

Invitation for Bids (IFB)

National Competitive Bidding (NCB)

PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT AND CONSOLIDATION PROJECT

Credit Nr. 53300-SL

Supply, Installation and configuration of Revenue System Infrastructure (ASYCUDA WORLD, ITAS and Revenue Reconciliation)

Non-Consultancy Services

IFB No: SL-MOFED-42206-NC-RFB

Date of Issue: 16th January, 2018

1. This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that appeared in UNDB online on the 19th September, 2014.
2. The Government of Sierra Leone has received funds from the International Development Association (IDA) of the World Bank, Multi-Donor Trust Funds (MDTF), European Union (EU), DFID and pool funding from the AfDB toward the cost of Public Financial Management Improvement and Consolidation Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of these funds to payments under the agreement resulting from this **IFB No: : SL-MOFED-42206-NC-RFB**
3. The Public Financial Management Improvement and Consolidation Project serves Collaboration with National Revenue Authority now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the Supply, Installation and Configuration of Revenue System Infrastructure (ASYCUDA WORLD, ITAS and Revenue Reconciliation).
4. Bidding will be conducted using the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: *Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits* (Dated January, 2011, revised 2014) and is open to all Bidders from eligible bidders as defined in the Guidelines that meet the following minimum qualification criteria:
 - i. Audited Financial Statements for the past 3 Years with an annual turnover of USD 500,000
 - ii. Power of Attorney
 - iii. Joint Venture Agreement (where applicable)
 - iv. Bid Security of Thirty- Eight Thousand US Dollars (USD \$ 38,000) or its equivalent in a freely convertible currency.

v. Evidence of undertaking one similar assignment of the same magnitude within the last five (5) years. Note: Letter(s) of reference/copy of signed contract from the purchaser must be provided.

In addition to the above, such documents are required from bidders.

- A certified true copy of a valid Business Registration certificate or business license in conformity with the provision of the laws of the country of the bidder.
- A certified and up to date true copy of a valid Tax Clearance Certificate from the relevant authority in conformity with the provision of the laws of the country of the bidder.
- A certified and up to date true copy of NASSIT

SKILLS, COMPETENCIES, EXPERIENCES FOR INSTALLATION

The bidding 'Contractor' must provide as part of post qualification criteria a senior technical expert with at least have implemented one operational similar infrastructure and three years' intensive work experience in implementing complex infrastructure for high availability and certificates in each of the domains required by each equipment installation. One consultant may handle more than one domain as long as he/she has the requested certification(s):

- Unified Threat Management appliances and network security appliances proposed
- CISCO equipment and CISCO IOS and other network equipment
- Network Security
- Microsoft Windows Server and Microsoft Network & Security Services
- Linux Red Hat Enterprise

Detailed CV with proof of experience or certification needs to be provided. Experts should provide evidence of at least 3-years' experience in enterprise wide system architecture design, implementation and support, or being a certified trainer or certified solutions provider.

5. Interested and eligible Bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the address below.

6. A complete set of bidding documents in **English** may be purchased by interested Bidders on the submission of a written application at the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of One Hundred United States Dollars (\$100) or an equivalent of **Le760,000.00 (Seven Hundred and Sixty Thousand Leones)**

The method of payment will be by Bank transfer, Wire transfer and Direct payment in the Account listed below:

Account number: 003001014156030144

Account Name: Public Financial Management Improvement and Consolidation Project.

Bank: Sierra Leone Commercial Bank, Siaka Stevens Street, Freetown, Sierra Leone

Swift Code: SLCBSLFR

Correspondent Bank: Crown Agent Bank Ltd., London

US\$ Account Nr: 33445101

GBP Account Nr: 33445001
EUR Account Nr: 33445401
Swift BIC: CR ASGB 2L

The documents may be collected by hand at the address below or sent by electronic mail at no additional cost or sent in hard copy by courier to an address specified by the bidders in their written application at an additional non-refundable cost of **US\$150** for overseas deliveries for bidders who select this mode of transmission.

7. Sealed Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **Tuesday 13th February, 2018 at 1100 Hours GMT**. Electronic bidding will **not be** permitted. *The amount of Bid Security required is Thirty-Eight Thousand United States Dollars (US\$38,000) or its equivalent in a freely convertible currency.* Late bids will be rejected.

Bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at **Main Conference Hall, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development, Treasury Building George Street, Freetown, Sierra Leone on Tuesday 13th February, 2018 at 1100 Hours GMT**. The bids shall remain valid for **120 days** starting from the deadline of their submission.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office **hours 9:00 to 5:00 Hours, Sierra Leone time**. Clarification request shall be in writing and sent before the deadline stated in the BDS. **To apply for a soft copy of the Bidding Documents, suppliers shall attach to their request, evidence of payment for the hard copy. Bidders shall NOT submit bid by e-mail. Sealed bids shall be submitted to:**

**The Senior Deputy Financial Secretary (Fiscal Operations)
Ministry of Finance and Economic Development
George Street
Freetown, Sierra Leone**

E-mail: ipau.mofed@gmail.com