

**REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)****Title of the EOI:**

Rations Management System (RMS)

Date of this EOI: 22 October 2009**Closing Date for Receipt of EOI at PD:** 18 December 2009**EOI Number:** EOIRK5193**E-mail Address:** kuchler@un.org**Address EOI response by fax for the Attention of:** Greg Kuchler**Fax Number:** 212 963 6315**UNCCS Code:** 740000**DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS**

The United Nations (UN) is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOI) from reputable Information Systems vendors for a state-of-the-art software food rations management system to be deployed to 13 field missions being supplied with food rations.

The United Nations currently operates a number of commercial contracts for the provision of food rations to approximately 100,000 police and military personnel from its troop contributing countries (TCCs) that perform peacekeeping duties throughout the world. The proposed system is intended to optimize UN food rations operations by leveraging a commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) package capable of operating on a satellite-based communication infrastructure with low-bandwidth and high latency conditions at multiple locations of the world.

The Food Rations Management System is envisaged to incorporate key functions to manage all food ration operations in field missions. These include but are not limited to the following functionalities:

1. Ingredient, recipe and menu planning
2. Based on menu plans, food order generation, validation against financial and nutritional metrics, order processing and tracking
3. Quality assurance and certificate management
4. Automated receipt and inspection including order matching with delivery notes
5. Inventory management including shelf-life management, reserves and operational stock management
6. Invoice processing including automatic reconciliation between order, delivery note and invoice
7. Contract management including Not-to-exceed (NTE) amount tracking, reporting capabilities and performance measurement

The solution must have the ability to operate as an on-demand or on-site solution with features for a tight

integration with other United Nations systems for procurement, budget and finance. Preference may be given to those systems offering full out-of-the box solutions and/or standardized SAP interfaces to relevant modules for later ERP integration.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

Additional information and a detailed Technical Specifications will be given in the UN's Request for Proposal (RFP) which will be sent out to all respondents to this EOI.

NOTE

Information on tendering for the UN Procurement System is **available free of charge** at the following address: <http://www.ungm.org/Notices/Notices.aspx>

Only the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) has been authorized to collect a nominal fee from vendors that wish to receive automatically Procurement Notices or Expression Of Interest. Please subscribe to <http://www.ungm.org/Registration/Login.aspx>

Vendors interested in participating in the planned solicitation process should complete the Vendor Response Form of this EOI and fax it to United Nations Procurement Division (UNPD) before the closing date set forth above

VENDOR RESPONSE FORM

EOI Number: EOIRK5193

TO: Greg Kuchler

FAX: 212 963 6315

FROM:

SUBJECT: Rations Management System (RMS)

To be filled by the Vendor (All fields marked with an '' are mandatory)*

COMPANY INFORMATION

UN Vendor ID Number**:	UNGM Vendor ID Number*:	
Company Name *:		
Company Contact *:		
Address *:		
City *:		
Country *:		
Telephone Number *:		
Fax Number *:		
Email Address:		
Company Website:		

We declare that our company fully meets the prerequisites A, B, C, D and E, for eligibility to register with the United Nations as outlined in the paragraph 1 of the EOI INSTRUCTIONS page.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name and Title: _____

**** If not already registered with UN Procurement Division, please use the following URL to register at United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM): www.ungm.org. Registration at UNGM is mandatory for responding to this EOI. The following information is available about the registration process.**

EOI INSTRUCTIONS

1) Registering as a Vendor with the United Nations

Vendors interested in fulfilling the requirement described above must be registered with UN in order to be eligible to participate in any solicitation. Information on the registration process can be found at <http://www.un.org/Depts/ptd>.

Prerequisites for Eligibility

In order to be eligible for UN registration, you must declare that:

- A. Your company (both parent and/or subsidiaries, if applicable) is not on, or associated with a company or individual on The 1267 List website (www.un.org/sc/committees/1267/consolist.shtml) and is not on the IIC Oil for Food List website (www.iic-offp.org).
- B. Your company (both parent and/or subsidiaries, if applicable) is not currently removed, invalidated or suspended by the UN Headquarters, field missions or other UN organizations (including the World Bank) and is not under investigation by a government or UN Member State.
- C. You have no outstanding bankruptcy, judgment or pending legal action that could impair operating as a *going concern*.
- D. You currently do not employ, or anticipate employing, any person(s) who is or was recently employed by the UN (in accordance with ST/SGB/2006/15, post-employment restrictions (www.un.org/depts/ptd/pdf/conduct_english.pdf)).
- E. Your subsidiaries, agents, intermediaries and principals agree to cooperate with the United Nations Office of Internal Oversight Service during any investigative processes undertaken by them, either before during or after execution of a contract, including providing all required documents, company records, access to employees, officers and staff, as well as financial information.

For Registered Vendors: Vendors already registered must ensure that the information and documentation (e.g. financial statements, address, contact name, etc.) provided in connection with their registration are up to date in UNGM.

For Vendors Interested in Registration: Vendors not yet registered should apply for registration on the United Nations Global Marketplace (<http://www.ungm.org>); information on the registration process can be found at <http://www.un.org/Depts/ptd>. Vendors must complete the registration process within 90 days of the date of this REOI. Vendors who have not initiated and completed the formal registration process with the Procurement Division within the 90 day-period will be automatically removed from the vendor roster and will have to start again a new registration for consideration in future EOI and tendering exercises.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Any false, incomplete or defective vendor registration may result in the rejection of the application or cancellation of an already existing registration.

2) EOI Process

Vendors interested in participating in the planned solicitation process should forward their expression of interest (EOI) to the United Nations Procurement Division (UNPD) by the closing date set forth in this EOI. *Due to the high volume of communications, UNPD is not in a position to issue confirmation of receipt of EOIs.*

Please note that no further details of the planned solicitation can be made available to the vendors prior to issuance of the solicitation documents.

This EOI is issued subject to the conditions contained in the EOI introductory page on the UNPD Website indicated above.