



United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

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Title of the EOI:

PROVISION OF INTERNET BANDWIDTH TO UNAMI Office Kuwait.

Date of this EOI: 23 January 2024**Closing Date for Receipt of EOI:** 6 February 2024**EOI Number:** EOIUNAMI22278**Beneficiary Country/Territory:** Kuwait**Commodity/Service category:** Vehicle Fleet**Address EOI response by fax or e-mail to the Attention of:** Chief Procurement Officer**Fax Number:** +965 2472 1899**E-mail Address:** unami-eoi@un.org; osman48@un.org; yabroudia@un.org; alani1@un.org**UNSPSC Code:**

25100000 - Motor vehicles

25101509 - Electrically powered vehicle

25101703 - Ambulances



DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

1.0 United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) intends to solicit bids for the provision of terrestrial internet bandwidth for UNAMI Office in Kuwait, with the initial contract of 1 year and a possible extension for two more years (one year-at-a-time), availability of funds and satisfactory performance by the prospective contractor(s)

2.1 UNAMI requires two terrestrial links of dedicated internet services for high availability and fault tolerance for the UNAMI office located in Kheitan, Block 4, Kuwait. Vendors are requested to provide a proposal for dedicated connectivity to UNAMI Offices in Kuwait over optical fiber. UNAMI intends to establish two separate contracts with alternate service providers one for primary link and the other for secondary link.

2.2 The proposer should propose for the provision of either one or both (however only one link will be awarded to each contractor) the internet services as follows:

- Primary link Main Server Room, Kuwait – Dedicated 50/50 mbps symmetrical (tx/rx) 30 Global IP Addresses.
- Secondary link DR Server Room, Kuwait - Dedicated 50/50 mbps symmetrical (tx/rx) 30 Global IP Addresses.

2.3 The Bidder should have the capability to increase bandwidth up to 80/80 mbps for any link that they quote for without the need to change equipment.

2.4 The vendor must guarantee that the full bandwidth capacity acquired is always maintained to allow maximum throughput. The vendor must be willing to accept the reference for connection availability and throughput from UNAMI.

2.5 The vendor shall provide UNAMI with web-based monitoring tools and should also be willing to accept that the monitoring of service availability and bandwidth measurement will be under the control of UNAMI.

2.6 The vendor is encouraged to explore the option to use the existing equipment which is already in use for the delivery of same services (the list of equipment will be provided in the Bid)

3.0 SITE VISIT. There will be a site visit arranged but not mandatory. UNAMI may a virtual site visit to evaluate the local condition if necessary.

4.0 More requirements will be given during the Bidding exercise.

5.0 The service should be executed by qualified and experienced company, based on Scope of work (SOW), Specifications, Plans, UN General Conditions of Contracts and other related documents which will be provided later on by UNAMI to qualified companies who express their interest and respond to this EOI

6.0 For this purpose, UNAMI will undertake a competitive bidding exercise shortly, accordingly would issue a Request for Quotation (RFQ) to those companies who would express their interest and provide initial relevant information as to their ability to fulfill UNAMI's requirement.

7.0 Please note on the following:

- This EOI is not an invitation to submit a bid/proposal.
- UNAMI reserves the right in selecting the invitees for the competitive bidding based on substantial and proven records of performance in the subject field of activities and mere expressing an interest would not automatically warrant for RFQ document.
- UNAMI reserves the right to reject EOIs received after the above deadline.



SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

8.0 PRE-QUALIFICATION CRITERIA:

- i. Must be a registered Internet provider and have at least 3-year experience in this area
- ii. Must be a registered from Kuwait Ministry of Information internet provider or if not, either your Kuwait ISP partner.

NOTE: Proof of Documents must be submitted as part of technical requirements upon receipt of the tender document

9.0 Pre-Qualification Questionnaires

9.1 Company Name: _____

9.2 Company UNGM Number: _____

9.3 Company's Authorized Representative(s) (Name/Title): _____

9.4 Number of employees:

9.5 Year Established:

9.6 Company's name :

9.7 Experience in similar field of corporate customers. (No. of Years):

9.8 Does your company comply with All EOI Mandatory / Core Requirement? Yes No

9.9 Time (Calendar Days) required to initiate the services in case of selection: _____

9.10 Reference to existing & previous comparable Service/ Contracts to other International Organizations, private or state institutions:

9.11 Contract-1

a) Description: _____

b) Location: _____ Year Executed: _____

c) Contract Price (USD) _____

d) Client Organization: _____

e) Client Contact : Name and Telephone _____

f) Email: _____

9.12 Contract -2

a) Description: _____ Year Executed: _____

b) Location: _____

c) Contract Price (USD) _____

d) Client Organization: _____

e) Client Contact: Name and Telephone _____

f) Email: _____

9.13 Contract -3

a) Description: _____ Year Executed: _____

b) Location: _____

c) Contract Price (USD) _____

d) Client Organization: _____

e) Client Contact: Name and Telephone _____

f) Email: _____

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).
- 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.
- Companies are reminded of the restrictions of employment of former UN personnel that were involved in the procurement process during their last three years of service as per ST/SGB/2006/15, including (a) employing those personnel for one year after separation of service and (b) allowing those personnel to communicate with, or appear before, active UN personnel for matters related to the procurement process for two years after separation of service. Violation of the provisions of ST/SGB/2006/15 may lead to suspension of the registration of the company as a UN vendor.

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

<https://www.ungm.org/Public/Notice/224624>

In case you have difficulties submitting your interest electronically, please contact unami-eoi@un.org; osman48@un.org; yabroudia@un.org; alani1@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/securitycouncil/content/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 United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) by the closing date set forth in this EOI. *Due to the high volume of communications UNAMI 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>.

