to enter into a contract with a successful Bidder or any other person, if it is unable to identify a Bid that complies in all relevant respects with the requirements of the DBSA, or if due to changed circumstances, there is no longer a need for the Services requested, or if funds are no longer available to cover the total envisaged expenditure. For the avoidance of any doubt, in these circumstances the DBSA will be free to proceed via any alternative process.
- 32.2 The DBSA may conduct a debriefing session for all Bidders (successful and unsuccessful). Attendance at such debriefing session is optional.

33. BIDDER WARRANTIES

- 33.1 By submitting a Bid, a Bidder warrants that:
 - 33.1.1 it did not rely on any express or implied statement, warranty or representation, whether oral, written, or otherwise made by or on behalf of the DBSA, its officers, employees, or advisers other than any statement, warranty or representation expressly contained in the RFP;
 - it did not use the improper assistance of DBSA's employees or information unlawfully obtained from them in compiling its Bid;

- 33.1.3 it is responsible for all costs and expenses related to the preparation and lodgement of its Bid, any subsequent negotiation, and any future process connected with or relating to the Tendering Process;
- 33.1.4 it accepts and will comply with the terms set out in this RFP; and
- 33.1.5 it will provide additional information in a timely manner as requested by the DBSA to clarify any matters contained in the Bid.

34. DBSA'S RIGHTS

- 34.1 Notwithstanding anything else in this RFP, and without limiting its rights at law or otherwise, the DBSA reserves the right, in its absolute discretion at any time, to:
 - 34.1.1 cease to proceed with, or suspend the Tendering Process prior to the execution of a formal written contract;
 - 34.1.2 alter the structure and/or the timing of this RFP or the Tendering Process;
 - 34.1.3 vary or extend any time or date specified in this RFP
 - 34.1.4 terminate the participation of any Bidder or any other person in the Tendering Process;
 - 34.1.5 require additional information or clarification from any Bidder or any other person;
 - 34.1.6 provide additional information or clarification;
 - 34.1.7 negotiate with any one or more Bidder;
 - 34.1.8 call for new Bid;
 - 34.1.9 reject any Bid received after the Closing Time; or
 - 34.1.10 reject any Bid that does not comply with the requirements of this RFP.

35. GOVERNING LAWS

- 35.1 This RFP and the Tendering Process are governed by the laws of the Republic of South Africa.
- 35.2 Each Bidder must comply with all relevant laws in preparing and lodging its Bid and in taking part in the Tendering Process.
- 35.3 All Bids must be completed using the English language and all costing must be in South African Rand.

36. MANDATORY QUESTIONS

36.1 Bidders shall provide full and accurate answers to all (including mandatory) questions posed in this document, and, are required to explicitly state "Comply/Accept" or "Do not comply/Do not accept" (with a √ or an X) regarding compliance with the requirements. Where necessary, the Bidders shall substantiate their response to a specific question.

NOTE: It is mandatory for Bidders to complete or answer this part fully; failure to do so result the Bid being treated as incomplete and the Bid may be disqualified.

This Bid is subject to the General Conditions of Contract stipulated in this RFP document.	Do not comply/Do not accept

The laws of the Republic of South Africa shall govern	Comply/Accept	
this RFP and the Bidders hereby accept that the courts		comply/Do not accept
of the Republic of South Africa shall have the		•
jurisdiction.		

36.1.3

The DBSA shall not be liable for any costs incurred by	Comply/Accept	Do not
the Bidder in the preparation of response to this RFP.		comply/Do
The preparation of response shall be made without		not accept
obligation to acquire any of the items included in any		
Bidder's proposal or to select any proposal, or to discuss		
the reasons why such vendor's or any other proposal		
was accepted or rejected.		

36.1.4

The DBSA may request written clarification or further	Comply/Accept	Do not
information regarding any aspect of this proposal. The		comply/Do
Bidders must supply the requested information in writing		not accept
within two working days after the request has been		
made, otherwise the proposal may be disqualified.		

36.1.5

In the case of Consortium, Joint Venture or	Comply/Accept	Do not
subcontractors, Bidders are required to provide copies		comply/Do
of signed agreements stipulating the work split and		not accept
Rand value.		

In the case of Consortium, Joint Venture or Com	ply/Accept Do not
subcontractors, all Bidders are required to provide	comply/Do
mandatory documents as stipulated in Part C: Checklist	not accept
of Compulsory Returnable Schedules and Documents	
of the Tender Document.	

The DBSA reserves the right to; cancel or reject any	Comply/Accept	Do not
proposal and not to award the proposal to the lowest		comply/Do
Bidder or award parts of the proposal to different		not accept
Bidders, or not to award the proposal at all.		

Where applicable, Bidders who are distributors,	Comply/Accept	Do not
resellers and installers of network equipment are		comply/Do
required to submit back-to-back agreements and		not accept
service level agreements with their principals.		

