



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (“RFP”)

APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER OR INDEPENDENT ICT CONSULTANTS FOR THE PROVISION OF OUTSOURCED ICT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS



Bid Number	EWSETA/RFP/23/2020
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1. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Energy and Water Sector Education and Training Authority (“EWSETA”) is a statutory body established through the Skills Development Act of 1998 to enable its stakeholders to advance the national and global position of the energy and water sectors in the large, medium, small levy paying and non- levy paying companies across the sector.

This was as a result of government commitment to promote active labour market policies and is demonstrated in the Skills Development Act of 1998 and the Skills Development Levies Act of 1999. As guided by its mandate, the EWSETA is an agent of transformation by promoting employment equity and broad-based black economic empowerment (B-BBEE) through skills development. In this context, the EWSETA is keen to form sustainable partnerships and/or collaborations that will further promote its support for transformation.

EWSETA's ICT and Facilities Branch provides information and communication technologies (ICT) to the organisation as a key enabler to promote an efficient and integrated working environment for both internal and external users.

2. PURPOSE

The Energy and Water Sector Education and Training Authority (EWSETA) hereby invites reputable ICT service providers and/or independent ICT consultants who have extensive experience in providing ICT support services and on-premises resources.

3. SCOPE OF WORK

EWSETA invites reputable ICT service providers and independent ICT consultants who have extensive experience in providing ICT support services and on-premises resources for the following positions:

RESOURCES REQUIRED	EXPERIENCE LEVEL	TERM
Senior Programmer	Senior	3 Years
Server Support Technician	Middle	3 Years

The ICT support service requirements are outlined in more detail below. The successful bidder will be required to provide EWSETA with the following services:

- Server room management,
- Network management,
- Printing and scanning services,
- Desktop support,
- Corporate messaging and unified messaging,
- VoIP telephony system,
- Azure cloud services,
- Enterprise resource planning (ERP) applications,
- Management Information Systems (MIS),
- Corporate Website and Stakeholder Portal,
- Online learning and webinar services,
- Digital document management.

With the head office located in Parktown, Johannesburg, EWSETA employs 67 staff members and 15 external Board Members. EWSETA also has provincial offices located in the Free State (Bloemfontein), Western Cape (Cape Town), and North West (Brits and Mafikeng) with one or two staff members at each office. Provincial offices will be remotely supported from Head Office where the resources will be primarily based.

3.1. Detailed technical specifications

3.1.1 Server Support Technician specifications

FUNCTION	DESCRIPTION	SERVICE REQUIRED
Server Room Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hardware <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dell Server Farm ▪ Operating Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2019 • Ubuntu 18.04 ▪ Application and Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active Directory Services • Hypervisor • Apache ▪ Other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fibre Internet • Domain Name Services • Firewall Security • Anti-virus • 3rd Party applications 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hardware and software support and maintenance. ▪ System monitoring and general housekeeping. ▪ Storage and capacity planning. ▪ Backup and recovery. ▪ Disaster recovery planning and execution. ▪ 3rd party vendor management on faults. ▪ Component replacement on failure. ▪ License management. ▪ Reporting.
Network Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Wireless <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cisco ▪ Local Area Network ▪ Remote and Teleworking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Share APN Mobile Data 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Network hardware and software support and maintenance. ▪ Network security management. ▪ LAN and WAN administration. ▪ Network installations, de-installations and upgrades. ▪ Reporting.
Printing and Scanning Services	Managed by 3 rd party.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Management, administration, and support of Printer and Scanning system. ▪ Reporting.
Corporate Unified Messaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Application and Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office 365 E5 • Social Networking Tools. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Management, administration, maintenance and support of office 365 E5. ▪ Mobile device synchronization and support. ▪ License management. ▪ Reporting.
VoIP Telephony System	Infrastructure managed by 3 rd party.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Management, administration, maintenance and support of VoIP telephony system. ▪ Reporting.
Cloud Services	Azure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Operating Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Windows Server 2019 • Ubuntu 18.04 ▪ Office 365 E5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Active Directory Services ▪ Exchange ▪ SharePoint ▪ Power BI ▪ Teams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Management, administration, maintenance and support of Azure and Office 365 E5 cloud services. ▪ Reporting.

