UNITED NATIONS PROCUREMENT DIVISION / GLOBAL PROCUREMENT SUPPORT SECTION

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

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Title of the EOI:

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE PROVISION OF INTERNET SERVICES VIA FIBER OPTIC AT UNOCA, LIBREVILLE, GABON

Date of this EOI: 26 April 2021 Closing Date for Receipt of EOI: 17 May 2021

EOI Number: EOIGPSS18440

Beneficiary Country/Territory: Gabon

Commodity/Service category: Communication Services

Address EOI response by fax or e-mail to the Attention of: Chief, Global Procurement Support Section

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UNSPSC Code: 81112100

DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

The Global Procurement Support Section, UN Procurement Division on behalf of United Nations Regional Office for Central Africa (UNOCA) intends to establish a long-term contract for the provision of Internet services via fiber optic at UNOCA in Libreville. Gabon.

The contract term shall be for an initial period of two (2) year, with the UN sole option to extend the term of the contract for three (3) additional periods of one year each (2+1+1+1)

The required Internet bandwidth for Internet connectivity link for World Wide Web and other Internet services is 10/10Mbps.

The proposer should provide capacity of 10mbps Symmetrical link with detailed technical specification. the Service Provider should make available eight (8) IPv4 addresses to UNOCA with possibility to migrate to IPv6. Two of the IP addresses will be used for public internet purpose and six others will be used internally



and for backup purposes. The Service provider must guarantee that full bandwidth capacity be maintained at all time to allow for maximum throughput. However, minimum acceptable is 97% of full bandwidth. The latency is to be measured between 08:00 – 20:00Hrs during work days as well as overnight. Apart for UN monitoring tools, the Service Provider's Monitoring Tool will be used for measuring the latency and UNOCA may request access to these.
SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

NOTE

Information on tendering for the UN Procurement System is **available free of charge** at the following address: https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice

Only the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM) has been authorised to collect a nominal fee from vendors that wish to receive automatically Procurement Notices or Requests for Expression Of Interest. Vendors interested in this Tender Alert Service are invited to subscribe on https://www.ungm.org

Vendors interested in participating in the planned solicitation process should submit the Vendor Response Form of this EOI electronically (through the link available on the next page) before the closing date set forth above.

VENDOR RESPONSE

NOTICE

- Companies can only participate in solicitations of the UN Secretariat after completing their registration (free of charge) at the United Nations Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org).
- As you express interest in the planned solicitation by submitting this response form, please verify that
 your company is registered under its full legal name on the United Nations Global Marketplace
 (www.ungm.org) and that your application has been submitted to the UN Secretariat.
- While companies can participate in solicitations after completion of registration at Basic Level, we strongly recommend all companies to register at least at Level 1 under the United Nations Secretariat prior to participating in any solicitations.

PLEASE NOTE: You should express your interest to this EOI electronically at:

https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/node/add/interest-expressed?EOI=EOIGPSS18440

In case you have difficulties submitting your interest electronically, please contact dos-pd-gpss@un.org, ndongakoure@un.org, hamud@un.org directly for instructions.



EOI INSTRUCTIONS

1) Registering as a Vendor with the United Nations

Vendors interested in fulfilling the requirement described above must be registered at the UN Global Marketplace (www.ungm.org) with the UN Secretariat in order to be eligible to participate in any solicitation. Information on the registration process can be found at https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors.

Prerequisites for Eligibility

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

- A. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not listed in, or associated with a company or individual listed in:
 - I. the Compendium of United Nations Security Council Sanctions Lists (https://www.un.org/sc/suborg/en/sanctions/un-sc-consolidated-list), or
 - II. the IIC Oil for Food List website or, if listed on either, this has been disclosed to the United Nations Procurement Division in writing.
- B. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary or affiliate companies) is not currently removed or suspended by the United Nations or any other UN organisation (including the World Bank);
- C. Your company (as well as any parent, subsidiary of affiliate companies) is not under formal investigation, nor have been sanctioned within the preceding three (3) years, by any national authority of a United Nations Member State for engaging or having engaged in proscribed practices, including but not limited to: corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice:
- D. Your company has not declared bankruptcy, are not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against your company that could impair your company's operations in the foreseeable future:
- E. Your company does not employ, or anticipate employing, any person(s) who is, or has been a UN staff member within the last year, if said UN staff member has or had prior professional dealings with the Vendor in his/her capacity as UN staff member within the last three years of service with the UN (in accordance with UN post-employment restrictions published in ST/SGB/2006/15).
- F. Your company undertakes not to engage in proscribed practices (including but not limited to: corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice), with the UN or any other party, and to conduct business in a manner that averts any financial, operational, reputational or other undue risk to the UN.

For Registered Vendors: Vendors already registered at the UN Global Marketplace with the UN Secretariat 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. Please verify and ensure that your company is registered under its full legal name.

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 https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors. Vendors must complete the registration process prior to the closing date of the REOI. Vendors who have not completed the UNGM registration process with the UN Secretariat before the closing date of the REOI are not considered eligible to participate in solicitations of the UN Secretariat. We strongly recommend all companies to register at least at Level 1 under the UN Secretariat prior to participating in any solicitations.

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 UNITED NATIONS PROCUREMENT DIVISION / GLOBAL PROCUREMENT SUPPORT SECTION (GPSS) by the closing date set forth in this EOI. <u>Due to the high volume of communications GPSS is not in a position to issue confirmation of receipt of EOIs</u>.

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 available at https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/eoi.