36.1.9

By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, the	Comply/Accept	Do not
Bidders accept the evaluation criteria as it stands.		comply/Do
		not accept

36.1.10

Where applicable, the DBSA reserves the right to run	Comply/Accept	Do not
benchmarks on the requirements equipment during the		comply/Do
evaluation and after the evaluation.		not accept

36.1.11

The DBSA reserves the right to conduct a pre-award	Comply/Accept	Do not
survey during the source selection process to evaluate		comply/Do
contractors' capabilities to meet the requirements		not accept
specified in the RFP and supporting documents.		

Only the solution commercially available at the proposal	Comply/Accept	Do not
closing date shall be considered. No Bids for future		comply/Do
solutions shall be accepted.		not accept

The Bidder should not qualify the proposal with own	Comply/Accept	Do not
conditions.		comply/Do
Caution: If the Bidder does not specifically withdraw its		not accept
own conditions of proposal when called upon to do so,		
the proposal response shall be declared invalid.		

Delivery of and acceptance of correspondence between	Comply/Accept	Do not
the DBSA and the Bidder sent by prepaid registered		comply/Do
post (by air mail if appropriate) in a correctly addressed		not accept
envelope to either party's postal address or address for		
service of legal documents shall be deemed to have		
been received and accepted after (2) two days from the		
date of postage to the South African Post Office Ltd.		

36.1.15

Should the parties at any time before and/or after the	Comply/Accept	Do not
award of the proposal and prior to, and-or after		comply/Do
conclusion of the contract fail to agree on any significant		not accept
product price or service price adjustments, change in		
technical specification, change in services, etc. The		
DBSA shall be entitled within 14 (fourteen) days of such		
failure to agree, to recall the letter of award and cancel		
the proposal by giving the Bidder not less than 90 (ninety)		
days written notice of such cancellation, in which event		
all fees on which the parties failed to agree increases or		
decreases shall, for the duration of such notice period,		
remain fixed on those fee/price applicable prior to the		
negotiations.		
Such cancellation shall mean that the DBSA reserves the		
right to award the same proposal to next best Bidders as		
it deems fit.		

In the case of a consortium or JV, each of the authorised	Comply/Accept	Do not
enterprise's members and/or partners of the different		comply/Do
enterprises must co-sign this document.		not accept

Any amendment or change of any nature made to this	Comply/Accept	Do not
RFP shall only be of force and effect if it is in writing,		comply/Do
signed by the DBSA signatory and added to this RFP as		not accept
an addendum.		

Failure or neglect by either party to (at any time)	Comply/Accept	Do not
enforce any of the provisions of this proposal shall not,		comply/Do not
in any manner, be construed to be a waiver of any of		accept
that party's right in that regard and in terms of this		
proposal. Such failure or neglect shall not, in any		
manner, affect the continued, unaltered validity of this		
proposal, or prejudice the right of that party to institute		
subsequent action.		

Bidders who make use of subcontractors:	Comply/Accept	Do comply/Do accept	not not
1. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to select competent			
subcontractors that meet all the tender requirements			
stipulated in this tender document.			
2. The Bidder shall be responsible for all due diligence of			
the selected subcontractors and will be held liable for any			
non-performance of the subcontractor.			
3. Bidders are required to provide documentation (such			
as BBBEE Certificate/Sworn Affidavit, Valid or Active Tax			
Compliance Status Pin Issued by SARS, CSD Summary			
Report, Valid or Active CIDB Certificate etc.) for the			
relevant subcontractor as a minimum in support of the			
subcontracting arrangement.			
4. Subcontracting must not contradict any Regulation or			
Legislation.			
5. No separate contract shall be entered into between the			
DBSA and any such subcontractors. Copies of the signed			
agreements between the relevant parties must be			
attached to the proposal responses.			

All services supplied in accordance with this proposal	Comply/Accept	Do	not
must be certified to all legal requirements as per the		comply/Do	not
South African law.		accept	

No interest shall be payable on accounts due to the	Comply/Accept	Do	not
successful Bidder in an event of a dispute arising on		comply/Do	not
any stipulation in the contract.		accept	

36.1.22

Evaluation of Bids shall be performed by an evaluation	Comply/Accept	Do not
panel established by the DBSA.		comply/Do not
Bids shall be evaluated on the basis of conformance to		accept
the required specifications (functionality) as outlined in		
the RFP. For Bids considered for price and preference		
evaluation, points shall be allocated to each Bidder, on		
the basis that the maximum number of points that may		
be scored for price is 80, and the maximum number of		
preference points that may be claimed for B-BBEE		
status level of contributor (according to the PPPFA		
Regulations) is 20.		