3.1.2 Programmer Support specifications

FUNCTION	DESCRIPTION	SERVICE REQUIRED
Enterprise Resource Planning	ERP system is custom developed on the ODOO framework.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PYTHON / PHP / JAVA programming knowledge. ▪ Management, administration, maintenance and support of ERP system. ▪ Postgres/MySQL and SQL experience. ▪ SDLC experience.
MIS and Reporting Systems	MIS system is custom developed on the ODOO framework.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PYTHON / PHP / JAVA programming knowledge. ▪ Management, administration, maintenance and support of ERP system. ▪ Postgres / MySQL / Oracle and SQL experience. ▪ Jaspersoft / Power BI. ▪ Oracle Weblogic, Oracle J Developer, Data analytics experience.
Corporate Website and Stakeholder Portal	<p>Website is custom developed on the Wordpress framework.</p> <p>Stakeholder portal is custom developed on the ODOO framework.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PYTHON / PHP / JAVA programming knowledge. ▪ Management, administration, maintenance and support of ERP system. ▪ Postgres/MySQL and SQL experience. ▪ Front end development / CSS / HTML5
Online Learning and Webinar Services	E-Learning system is custom developed on the Moodle framework.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ PYTHON / PHP / JAVA programming knowledge. ▪ Management, administration, maintenance and support of ERP system. ▪ Postgres/MySQL and SQL experience.
Digital Document Management	Digital Document Management system is custom developed on the SharePoint framework.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SharePoint development experience ▪ Management, administration, maintenance and support of Document Management system.

4. EVALUATION CRITERIA

4.1 Stage 1: Pre-Qualification Criteria

4.1.1 Submission of Compulsory Documents:

Prospective service providers must comply with the requirements and submit all required document(s) indicated hereunder with the bid documents at the closing date and time of bid. This phase is not scored and bidders who fail to comply with all the mandatory criteria will be disqualified.

4.1.1.1 Prospective bidders are required to provide proof of registration with the Central Supplier Database by submitting the CSD report. In case of a Joint Venture, each party must provide proof of registration with CSD. Individual consultants are also required to be registered on csd in their individual capacity and proof of registration must be submitted.

4.1.1.2 Completed and signed Standard Bidding Documents attached to the bid.

4.1.1.3 In case of a Joint Venture, a written agreement between the parties which must clearly set out the roles and responsibilities of each member and include a resolution of each company of the Joint Venture together with a resolution by its members authorizing a member of the Joint Venture to sign the documents on behalf of the Joint Venture.

4.1.2 Non-compulsory documents

Prospective service providers must comply with the requirements and submit all required document(s) indicated hereunder with the bid documents at the closing date and time of bid. This phase is not scored and bidders who fail to comply with all the mandatory criteria may be disqualified.

4.1.1.4 Submit a valid Tax Clearance Certificate/ Tax Pin Certified copy of B-BBEE Certificate. A prospective service provider must ensure that their tax matters are in order in line with the Treasury Regulations and reflect accordingly on CSD. It is therefore a condition of this bid that the tax matters of the bidder be in order at the time of award. Failure of the bidder for not complying with their tax matters at the time of award will result in the bidder being disqualified.

4.1.1.5 A Joint Venture will qualify for the B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the legal entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate. Failure on the part of the bidder to comply with the above will be deemed that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed and will therefore be allocated a zero (0) points.

4.2 Stage 2: Technical/Functionality Stage

An assessment of functionality will be based on the evaluation criteria noted in the table below.

Each of the evaluation criteria in the table will carry a weighting as indicated, and the bidder will be required to score a minimum of 75 points (out of the 100 points), i.e. 75%, for Functionality in order to qualify and proceed to Stage 3 of the evaluation process.

4.2.1 CRITERIA

The bidder is to meet the below criteria. The criteria applies to both corporate entities and individual consultants as follows:

- Each team member (position) will be assessed separately and are expected to respond to each element shown below and meet the minimum functionality score of 75 points in total in order to proceed to the next stage of evaluation (skills assessment/interviews).
- The scores awarded for: proposed methodology and approach, detailed project, to each team member individually.

