



## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

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**Title of the EOI:**

Contractual Service with a Book Vendor for the provision of Print Books and E-books to the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) in Addis Ababa

**Date of this EOI:** 4 October 2021

**Closing Date for Receipt of EOI:** 17 October 2021

**EOI Number:** EOIUNECA18965

**Beneficiary Country/Territory:** Ethiopia

**Commodity/Service category:** Communication Services

**Address EOI response by fax or e-mail to the Attention of:** Destar@Un.Org

**Fax Number:**

**E-mail Address:** destar@un.org

**UNSPSC Code:** 55101500

### DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

The service required is to provide ECA Knowledge Management Services Section (KMSS) users with print book and e-book access necessary to do their research in their work for the Commission.

The Contractor should be able to supply demand driven print books and electronic books. The print books and e-books that are ordered by KMSS are principally in the fields of Economics, Social development, Gender, Regional integration, Trade, Natural resources development, Private sector development, Innovation and technology, Governance, Finance, Statistics and other related social sciences areas.

ECA communication languages are English, French and Arabic thus the contractor should be able to supply demand driven e-books in the stated languages

KMSS wishes to establish a contract for two (2) years, with an option of, as its sole right, to an additional two (2) year extensions for the provision of the services upon successful evaluation of the service.

Vendors who express their interest will be invited to participate in a tender through a Request for Proposal (RFP). This tender will envisage the selection of a firm to undertake the above services.



Please note that the UNECA is precluded from entering into contract with a firm that is not fully registered with UNECA. Those interested in responding to this invitation but not currently fully registered as vendors with UNECA, are encouraged to register before submission of the bid. Further details may be obtained by visiting <https://www.ungm.org/Vendor/Registration>. In order to be eligible for UN Registration, please make sure to declare in writing the Prerequisite for Eligibility criteria itemized from A-E as contained in EOI instruction attached.

Those interested should write to the above-mentioned e-mail address to submit their “expression of interest” by the deadline of 17 October 2021

### 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 <http://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](http://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](http://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=EOIUNECA18965>

**In case you have difficulties submitting your interest electronically, please contact [destar@un.org](mailto:destar@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](http://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 or 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 UNECA (UNECA) by the closing date set forth in this EOI. *Due to the high volume of communications UNECA 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 available at <https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/eoi>.