36.1.23

lf	the	successful	Bidder	disregards	contractual	Comply/Accept	Do no) t
sp	ecifica	ations, this ad	ction may	result in the	termination		comply/Do	
of	of the contract.					not accept		

The Bidders' response to this Bid, or parts of the	Comply/Accept	Do not
response, shall be included as a whole or by reference		comply/Do not
in the final contract.		accept

Should the evaluation of this Bid not be completed	Comply/Accept	Do not
within the validity period of the Bid, the DBSA has		comply/Do not
discretion to extend the validity period.		accept

Upon receipt of the request to extend the validity period	Comply/Accept	Do not
of the Bid, the Bidder must respond within the required		comply/Do
time frames and in writing on whether or not he agrees		not accept
to hold his original Bid response valid under the same		
terms and conditions for a further period.		

36.1.27

Should the Bidder change any wording or phrase in this	Comply/Accept	Do not
document, the Bid shall be evaluated as though no		comply/Do
change has been effected and the original wording or		not accept
phrasing shall be used.		

36.1.28

Tax Compliance Status either on CSD National Treasury Database or SARS eFiling System as a Condition for Appointment/Award of the Bid.	Comply/Accept	Do not comply/Do not accept
This requirement is mandatory and has to be satisfied		
by the successful bidder. The successful bidder must be		
tax compliant prior to appointment/award of the bid as		
no bid will be awarded to persons who are not tax		
compliant.		

Company registration with CSD National Treasury Database as a Condition for Appointment/Award of the Bid.	Comply/Accept	Do not comply/Do not accept
This requirement is mandatory and has to be satisfied		
by the successful bidder. The successful bidder must be		
registered on the CSD National Treasury site prior to		
appointment/award of the bid.		

The following will be grounds for disqualification	n: Comply/Accept	Do not
 Unsatisfactory performance under a prev public contract in the past 5 years, provided notice of such unsatisfactory performance been given to the bidder; and/or 	that	comply/Do not accept
 The bidder or any of its directors have comm a corrupt or fraudulent act in competing for appointment; and/or 		
 The bidder or any of its directors have be convicted of fraud or corruption in the la years; and/or 		
 The bidder or any of its directors have be listed in the Register for Tender Defau under section 9 of the Prevention Combating of Corrupt Activities Act; and/or 		
 Bids received after the stipulated closure will be immediately disqualified; and/or 	ime	
 Bidders whom have recently completed currently performing, or to commence work specific categories of services may be exclu- to enable the Bank manage its concentra- risk. This threshold is currently set at R10 million for consultancy services. 	c on ded tion	

Signature(s) of Bidder or assignee(s)

Date

Name of signing person (in block letters)

Capacity

Are you duly authorized to sign this Bid?

Name of Bidder (in block letters)

Postal address (in block letters)

Domicilium citandi et executandi in the RSA (full street address of this place) (in block letters)

Email Address.....

PART E

TERMS OF REFERENCE & PROJECT BRIEF

1. INTRODUCTION

This document serves as the requirement of the IPP Office for the study to be undertaken by a team on consultants appointed by the DBSA to research the Implementation approach of grid enablement through self - build approaches in RFP including appropriate cost recovery, tariff structure and ownerships models. IPP Programmes as per the IRP and the Determination promulgated in the Government Gazette No. 43734 on the 25 September 2020.

The study will be funded by a grant from KFW to support the IPP Office and administered by the DBSA. The Scope of Work (SOW) is described in this document. The requirements as specified in this document are to be followed for developing proposals by respondents.

2. BACKGROUND

The Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) 2019 Table 5 indicates that there is a requirement for the following new generation capacity between 2020 and 2030:

- 1. 2000MW for a range of energy source technologies
- 2. 14400MW of Wind generation;
- 3. 6000 of Solar PV generation;
- 4. 2098MW of Energy Storage;
- 5. 3000MW of Gas generation;
- 6. 2500MW of Imported Hydro generation; and
- 7. 1500MW of Coal generation.

In addition to the new generation capacity listed above, the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) 2019 indicates the requirement to decommission 11017MW of Coal Generation between 2020 and 2030.

In alignment with the IRP 2019 outcomes above, Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy has promulgated 2 Section 34 Determinations in 2020 with the requirement to procure the following new generation capacity within a specified timeline:

- 1. 2000MW for a range of energy source technologies by 2022.
- 2. 6800MW of Wind and Solar PV generation between 2022 and 2024;
- 3. 513MW of Energy Storage by 2022;
- 4. 3000MW of Gas generation between 2024 and 2027; and

The DMRE intends to launch several Independent Power Procurement Programme (IPPP) as part of the implementation of the IRP 2019, to meet the generation supply requirements in South Africa. Historically transmission grid connection capacity has been featuring as a significant increasing risk to the implementation of the IPPPs with every programme implemented and according to the Eskom Transmission Grid Connection Capacity Assessment Study 2022 Update this will not change in the medium term as Transmission Grid Infrastructure is on the critical path in connecting large new generation due to long lead times for securing grid corridors recommending a 7 year lead time for new grid corridors.

The Eskom Transmission Development Plan 2020 has highlighted a requirement for significant new Grid infrastructure impacted by the following factors:

- 1. Capital funding constraints;
- 2. Supplier and construction lead times; and
- 3. Land acquisition lead times.