Criteria	Scoring	Weighted score
Proposed methodology and approach must indicate an understanding of outsourced management functions in line with the scope of work.	<p>The outsourced management proposal contains all requirements as per scope of work = 10 points</p> <p>Proposal partially addresses the requirements as per the scope of work = 5 points</p> <p>Proposal does not address the requirements as per the scope of work = 0 points</p>	10
The bidder must provide a detailed project plan on the induction and hand-over process.	<p>Project plan indicates activities and timeframes that adhere to the terms of reference. It also includes alignment of resources to each activity and the resource/s that will undertake each activity = 10 points</p> <p>Project plan partially indicates activities and timeframes that adhere to the terms of reference = 5 points</p> <p>No project plan in place = 0 points</p>	10

<p>Reference letters from different clients as evidence of related work previously conducted and also clearly denoting the team members involved in the project.</p> <p>Individual consultants may also provide reference letters of work previously done.</p> <p>NB: The Reference Letter(s) must not be older than 5 years, must be on the letterhead of the previously serviced client and should reflect at least the name of the client, title of the related work conducted, year(s) conducted and completed, contactable reference name and contact details, and be signed by the appropriate delegate. The Reference Letter should indicate the quality of the service rendered.</p>	<p>3 relevant Reference Letters attached = 30 points 2 relevant Reference Letters attached = 20 points 1 relevant Reference Letter attached = 10 points</p> <p>No or unsatisfactory reference letter(s) attached = 0 points</p>	30
<p>Curriculum Vitae(s) and qualifications/professional certification of each team member and/or bidder accreditation.</p>	<p>Qualifications/Certifications Relevant qualification/certificate = 25 points</p> <p>No or irrelevant qualification/certificate = 0 points</p>	25
<p>Bidders must attach relevant certified copies of highest qualifications/certificate. Certification may not be older than 3 months.</p> <p>IMPORTANT NOTICE:</p> <p>Uncertified qualification/professional certificates will not be accepted as authentic. Foreign qualifications are required to be accompanied by a SAQA evaluation certificate.</p> <p>Experience: The potential bidder must attach brief CVs and proof of registration of the team members.</p>	<p>Experience for each team member</p> <p>Senior level 8+ years relevant experience = 25 points 5-7 years of relevant experience = 15 points Less than 5 years = 0 points</p> <p>Middle level 5+ years of relevant experience = 25 points 4 years relevant experience = 15 points Less than 3 years = 0 points</p>	25
<p>TOTAL</p>		100

4.2.2 Skills Assessment / Interviews of Shortlisted Candidates

EWSETA will request for interviews or conduct a technical skills assessment for short-listed candidates as part of the bid evaluation process. Minimum pass rate of 75 points will be required for each candidate to be considered for Stage 3: Pricing of the evaluation process.

4.3 Stage 3: Pricing and Preference Points Stage

4.3.1 Preference Points

For purpose of evaluating preference points, the following preference point systems will be applicable to all bids whereby preference points shall be awarded for Price; and B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution.

- The points scored in respect of B-BBEE contribution will be added to the points scored for price.
- The following formula will be used to calculate the points for Price:

$$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$$

Where

P_s = Points scored for comparative price of proposal or quotation

P_t = Comparative price of proposal or offer

P_{\min} = Comparative price of lowest acceptable proposal or offer

The following table must be used to calculate the score out of 20 for BBEE

B-BBEE Status Level of contributor	Number of points 80/20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

Bidders are required to submit original and valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates or certified copies thereof together with their bids, to substantiate their B-BBEE rating claims. A tenderer failing to submit proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor or is a non-compliant contributor to B-BBEE may not be disqualified, but may only score points out of 80 for price; and scores 0 points out of 20 for B-BBEE.

A trust, consortium or joint venture must submit a consolidated B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate for every separate bidder.

A bidder will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

1.3.1 Financial Proposal

Financial proposals will be compared on the basis of their total amount inclusive of VAT and all other related costs per team member. Bidders are required to submit financial proposals as per the table below on a company letterhead.

Pricing schedule is compulsory and failure to complete it same in the prescribed manner without alterations, as per the table below, and without alterations may result in disqualification of the bid pricing proposal during the financial evaluation stage.

