



United Nations Global Service Centre

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

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Title of the EOI:

Provision of Preventive Maintenance and Repair Services of Fire Prevention and Protection Systems, Fire Suppression Systems, Fire Extinguishers, and the provision of Fire Extinguishers at the United Nations Global Service Centre (UNGSC) in Brindisi, Italy.

Date of this EOI: 30 April 2024

Closing Date for Receipt of EOI: 21 May 2024

EOI Number: EOIUNGSC22616

Beneficiary Country/Territory: Italy

Commodity/Service category: Facility Management

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UNSPSC Code:

46190000 - Fire protection

46191608 - Fire suppression system

72101509 - Fire protection system and equipment maintenance or repair service

72101516 - Fire extinguisher inspection maintenance and repair service

92121702 - Fire alarm maintenance or monitoring



DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

The United Nations Global Service Centre (UNGSC) is seeking expressions of interest from qualified companies for the Provision of Preventive Maintenance and Repair Services of Fire Prevention and Protection Systems, Fire Suppression Systems, Fire Extinguishers, and the provision of Fire Extinguishers at the United Nations Global Service Centre (UNGSC) in Brindisi, Italy.

The requirement will be divided amongst the three distinct Service Units at the UNGSC (Central Services, Supply Chain Services, and Service for Geospatial, Information, & Telecommunications Technologies (SGITT)), and it will encompass three different services, as outlined below:

Part 1: Maintenance and Repair Services of Fire Prevention and Protection Systems at the United Nations Global Service Centre (UNGSC), Brindisi.

The all-encompassing maintenance scope comprises of inspections, testing, and upkeep for fire prevention systems, encompassing fire hydrants, gaseous extinguishing systems, sprinkler and pumping systems, fire detection systems, and smoke and heat evacuator systems. The activities involve functional testing, verification, and requisite replacements. The overarching scope for all systems entails strict adherence to a maintenance schedule, meticulous record-keeping, prompt emergency response, assurance of compliance with regulations, and the implementation of necessary system upgrades.

Part 2: Maintenance of Fire Suppression on the Infrastructures Operations Section (IOS) Critical System at United Nations Global Service Centre (UNGSC), Brindisi

The selected vendor shall provide all labor, material, supervision, tooling and miscellaneous hardware and consumables for the maintenance of all Fire Suppression Systems.

Some of the services are listed below but are not limited to the maintenance of the existing FM200/HFC227 and HFC 125 fire suppression systems as well as ARGON IG-01 fire suppression systems, all located at the UNGSC, Brindisi.

The Vendor must update and/or release the software capable to manage the following hardware:

- a) Central Unit 8000C ESSER with accessories (sirens, alarm call, smoke detectors, transponders);
- b) Vesda Laser Smoke Detector XTRALIS
- c) Micro MDS Smartline INIM (Fire Extinguishing module)

As per the UN standards the monitoring tool must operate on the Virtual Machine in accordance with the UN-OICT Standard Operating System policy.

Quality assurance shall be maintained considering the following:

- a) UNI 10877 Gaseous fire extinguishing systems - Physical properties and system design
- b) UNI 9795 Design, installation and operation of fixed automatic fire alarm detection and signaling systems.
- c) C.E. mark

All equipment replaced during maintenance must be stamped with the C.E. mark.



Products without this mark will not be allowed.

All electrical equipment replaced during maintenance must be fully compliant with the two standards below:

- i. CEI Standards and related specifications.
- ii. CEI-UNEL-Cenelec UNI tables circular n. 85 dated 8 November 1966

Regulation (EC) n. 304/2008 of the Commission, dated 2 April 2008: The Vendor shall submit Proof of Registration F-Gas license required to perform installations and maintenance on fire suppression systems with gas bottles that contain chemical gases.

This regulation establishes, in compliance with the regulation (CE) n. 842/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council, the minimum requirements and the conditions for mutual recognition of the certification of companies and personnel with regard to fixed fire protection systems and extinguishers containing fluorinated greenhouse gases.

UNI EN 54: Fire detection and fire alarm systems – Compatibility and connectivity assessment of system components: Vendor should meet the requirements for the compatibility of components of fire detection and fire alarm system or voice alarm system as a subsystem of fire detection and fire alarm system in line with UNI EN 54.