As this scale of Power procurement has not previously been performed in South Africa, an understanding of what needs to be considered to mitigate the above risk, in order to formulate a procurement programme, needs to be determined. In order to meet this requirement, the IPPO has be created this Research Study Request for Proposal (RFP).

In view of the above, there is a requirement to appoint a team of suitably experienced and qualified Transaction Advisers to assist and support the IPP Office in performing the research study. The team of Transaction Advisers will consist of:

- Legal Advisers;
- Financial Advisers; and
- Technical Advisers.

3. PURPOSE

To deliver a comprehensive study and recommendations based on international and local experience as well as best practice of Mitigating the grid connection capacity risk through Optimised Grid establishment strategies, considering the:

- 1. Different technical solutions, project lead times and their learning curves;
- 2. Regulatory and legislative environment;
- 3. Commercial mechanisms; and
- 4. Available for consideration and implementation according to the IRP 2019 timeline.

4. OVERVIEW OF REQUIREMENT

The IPP Office is looking to procure the services of a suitably experienced team of consultants to apply international and local best practice as the basis of mitigating the grid connection capacity risk through Optimised Grid establishment strategies that will amongst others provide a comprehensive:

- Assess and rank the risks associated with the enablement of Generation Grid connections in the South African Power System. <u>Information on reference work</u> <u>previously performed will be provided via a secure access portal and is to be</u> <u>treated as strictly confidential and may not be shared with other parties.</u>
- 2. Cost benefit analysis to managing the grid connection capacity risk of the IRP 2019.
- Options to manage the grid connection risks that are available in the market. The report should consider the implementation approaches, lead times and benchmarking costs;
- 4. Assessment of the associated bankable commercial arrangements;
- 5. Analysis of the current legislative and regulatory environment, perform and gap analysis and provide proposed solutions to the highlighted gaps. Assessments of the risks associated with changing energy regulatory environment namely, but not limited to, the new Electricity Regulations Act Schedule 2 amendment accommodating for upto 100MW embedded generation and the unbundling of Eskom into separate legal entities of Generation, Transmission and Distribution.
- 6. Road map for implementation of Optimised Grid establishment strategies according to the IRP 2019, taking into consideration of the structural changes in the electricity industry i.e. considering the future changes in the Electricity Supply Industry with the establishment of the Independent Transmission System Operator and the implementation of new Schedule 2 of the Electricity Regulations Act; and
- 7. Undertake stakeholder engagements and market testing as may be required.
- 8. Recommend clauses into the IPPPP RFPs.

It is anticipated that the work will be undertaken in collaboration with the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), the IPP Office, Department of Trade and Industry and Commerce, Eskom, and NERSA.

6 Proposal

Proposals need to clearly state the following information:

- 1. Understanding of the scope;
- 2. Research approach and methodology;
- Applicable experience of the resources including the names qualifications and roles of the team members involved;
- 4. Deliverables (including timelines and cost per deliverable);
- 5. The table below is indicative of the deliverables, timeframes and must be completed stating the resource experience and cost.

Deliverable from Advisors	Timeline	Resources assigned and relevant experience	Cost
Optimised Grid establishment strategies Report			
Draft Assumptions and Methodology Report	15 February 2021		
Signed Assumptions and Methodology Report	15 March 2021		
Draft Final Report	28 June 2022		
Signed off Final Report	31 July 2022		
Road Map for implementation and Risk Framework including market sounding.	31 July 2022		
Engagement with Stakeholders and market sounding	Ongoing 15 February 2022 – 31 July 2022		
Total (Exc. Vat)			

- Resources, rates per person per hour per allocated deliverable. Note that all resource cost need to roll-up to a deliverable;
- Disbursements: As per standard IPP Policy

6 Deliverable Acceptance Criteria

Deliverables will only be paid once accepted by the IPP Office. The following deliverable acceptance criteria will apply prior to accepting a deliverable as final:

- Project Manager review;
- KfW "No Objection" sign off
- Should rework be required, the deliverable will be returned to the TA;
- The TA will distribute a revision update for review as described above.

6 IPP Office Cost Management

The TA will invoice in accordance with the SOW and their proposals.

The following should also be clearly noted on the supporting documentation:

- The PO number,
- Deliverables and cost per deliverable (deliverables need to be stated exactly as per the PO);
- Deliverable document number;
- Resources and rate/hr; and
- Expenses incurred.

The DBSA policy applies taking into consideration any other requirements from KfW as the grant provider.