ITEM	TEAM REQUIRED	EXPERIENCE LEVEL	TERM	QUANTITY	YEAR 1 MONTHLY COST (Including VAT)	YEAR 2 MONTHLY COST (Including VAT)	YEAR 3 MONTHLY COST (Including VAT)	TOTAL COST OVER 3 YEARS (Including VAT)
1.	Senior Programmer	Senior	3 Years	1	R	R	R	R
2.	Server Support Technician	Middle	3 Years	1	R	R	R	R

The rates MUST be all-inclusive and must be capped at 168 hours per month. This means all direct and indirect related costs must be included. Note that failure to propose the rates will render the entire bid as non-responsive and will result in the bidder scoring zero out of 80 points achievable on the price criteria.

Only firm prices will be accepted. Non-firm prices (including prices subject to rates of exchange variations) will not be considered. Travel costs on EWSETA assignments will be incurred by EWSETA and not to the bidders account.

5. NOTES TO BIDDERS

Outlined below are basic requirements that each bid must comply with. Failure of any bid to meet any or all of these requirements may disqualify such a bid from the evaluation process:

- 5.1 A prospective service provider must ensure that their tax matters are in order in line with the Treasury Regulations and reflect accordingly on CSD. It is therefore a condition of this bid that the tax matters of the bidder be in order at the time of award. Failure of the bidder for not complying with their tax matters at the time of award will result in the bidder being disqualified.
- 5.2 The EWSETA will not be liable to reimburse any costs incurred by applicants in preparing their proposals.
- 5.3 EWSETA does not bind itself into making an appointment from proposals and offers received.
- 5.4 EWSETA reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to cancel this request for proposals, presentations and price or not to make any appointment at all.
- 5.5 EWSETA will not make upfront payments.
- 5.6 Successful bidder must undertake to abide by the confidentiality undertakings contained in the agreement to be concluded;
- 5.7 The successful bidder will be informed of the outcome. A contract will only be deemed to be concluded when reduced to writing and signed by the designated responsible person of both parties (duly authorised). The designated responsible person of the EWSETA is the Chief Executive Officer or his written authorised delegate.
- 5.8 A probation period of 90 days will apply to the agreement.
- 5.9 The EWSETA undertakes to pay valid invoices in full within 30 (thirty) days if all supporting documents are submitted.
- 5.10 The service level agreement will be reviewed annually upon anniversary date.
- 5.11 Please note that any plagiarism of any sort contained within any bid or any other documents submitted to the EWSETA by any bidder will result in the disqualification of the respective bidder.
- 5.12 EWSETA may request clarification or further information regarding any aspect of the bidder. The bidder must provide the requested information within forty-eight (48) hours after the request has been made; otherwise the bidder may be disqualified.
- 5.13 In the absence of the individual a suitable replacement must be organised a week prior to the absence.
- 5.14 Scheduled outages, after hours or weekends. Must be part of total costs and NOT additional cost.

6. SUB-CONTRACTING

A tenderer will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the tender documents that such a tenderer intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a tenderer qualifies for unless the intended sub-contractor is an exempted micro-enterprise that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.



7. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

Bidders are required to submit their bids to the following address;

EWSETA
Building B, Ground Floor – reception
32 Princess of Wales Terrace
Sunnyside Office Park
Parktown
2193

The following information must be endorsed on the envelope:

- Bid number
- Title of the bid
- Name of bidder

Bidders are required to submit their proposals in two (2) sealed envelopes in the following format:

Envelope 1: Technical Proposal

Marked with the name of the bidder, contact details, company address, closing date, and Titled: Technical Proposal for EWSETA Tender No: **EWSETA/RFP/23/2020**

Envelope 2: Price and valid BEE Certificate Proposal:

Marked with name of bidder, contact details, company address closing date, and titled

Price Proposal and Valid BEE Certificate for EWSETA Tender No: **EWSETA/RFP/23/2020**

8. CLOSING DATE OF PROPOSAL

A comprehensive proposal together with pricing schedule must reach EWSETA by no later than **TUESDAY 09 MARCH 2020 not later than 11H00**. Please note that no late proposals will be considered.

9. TENDER VALIDITY

This RFP shall be valid for 90 days calculated from bid closing date.

