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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)

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Title of the RFI:

Aviation-related Training Services

Date of this RFI: 2 February 2023

Closing Date for Receipt of RFI: 22 February 2023

RFI Number: RFIUNPD20777

Beneficiary Country/Territory: Global

Commodity/Service category: Recruitment & Training Services

Address RFI response by fax or e-mail to the Attention of: Szilvia Brezvai

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DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

In this Request for Information (RFI), the United Nations Secretariat's Air Transport Service seeks to identify potential companies or organizations that possess the expertise in Aviation-related Training.

Air Transport Service (ATS) is located within the Office of Supply Chain Management as part of the UN Secretariat's Department of Operational Support in New York. ATS provides policy, governance, oversight and contract management to the world-wide fleet of United Nations commercial and military aircraft, as well as Unmanned Aircraft Systems. Air Transport Service is seeking to receive information on the market availability of the following or similar trainings:

a) Aviation Safety Oversight Inspector (Airworthiness/Operations), LIVE-online training only

The UN would like to receive information on the following aspects of the training:



(1) Minimum course contents

The basic content of the desired course is elementary understanding of the following (each with examples, focusing on international operators, AOC holders from multiple regions of the world operating in the different UN missions where there are multiple interactions between jurisdictions: country of manufacture, country of operation, country of registration, etc.):

- ICAO SARPs and guidance materials
- ICAO Contracting States responsibilities
- USOAP/EASA/FAA regulations and oversight obligations
- Surveillance obligations and resolution of safety concerns
- The role and responsibilities of a safety oversight inspector

• ICAO Annex 8 (Airworthiness of Aircraft) Standards and related documents, including mandatory airworthiness requirements and reporting

- ICAO Annex 6 (International Operation Aircraft/helicopters) and related documents
- Design organizations, production organizations, and designees: Approval and surveillance
- Approved Aircraft Modifications (UN requests for specialized equipment, ACAS, GNSS, TAWS,

NVG)

- Type Certificate Data Sheet(s)
- Certification of Aircraft, modifications, equipment, and systems
- Airworthiness Certificates: Issuance and renewal
- Continued airworthiness and deferred maintenance
- Operator maintenance systems: air operator certification issuance and monitoring
- Maintenance Control Manual and Maintenance Programme for air operators
- Minimum equipment list, configuration deviation list, and dispatch authorization for air operators
- Airworthiness directives and service bulletins
- Noise certificate and radio license
- Aging aircraft maintenance
- Release of aircraft to service
- Aircraft registration: issuance and renewal
- Article 83bis agreement

• Document evaluation, including certificates of airworthiness, maintenance organization approval certificates, maintenance control manuals, maintenance programs, MELs, and continuous maintenance programs

• Air Transport Operator Certification (AOC) - Ops. Specs and certification procedures

• Special Operations; All-weather operations; Extended range twin operations, Minimum navigation performance specification, Reduced vertical separation minima; Required navigation performance; Ultralong range

- Aircraft leasing, State of operation/registration, and Article 83bis
- State responsibilities regarding commercial air transport operations by foreign operators
- The right of states to inspect aircraft from other states
- State approval for a foreign operator to operate within its territory
- Operator audits by established commercial audit organizations
- Approval process and continued surveillance.

Course objectives:

By the end of the course, students will have:

a) Basic understanding of:

- 1) The legal and regulatory framework in which airworthiness and operations are regulated
- 2) Air Operators and AMO certification processes.

3) State Responsibilities regarding air transport operations within its territory by foreign operators, and own operators in foreign territories; and



b) The ability to review and assess various certificates and documents for compliance with policies and regulations, including:

Ability to review certificates from multiple different countries (airworthiness certificates, AOC & Ops Spec, registration certificates, insurance certificates), and analyze lease agreements, policies, documents, manuals, programs or materials for compliance with their national policies or regulations and international standards and practices.

- (2) How training materials, books, supporting manuals are distributed
- (3) Language availability

(4) Flexibility in customizing the course to UN audience: the training aims to refresh the knowledge of experienced pilots and engineers (more than 20 years of experience) on military and commercial airworthiness, continued surveillance; operations regulations, USOAP, certification processes, manuals, and state responsibilities, State of operation/registration, and Article 83bis. There is no need for exam and providing inspector certification at the end of the course.

The majority of attendees are UN inspectors and auditors, former pilots and engineers, with a few civilians and mostly retired military personnel. One of the attendees is an air traffic controller and another is a UAS pilot. They regularly assess the Air Operator Certificates (AOC), Operations Specifications, Certificates of Airworthiness (CoA), Certificates of Insurance (CoI), Certificates of Registration (CoR), type certificates, STAs, Maintenance program, performance review during vendor registration processes or bidding evaluations. The UN obtains aviation services from both military forces and commercial vendors representing 52 different countries.

The attendees are all involved in the evaluation of airworthiness and operations. However, they are not required to hold inspector certifications as they will not be responsible for issuing Air Operator Certificates (AOC) or inspecting approved maintenance organizations (AMO) or similar activities. Instead, their role is to review vendor's compliance with International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) standards, NAA and contractual specific requirements).

- (5) Date availabilities: the estimated course length is 5 days, between 15 April and 30 May 2023
- (6) Time zone availability

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

The Request for Information is intended to identify potential vendors with verified experience to supply the requested services. Interested vendors are requested to respond to the following questions. The responses are requested to be sent to Ms. Szilvia Brezvai (szilvia.brezvai@un.org).

Submission

1. Fill out electronic link described in Vendor Response Section below.

2. Respond to the questionnaire and email the questionnaire and any supporting documents to Ms. Szilvia Brezvai (szilvia.brezvai@un.org).



Questionnaire

1. A brief general description of your organization, its structure, years in business and the line of business dealing with similar services

2. A list of clients in public sector that have recently utilizing the training services

3. Pricing model, training rate range as well as any volume discount

4. Information on existing LTA with an entity within the UN System, if any

5. Standard training catalogue, if any, as well as discount that could be offered to the UN over the standard catalogue rates

NOTE

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

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 a potential future solicitation process should submit the Vendor Response Form of this RFI 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>).
- Please verify that your company is registered under its **full legal** name on the United Nations Global Market Place (<u>www.ungm.org</u>) and that your application for registration as vendor has been submitted to the **UN Secretariat** in the same site, to be able to participate in any potential solicitation process as a result of this RFI.
- 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 submit your response to this RFI electronically at: https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/node/add/interest-expressed?EOI=RFIUNPD20777

In case you have difficulties submitting your response electronically, please contact szilvia.brezvai@un.org directly for 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 (<u>www.ungm.org</u>) with the UN Secretariat in order to be eligible to participate in any solicitation. Information on the registration process can be found at <u>https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors</u>.

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 (<u>https://www.un.org/sc/suborg/en/sanctions/un-sc-consolidated-list</u>), 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 (<u>http://www.ungm.org</u>); information on the registration process can be found at <u>https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/vendors</u>. Vendors must complete the registration process prior to the closing date of the RFI. Vendors who have not completed the UNGM registration process with the UN Secretariat before the closing date of the RFI are not considered eligible to participate in the potential solicitation process related to the RFI. 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) <u>RFI Process</u>

Vendors interested in participating in the potential solicitation process should forward their information (as requested in the RFI) to United Nations Procurement Division (UNPD) by the closing date set forth in this RFI. <u>Due to the high volume of communications UNPD is not in a position to issue confirmation of receipt of RFIs.</u>

Please note that no further details of the potential solicitation can be made available to the vendors prior to issuance of the solicitation documents.

This RFI is issued subject to the conditions contained in the RFI introductory page available at https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/rfi.