TA must also note the following IPP Office requirements:

- Approved POs are required for the rendering of any service by a third party or Transaction Advisor (TA). No work instruction may be issued without an approved PO;
- 2. TAs assumes the risk when performing work without a PO or in excess of an approved PO amount, not the IPP Office.
- 3. TAs can only sub-contract with prior approval from the DBSA. On agreement, POs will be issued to the contracted firm only.
- 4. PO requests need to be accompanied by a written Scope of Work (SOW) with a focus on deliverables and a formal proposal from the relevant TA in line with the SOW issued. Rates as per the DBSA contract and hours assigned to the deliverable need to be stipulated and deliverables clearly indicated. The budget owner is required to sign-off on PO requests.
- Full payment of an invoice is dependent on IPP Office approval/acceptance of deliverables. TA invoices for work completed needs to reach the IPP Office for processing within a period of three months after submission/acceptance of deliverables.

- Invoices received prior to the 1st working day of any month will be paid by the first Friday of the following month. Payment may be another month later if received after the 1st working day.
- 7. Invoices need to be accompanied by detailed timesheets and receipts for reimbursements. Travel claims needs to be aligned to the travel policy.

5. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Functionality	Requirements		Score Qualif	Weighting points	Supporting documentation found on Page No. or Not Found	
Company Experience:	 The tenderer must have experience in providing mutli- disciplinary research i.e. technology, finance, legal and economic development, and provide a detailed company profile addressing amongst others but not limited to: Services provided and experience of their lead team members of the different research disciplines list above 	elements indicated. on the criteria below Companies experience No response Poor Satisfactory Good	Each discipl w: Score 0 10 20 30	npany profile covering all line lead will be assessed Years' Experience No information Less than 1 years 1 < Years < 3 years >3 Years d as an average score of	30	
References / Track Record	Testimonials of previous similar work conducted of the Technology; Finance; and Legal and Regulatory,	-	rstanding of cluding the n embers invol rence	services (not older than ames qualifications and	30	

Functionality	Requirements		Scor	re Qualification	Weighting points	Supporting documentation found on Page No. or Not Found
Capability to deliver	Analysis and alignment of	Provide comp	rehensive	and detailed methodologies of the		
	response to the scope of work	implementatio	on of techn	ical support.		
	Demonstrate an understanding of the South	APPROA CH	SCO RE	Bidders Understanding of the SOW		
	African Electricity Energy	No response	0			
	environment and the change factors.Demonstrate the research	Poor	10	The approach plan or methodology is poor and not tailored to address the specific project objectives		
	 methodology and approach. Demonstrate the Project Plan and Resource allocation associated with the Track 	Satisfacto ry	20	The approach plan or methodology is <u>generic</u> and not tailored to address the specific project objectives	40	
	 Demonstrate Fee Breakdown per milestone and Total fee 	Good	30	The approach plan or methodology is specific and tailored to address the specific project objectives		
	Very Good		40	The approach plan or methodology is specific and tailored to address the specific project objectives and covers in full all of the elements		
		Total		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	100	

A total score of **70** should be achieved for a bidder to be evaluated further for Price.

6. APPROACH TO PROCUREMENT

The DBSA, with this Terms of Reference, is inviting Advisers through an **open tender** to provide their resources and pricing in terms of the aforementioned Scope of Work.

Fees and Assumptions

FORM OF OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE (AGREEMENT)

FORM OF OFFER

THE CONSULTANT IS TO COMPLETE AND SIGN THE FORM OF OFFER

The Employer, identified in the Acceptance signature block, has solicited offers to enter into a contract in respect of the following services:

RFP025/2022: Proposal on the enablement of the energy sector developments through Optimised Grid establishment strategies, to facilitate the implementation of the IRP. Research Study for the Independent Power Producers Office (IPPO) KFW Work Package KFWWP03

The Tenderer, identified in the Offer signature block below, has examined the documents listed in the Tender Data and addenda thereto as listed in the Tender Schedules, and by submitting this Offer has accepted the Conditions of Tender.

By the representative of the Tenderer, deemed to be duly authorised, signing this part of this Form of Offer and Acceptance, the Tenderer offers to perform all of the obligations and liabilities of the consultant under the Contract including compliance with all its terms and conditions according to their true intent and meaning for an amount to be determined in accordance with the Conditions of Contract identified in the Contract Data.

THE OFFERED TOTAL OF THE PRICES INCLUSIVE OF ALL TAX IS

(in words); ZAR (in figures),

This offer may be accepted by the Employer by signing the Acceptance part of this Form of Offer and Acceptance and returning one copy of this document to the Tenderer before the end

of the period of validity stated in the Tender Data, whereupon the Tenderer becomes the party named as the consultant in the Conditions of Contract identified in the Contract Data.

Signature(s)			
Name(s)				
Capacity				
For <i>Tenderer</i>	the			
		(Name and address of organisa	tion)	
Name	and			
signature	of			
witness			Date _	

Annexure B

Brief profile (of no longer than a page) of each member of the proposed team and the role that they will play in the services.

This document(s) is to be prepared and submitted by the bidders as Annexure B to their Bid.