10. FRAUD HOT-LINE

EWSETA subscribes to fair and just administrative processes. EWSETA, therefore, urges its clients, suppliers and the general public to report any fraud or corruption to:

EWSETA TIP-OFFS ANONYMOUS
Free Call: 0800 611 205
Email: ewseta@tip-offs.com
Or visit their website www.tip-offs.com

11. ANNEXURE 1: SBD1

**PART A
INVITATION TO BID**

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE ENERGY & WATER SECTOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING AUTHORITY					
BID NUMBER:	EWSETA/RFP/23/2020	CLOSING DATE:	09 March 2020	CLOSING TIME:	11:00HOURS
DESCRIPTION	APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER OR INDEPENDENT ICT CONSULTANTS FOR THE PROVISION OF OUTSOURCED ICT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS				
THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).					

BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)

SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
	TCS PIN:		OR	CSD No:	
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
IF YES, WHO WAS THE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY?					
AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA) AND NAME THE APPLICABLE IN THE TICK BOX	<input type="checkbox"/>	AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA)			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	A VERIFICATION AGENCY ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCREDITATION SYSTEM (SANAS)			
	<input type="checkbox"/>	A REGISTERED AUDITOR			
		NAME:			



[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/SWORN AFFIDAVIT(FOR EMEs& QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]

ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]	ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ANSWER PART B:3 BELOW]
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER	DATE	
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED (Attach proof of authority to sign this bid; e.g. resolution of directors, etc.)			
TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS OFFERED		TOTAL BID PRICE (ALL INCLUSIVE)	
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:	
DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY	EWSETA	CONTACT PERSON	Mr. Atulkumar Patel
CONTACT PERSON	MPHO MAPHUTI	TELEPHONE NUMBER	011 274 4700
TELEPHONE NUMBER	011 274 4700	FACSIMILE NUMBER	
FACSIMILE NUMBER		E-MAIL ADDRESS	scmadmin@ewseta.org.za
E-MAIL ADDRESS	scmadmin@ewseta.org.za		

PART B

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. 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)? YES NO
- 3.2. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA? YES NO
- 3.3. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? YES NO
- 3.4. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? YES NO

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.

12. ANNEXURE 2: EWSETA GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PURCHASE

General

EWSETA and the Supplier enter into an order/contract on these conditions to supply the items (goods/services/works) as described in the order/contract.

Conditions

These conditions form the basis of the contract between EWSETA and the Supplier. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any document issued or sent by the Supplier, these conditions apply except as expressly agreed in writing by EWSETA. No servant or agent of EWSETA has the authority to vary these conditions orally. These general conditions of purchase are subject to such further special conditions as may be prescribed in writing by EWSETA in the order/contract.

Price and payment

The price or rates for the items stated in the order/contract may include an amount for price adjustment, which is calculated in accordance with the formula stated in the order/contract. The Supplier may be paid in one currency other than South African Rand. Only one exchange rate is used to convert from this currency to South African Rand. Payment to the Supplier in this currency other than South African Rand, does not exceed the amounts stated in the order/contract. EWSETA pays for the item within 30 days of receipt of the Supplier's correct tax invoice.

Delivery and documents

The Supplier's obligation is to deliver the items on or before the date stated in the order/contract. Late deliveries or late completion of the items may be subject to a penalty if this is imposed in the order/contract. No payment is made if the Supplier does not provide the item as stated in order/contract.

Where items are to be delivered to the Supplier:

Clearly marks the outside of each consignment or package with the Supplier's name and full details of the destination in accordance with the order and includes a packing note stating the contents thereof; On dispatch of each consignment, sends to EWSETA at the address for delivery of the items, an advice note specifying the means of transport, weight, number of volume as appropriate and the point and date of dispatch; Sends to EWSETA a detailed priced invoice as soon as is reasonably practical after dispatch of the items, and states on all communications in respect of the order number and code number (if any).

Containers/packing material

Unless otherwise stated in the order/contract, no payment is made for containers or packing materials or return to the Supplier.

Title and risk

Without prejudice to rights of rejection under these conditions, title to and risk in the items passes to EWSETA when accepted by EWSETA.

Rejection

If the Supplier fails to comply with his obligations under the order/contract, EWSETA may reject any part of the items by giving written notice to the Supplier specifying the reason for rejection and whether and within what period replacement of items or re-work are required.

