United Nations Support Office in Somalia

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

This notice is placed by UNSOS. The accuracy, reliability and completeness of the contents of furnished information is the responsibility of United Nations Support Office in Somalia. You are therefore requested to direct all queries regarding this EOI to United Nations Support Office in Somalia using the fax number or e-mail address provided below.

Title of the EOI:

Provision of Satellite Voice, Data Services and related Hardware (Re-bid)

Date of this EOI: 26 August 2024 Closing Date for Receipt of EOI: 9 September 2024

EOI Number: EOIUNSOS23000

Beneficiary Country/Territory: Somalia; Kenya

Commodity/Service category: Communication Services

Address EOI response by fax or e-mail to the Attention of: Pierfrancesco Consalvo

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UNSPSC Code:

25151701 - Communication satellites

43221740 - Satellite Communications Equipment

83111602 - Satellite or earth communication systems services

81161800 - Data voice or multimedia network equipment or platform rental or leasing services



DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

UNSOS has a requirement to obtain the services of one or more provider/s authorized by Thuraya, Iridium, Inmarsat and Starlink for the provision of satellite voice and data services as well as associated hardware and to ensure services are performed as per applicable international standards, including UN standards as stated in the Conditions of Contract that will be established.

Services under the contract should commence by the second quarter of 2025 and are required principally in Somalia and Kenya - which are the main areas of operations for UNSOS. However, the services may also be extended as well to other UN missions located worldwide.

Noting that UNSOS will not guarantee any minimum level of service, and with the sole purpose of giving an idea of the size of the contract as it is in place right now for UNSOS alone, the number of users in Somalia alone is about 100 for Thuraya and 10 Iridium voice and 70 Iridium PTT. A smaller number of users are currently located in other geographic areas such as Haiti, Lybia and in the territories of Western Sahara.

The related Request for Proposal (RFP) will be launched few days after the expiration of this EOI.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

- 1. Proposer must have certification, letter or license from Thuraya, Iridium, Inmarsat and Starlink authorizing the provider to provide services. Lack of these documents will be cause of rejection of their offer. Companies who do not have these authorization should not respond to this EOI.
- 2. Proposer must have experience in providing similar services in the last five years to organizations operating in similar environments. Companies who do not qualify with this requirement should avoid applying to this EOI.

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 (<u>www.ungm.org</u>).
- 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/244770

In case you have difficulties submitting your interest electronically, please contact consalvo@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 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 Support Office in Somalia (UNSOS) by the closing date set forth in this EOI. <u>Due to the high volume of communications UNSOS 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.