Annexure B

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

- 1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state¹, or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes a price quotation, advertised competitive bid, limited bid or proposal). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where-
 - the bidder is employed by the state; and/or
 - the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

2. In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

2.1	Full	Name	of	bidder	or	his	or	her	representative:
2.2	Identity								Number:
2.3	Position	occupie	ed in	the	Company	(dire	ector,	trustee,	shareholder ²):
2.4	Compan	•			Registrat				Number:
2.5	Tax				Reference				Number:
2.6	VAT				Registratior	ı			Number:
2.6.1 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if applicable, employee / persal numbers must be indicated in paragraph 3 below.									
¹ "State" m	 1"State" means – (a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999); (b) any municipality or municipal entity; (c) provincial legislature; 								

(d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or

(e) Parliament.

²"Shareholder" means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the enterprise or business and exercises control over the enterprise.

- 2.7 Are you or any person connected with the bidder **YES / NO** presently employed by the state?
- 2.7.1 If so, furnish the following particulars:

Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member:

Name of state institution at which you or the person connected to the bidder is employed : Position occupied in the state institution:

Any other particulars:

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- 2.7.2 If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain**YES / NO** the appropriate authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the public sector?
- 2.7.2.1 If yes, did you attached proof of such authority to the bid**YES / NO** document?

(Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.

2.7.2.2 If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:

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- 2.8 Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / YES / NO trustees / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve months?
- 2.8.1 If so, furnish particulars:
- 2.9 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have any relationship (family, friend, other) with a person employed by the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?
 2.9.1If so, furnish particulars.

2.10 Are you, or any person connected with the bidder, **YES/NO** aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between

any other bidder and any person employed by the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?

2.10.1 lf so, furnish particulars.

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- 2.11 Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members **YES/NO** of the company have any interest in any other related companies whether or not they are bidding for this contract?
- 2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3. Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Tax Reference Number	StateEmployeeNumber/ PersalNumber/

4. DECLARATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME).....

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 23 OF THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder

Annexure C

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2017

1..1.1

This preference form must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Status Level of Contribution

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF B-BBEE, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:
 - the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
 - a) The value of this bid is estimated not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 80/20 preference point system shall be applicable; or
 - b) Either the 80/20 preference point system will be applicable to this tender.
- 1.2 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:
 - (a) Price; and
 - (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.
- 1.3 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	20
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

- 1.4 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE Status level of contributor together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.
- 1.5 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

2. DEFINITIONS

- (a) "B-BBEE" means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (b) "B-BBEE status level of contributor" means the B-BBEE status of an entity in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (c) "bid" means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the provision of goods or services, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- (d) **"Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act"** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
- (e) "EME" means an Exempted Micro Enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (f) **"functionality"** means the ability of a tenderer to provide goods or services in accordance with specifications as set out in the tender documents.
- (g) "prices" includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (h) "proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor" means:
 - 1) B-BBEE Status level certificate issued by an authorized body or person;
 - 2) A sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice;
 - 3) Any other requirement prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Act;
- (i) "QSE" means a qualifying small business enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (*j*) **"rand value"** means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1 THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20

$$Ps = 80 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - P\min}{P\min} \right)$$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of bid under consideration

Pt = Price of bid under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable bid

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR

4.1 In terms of Regulation 6 (2) and 7 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	16
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

5. BID DECLARATION

5.1 Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete the following:

6. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 4.1

6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor:. =(maximum of 10 or 20 points)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

7.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted?

(Tick applicable box)

	YES		NO	
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7.1.1 If yes, indicate:

i)		percentage	of	the %	contract	will	be
ii)	The	name		of	the		sub-
iii)	The		status	level	of	the	sub-
iv)	Whether th	ne sub-contracto	r is an EME	or QSE			

- (Tick applicable box) YES NO
- v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations,2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned	EME	QSE
by:	\checkmark	

Black people

Black people who are youth

Black people who are women

Black people with disabilities

Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships

Cooperative owned by black people

Black people who are military veterans

OR

Any EME

Any QSE

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

8.1	Name compar	ny/firm:							of
8.2	VAT number	·····						registra	tion
8.3	Compar number	-						registra	tion
8.4	TYPE C	OF COMPAN	IY/ FIR	М					
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8.5	DESCR	IBE PRINCI	PAL B	JSINESS	ACTIVI	TIES			
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8.6	Ma Su Pr Ot	ANY CLASSI anufacturer upplier ofessional s ther service PPLICABLE BC	ervice provide	provider	ansporte	r, etc.			
8.7		number s:	of	years	the	company/firm	has	been	in

- 8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:
 - i) The information furnished is true and correct;
 - ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
 - iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
 - iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have
 - (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
 - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES	
1	SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)
2	DATE: ADDRESS
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DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2 It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- 3 The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have
 - a. abused the institution's supply chain management system;
 - b. committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
 - c. failed to perform on any previous contract.
- 4 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

ltem	Question	Yes	No
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector? (Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the restriction after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied). The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury's website(www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.	Yes	0 N
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)? The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.	Yes	No
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes	No
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes	No □
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

SBD 8

CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME).....