In the case of items delivered, EWSETA may return the rejected items to the Supplier at the Supplier's risk and expense. Any money paid to the Supplier in respect of the items not replaced within the time required, together with the costs of returning rejected items to the Supplier and obtaining replacement items from a third party, are paid by the Supplier to EWSETA.

In the case of service, the Supplier corrects non-conformances as indicated by EWSETA.

Warranty

Without prejudice to any other rights of EWSETA under these conditions, the Supplier warrants that the items are in accordance with EWSETA's requirements, and fit for the purpose for which they are intended, and will remain free from defects for a period of one year (unless another period is stated in the Order) from acceptance of the items by EWSETA.

Indemnity

The Supplier indemnifies EWSETA against all actions, suits, claims, demands, costs, charges and expenses arising in connection therewith arising from the negligence, infringement of intellectual or legal rights or breach of statutory duty of the Supplier, his subcontractors, agents or servants, or from the Supplier's defective design, materials or workmanship.

The Supplier indemnifies EWSETA against claims, proceedings, compensation and costs payable arising out of infringement by the Supplier of the rights of others, except an infringement that arose out of the use by the Supplier of things provided by EWSETA.

Assignment and sub-contracting

The Supplier may not assign or subcontract any part of this order/contract without the written consent of EWSETA.

Termination

EWSETA may terminate the order/contract at any time (without prejudice to any right of action or remedy which has accrued or thereafter accrues to EWSETA):

If the Supplier defaults in due performance of the order/contract, or if the Supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise is, in the opinion of EWSETA, in such financial circumstances as to prejudice the proper performance of the order/contract, or for any other reason in which case the Supplier will be compensated for all costs incurred.

Governing law

The order/contract is governed by the law of the Republic of South Africa and the parties hereby submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the South African courts.

13. ANNEXURE 3: SBD4



DECLARATION OF INTEREST

1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state*, 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 and/or take an oath declaring his/her interest, 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:

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2.2 Identity Number:

.....

2.3 Position occupied in the Company (director, shareholder, etc):

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2.4 Company Registration Number:

.....

2.5 Tax Reference Number:

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2.6 VAT Registration Number:

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* "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);

14. ANNEXURE 4: SBD 6.1

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

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.

2.3 GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 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

1.2 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

2.

2.3 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) Price; and
- (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.

2.3 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

2.2.1 **Price - 80**

2.2.2 **B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor- 20**

2.2.3 **Total points for Price and B-BBEE - 100**

2.3 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.

2.4 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.

3. 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 bidder to provide goods or services in accordance with specifications as set out in the tender/ RFQ 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;

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

4.1 THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 points is allocated for price on the following basis:
80/20

$$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$$

Where

P_s = Points scored for price of bid under consideration

P_t = Price of bid under consideration

P_{\min} = Price of lowest acceptable bid

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

5.1 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)

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

6. BID DECLARATION

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

7. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 4.1 AND 5.1

7.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor:=(maximum of 20 points)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 5.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor

8. SUB-CONTRACTING

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

(Tick applicable box)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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8.1.1 If yes, indicate:

- i. What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted.....%
- ii. The name of the sub-contractor contractor.....
- iii. The B-BBEE status level of sub-contractor
- iv. Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE

(Tick applicable box)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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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 least 51% owned by:	EME	QSE
	√	√
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		

9. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

9.1 Name of company/firm:

9.2 VAT registration number:

9.3 Company registration number:

9.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- One person business/sole propriety
- Close corporation
- Company
- (Pty) Limited

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

9.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- Manufacturer
- Supplier
- Professional service provider
- Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]



9.6 Total number of years the company/firm has been in business.....

9.7 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.

2.

.....
SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)

DATE:

ADDRESS

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15. ANNEXURE 5: SBD 8

DECLARATION OF BIDDER’S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

The order/contract is governed by the law of the Republic of South Africa and the parties hereby submit to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the South African courts.

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

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	<p>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?</p> <p>(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).</p> <p><i>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.</i></p>	Yes	No
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)? <i>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.</i>	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: <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		
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:		

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

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

16. ANNEXURE 6: SBD 9

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 a 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:

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.



CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

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: that: (Name of Bidder)

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;
4. 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
 - c. provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
6. 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. the 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.

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.

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 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.

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 Signature Date

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 Position Name of Bidder