UNI 11224: Initial inspection and maintenance of fire detection systems: Vendor should meet the standard procedures describes for initial inspection, surveillance and periodic inspection, maintenance and general verification of automatic fire detection systems in line with UNI 11224.

ISO 14520: Gaseous fire suppression systems - Physical properties and system design: Vendor should meet Fire Suppression maintenance standards in line with ISO 14520.

UNI 11280: Initial inspection and maintenance of gaseous fire extinguishing systems: Vendor should meet the standard procedures for initial inspection, surveillance and periodic inspection, maintenance and general verification of gaseous fire extinguishing systems in line with UNI 11280.

UNI EN 15004: Fixed inert gas fire prevention systems: Vendor should meet the standards design of the fixed inert gas fire prevention systems in line with UNI EN 15004.

Part 3: Maintenance and Repair Service of Fire Extinguishers, and the Provision of new Fire Extinguishers at the United Nations Global Service Centre (UNGSC), Brindisi

Provision for the fire extinguishers, spare parts and consumables must be in accordance with latest Safety European (EU) and Italian rules and regulations, i.e. D.LSG. 81/08 and/or any other subsequent improved modifications provision of technical inspection, hydrostatic test, maintenance, repair, refill, disposal of unserviceable fire extinguishers (whenever requested, free of charge), as per Annex C for all the fire extinguishers in force at UNGSC, Brindisi, Italy.

The UNGSC is an ISO 9001 & ISO 14001 certified Organization. Although the Contractor does not necessarily need to be ISO 9001 & ISO 14001 certified, they are required to conform to UNGSC requirements for compliance with ISO 9001 and ISO 14001.

Throughout the entire contract period, an Italian-based Contractor will be required to be registered with the pertinent professional qualifications in the Italian Chamber of Commerce Business Registry, in accordance



with Article 26 of Italian Legislative Decree No. 81/08: Letter G (“impianti di protezione antincendio”) of Article 1 of Italian Law No. 37, dated 22/01/2008. On the other hand, a foreign-based Contractor must be registered with the relevant professional qualifications at the corresponding authority in their country of origin (Chamber of Commerce Business Registry or official register or list) for the entire duration of the contract.

The Contractor’s staff must be registered as per Italian labour laws in the “Libro Unico del Lavoro”. Upon UNGSC’s request and at all times, the Contractor shall provide a copy of the Italian DURC (Documento Unico di Continuità Contributiva) or an equivalent document issued by the labor authorities from the bidder’s country of origin attesting compliance with labor laws, rules, and regulations in accordance with the European Regulation CE 29 April 2004 n. 883 and Implementing Regulation CE 16 September 2009 n. 987.

The Contractor is authorized to subcontract all minor activities, including transportation and supply. However, the core business, specifically the preventive maintenance and repair services of fire prevention and protection systems, fire suppression systems, and fire extinguishers, and the provision of fire extinguishers, remains the exclusive responsibility of the Contractor.

Split awards for each part of the services may be considered.

A mandatory Bidder’s in-person Site Visit will be scheduled at the UNGSC in Brindisi, Italy to gather all essential data for evaluating the scope of the works and submitting a comprehensive offer.

The resulting Contract will be established for an initial period of three (3) years, with the UNGSC’s sole option to extend the term of the contract for two (2) additional periods of one year each (3+1+1).

The complete technical requirements and administrative instructions will be provided with a solicitation document to be issued at a later stage following the closing date for this EOI.

*****IMPORTANT NOTE:** The tender documents will be sent via e-tendering platform ONLY to the email address(-es) registered in companies’ UNGM account. Therefore, please make sure that the contact email address(-es) associated with your UNGM account at www.ungm.org is correct and updated, so as to ensure delivery of the notifications and access to tendering documents.***

This REOI does not constitute a solicitation. The UNGSC reserves the right to change or cancel the requirements at any time during the REOI and solicitation process. Thus, submitting a reply to this REOI does not automatically guarantee that your company will be considered for receipt of the solicitation documents when issued.



SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

To be awarded a contract, the Bidder must be registered with the UN Secretariat through the United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM).

Level 2 registration with UNGM will be required before the award and in the event of a split award, Level 1 might be sufficient, and your company shall be advised accordingly.

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/233120>

In case you have difficulties submitting your interest electronically, please contact unlb-procurement@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 Global Service Centre (UNGSC) by the closing date set forth in this EOI. *Due to the high volume of communications UNGSC 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>.