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT, IN ADDITION TO CANCELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of Bidder
Position	Name of Bidder

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- 2 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 3 Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
 - a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
 - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
- 4 This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
- 5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

SBD 9

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

¹ Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.

² Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

I certify, on behalf

of:_____

(Name of Bidder)

that:

- 1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
- 2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
- Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
- 5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:

(a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;

- (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
- provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder

SBD 9

The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.

7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:

(a)prices;

- (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
- (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
- (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
- (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
- (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
- 8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

SBD 9

10. I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted

³ Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

SignatureDate

.....

Position Name of Bidder

Annexure F

Bidders are required to include, as Annexure F to their Bids, certified copies of all relevant CIPC registration documents listing all members with percentages, in the case of a close corporation Annexure G

Bidders are required, as annexure G to their Bids, to submit certified copies of the latest share certificates of all relevant companies

Annexure H

Bidders which submit Bids as an unincorporated joint venture, consortium or other association of persons are required to submit, as Annexure H, a breakdown of how the percentage (%) fees and work will be split between the various people or entities which constitute the Bidder. Annexure I

Bidders are required to include, as Annexure I to their Bids, supporting documents to their responses to the Pre- Qualifying Criteria and Evaluation Criteria.

Where the supporting document is the profile of a member of the Bidder's proposed team, this should be indicated.

Annexure J

[General Conditions of Contract]

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO READ THROUGH THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT PRESCRIBED BY THE NATIONAL TREASURY. SUCH GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT CAN BE ACCESSED ON THE NATIONAL TREASURY WEBSITE.

PLEASE NOTE FURTHER THAT ALL BIDDERS MUST ENSURE THAT THEY ARE WELL ACQUINTED WITH THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF ALL PARTIES INVOLVED IN DOING BUSINESS WITH GOVERNMENT.

NOTE: All Bidders are required to confirm (*Tick applicable box*) below:

ltem	YES	NO
Is the Bidder familiar with the General Conditions of Contract prescribed by the National Treasury?		

Annexure K

Tax Compliant Status and CSD Registration Requirements All PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS MUST HAVE A TAX COMPLIANT STATUS EITHER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) OF THE NATIONAL TREASURY OR SARS E FILING PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT/AWARD OF THE BID.

REGISTRATION ON THE CSD SITE OF THE NATIONAL TREASURY IS A COMPULSORY REQUIREMENT FOR A BIDDER TO BE APPOINTED, TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH THE DBSA. THE ONUS IS ON THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER TO REGISTER ON THE CSD SITE AND PROVIDE PROOF OF SUCH REGISTRATION PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT/AWARD OF THE BID.

CSD Registration Number:



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Declaration of Undertaking

Reference name of the Application/Offer/Contract:

("Contract")¹

To:

("Project Executing Agency")

- 1. We recognise and accept that KfW only finances projects of the Project Executing Agency ("PEA")² subject to its own conditions which are set out in the Funding Agreement it has entered into with the PEA. As a matter of consequence, no legal relationship exists between KfW and our company, our Joint Venture or our Subcontractors under the Contract. The PEA retains exclusive responsibility for the preparation and implementation of the Tender Process and the performance of the Contract.
- 2. We hereby certify that neither we nor any of our board members or legal representatives nor any other member of our Joint Venture including Subcontractors under the Contract are in any of the following situations:
 - 2.1) being bankrupt, wound up or ceasing our activities, having our activities administered by courts, having entered into receivership, reorganization or being in any analogous situation;
 - 2.2) convicted by a final judgement or a final administrative decision or subject to financial sanctions by the United Nations, the European Union or Germany for involvement in a criminal organization, money laundering, terrorist-related offences, child labor or trafficking in human beings; this criterion of exclusion is also applicable to legal Persons, whose majority of shares are held or factually controlled by natural or legal Persons which themselves are subject to such convictions or sanctions;
 - 2.3) having been convicted by a final court decision or a final administrative decision by a court, the European Union, national authorities in the Partner Country or in Germany for Sanctionable Practice in connection with a Tender Process or the performance of a Contract or for an irregularity affecting the EU's financial interests (*in the event of such a conviction, the Applicant or Bidder shall attach to this Declaration of Undertaking supporting information showing that this conviction is not relevant in the context of this Contract and that adequate compliance measures have been taken in reaction*);
 - 2.4) having been subject within the past five years to a contract termination fully settled against us for significant or persistent failure to comply with our contractual obligations during such contract performance, unless this termination was challenged and dispute resolution is still pending or has not confirmed a full settlement against us;
 - 2.5) not having fulfilled applicable fiscal obligations regarding payments of taxes either in the country where we are constituted or the PEA's country;
 - 2.6) being subject to an exclusion decision of the World Bank or any other multilateral development bank and being listed on the website <u>http://www.worldbank.org/debarr</u> or respectively on the relevant list of any other multilateral development bank *(in the event of such exclusion, the Applicant or Bidder shall attach to this Declaration of*

¹ Capitalised terms used, but not otherwise defined in this Declaration of Undertaking have the meaning given to such term in KfW's "Guidelines for the Procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Goods, Plant and Non-Consulting Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries".

² The PEA means the purchaser, the employer, the client, as the case may be, for the procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Plant, Goods or Non-Consulting Services.

Undertaking supporting information showing that this exclusion is not relevant in the context of this Contract and that adequate compliance measures have been taken in reaction); or

- 2.7) being guilty of misrepresentation in supplying the information required as a condition of participation in the Tender.
- 3. We hereby certify that neither we, nor any of the members of our Joint Venture or any of our Subcontractors under the Contract are in any of the following situations of conflict of interest:
 - 3.1) being an affiliate controlled by the PEA or a shareholder controlling the PEA, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of KfW and resolved to its satisfaction;
 - 3.2) having a business or family relationship with a PEA's staff involved in the Tender Process or the supervision of the resulting Contract, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of KfW and resolved to its satisfaction;
 - 3.3) being controlled by or controlling another Applicant or Bidder, or being under common control with another Applicant or Bidder, or receiving from or granting subsidies directly or indirectly to another Applicant or Bidder, having the same legal representative as another Applicant or Bidder, maintaining direct or indirect contacts with another Applicant or Bidder which allows us to have or give access to information contained in the respective Applications or Offers, influencing them or influencing decisions of the PEA;
 - 3.4) being engaged in a Consulting Services activity, which, by its nature, may be in conflict with the assignments that we would carry out for the PEA;
 - 3.5) in the case of procurement of Works, Plant or Goods:
 - i. having prepared or having been associated with a Person who prepared specifications, drawings, calculations and other documentation to be used in the Tender Process of this Contract;
 - ii. having been recruited (or being proposed to be recruited) ourselves or any of our affiliates, to carry out works supervision or inspection for this Contract;
- 4. If we are a state-owned entity, and compete in a Tender Process, we certify that we have legal and financial autonomy and that we operate under commercial laws and regulations.
- 5. We undertake to bring to the attention of the PEA, which will inform KfW, any change in situation with regard to points 2 to 4 here above.
- 6. In the context of the Tender Process and performance of the corresponding Contract:
 - 6.1) neither we nor any of the members of our Joint Venture nor any of our Subcontractors under the Contract have engaged or will engage in any Sanctionable Practice during the Tender Process and in the case of being awarded a Contract will engage in any Sanctionable Practice during the performance of the Contract;
 - 6.2) neither we nor any of the members of our Joint Venture or any of our Subcontractors under the Contract shall acquire or supply any equipment nor operate in any sectors under an embargo of the United Nations, the European Union or Germany; and
 - 6.3) we commit ourselves to complying with and ensuring that our Subcontractors and major suppliers under the Contract comply with international environmental and labor standards, consistent with laws and regulations applicable in the country of implementation of the Contract and the fundamental conventions of the International

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Labor Organisation³ (ILO) and international environmental treaties. Moreover, we shall implement environmental and social risks mitigation measures when specified in the relevant environmental and social management plans or other similar documents provided by the PEA and, in any case, implement measures to prevent sexual exploitation and abuse and gender based violence.

- 7. In the case of being awarded a Contract, we, as well as all members of our Joint Venture partners and Subcontractors under the Contract will, (i) upon request, provide information relating to the Tender Process and the performance of the Contract and (ii) permit the PEA and KfW or an agent appointed by either of them, and in the case of financing by the European Union also to European institutions having competence under European Union law, to inspect the respective accounts, records and documents, to permit on-the-spot checks and to ensure access to sites and the respective project.
- 8. In the case of being awarded a Contract, we, as well as all our Joint Venture partners and Subcontractors under the Contract undertake to preserve above mentioned records and documents in accordance with applicable law, but in any case for at least six years from the date of fulfillment or termination of the Contract. Our financial transactions and financial statements shall be subject to auditing procedures in accordance with applicable law. Furthermore, we accept that our data (including personal data) generated in connection with the preparation and implementation of the Tender Process and the performance of the Contract are stored and processed according to the applicable law by the PEA and KfW.

Duly empowered to sign in the name and on behalf of⁴: _____

Signature:

Dated:

- 3 In case ILO conventions have not been fully ratified or implemented in the Employer's country the Applicant/Bidder/Contractor shall, to the satisfaction of the Employer and KfW, propose and implement appropriate measures in the spirit of the said ILO conventions with respect to a) workers grievances on working conditions and terms of employment, b) child labour, c) forced labour, d) worker's organisations and e) non-discrimination.
- 14 In the case of a JV, insert the name of the JV. The person who will sign the application, bid or proposal on behalf of the Applicant/Bidder shall attach a power of attorney from the Applicant/Bidder.