United Nations Office at Nairobi

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION (RFI)

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

Title of the RFI:

RFI for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Audio Induction Loop systems (AFILs) at the United Nations Office Nairobi

Date of this RFI: 26 September 2023 Closing Date for Receipt of RFI: 3 October 2023

RFI Number: RFIUNON21906

Beneficiary Country/Territory: Kenya

Commodity/Service category: Communications Infrastructure & Radio Systems

Address RFI response by fax or e-mail to the Attention of: Benson Kangangi

Fax Number: N/a

E-mail Address: benson.kangangi@un.org; unon-procurement-rfx@un.org

UNSPSC Code:

46171627 - Wireless signaler system for hearing impaired

42211700 - Communication aids for the physically challenged

42144000 - External hearing device parts and accessories

DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

The United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON) is seeking information related to a requirement for Supply, Installation and Maintenance of Audio Induction Loop systems (AFILs) at the United Nations Complex, Nairobi.

The scope of work entail supply, installation and maintenace of thirty (30) Audio Induction Loops Systems in various locations within the UN Complex as well as provision of training on their use.

The purpose of the RFI is to establish availability of vendors in the market that are capable of providing the above services. UNON request you to provide details of past projects similar to the above requirement, that your company has executed. Please provide a brief description of the projects including names and contact details of the client.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS / INFORMATION (IF ANY)

Kindly note that this Request for Information does not constitute a solicitation process/bidding exercise. It is an information gathering exercise. The information provided by your company will be used by the United Nations for planning purposes and for assessment of the capability of your company for a possible formal bidding process. Furthermore, please note:

- All costs for preparing a response for the RFI must be covered by the vendor.
- The requested information will only be used by the UN for internal planning purposes, be kept strictly confidential and only authorized personnel will have access to it.
- The response to this RFI will not be used to pre-qualify vendors.
- The information provided will not be contractually binding to the vendor.
- Please email your responses/details of your past projects to unon-procurementrfx@un.org with a copy to benson.kangangi@un.org.
- The deadline for submitting your response is 03 October 2023.

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 https://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 (www.ungm.org).
- Please verify that your company is registered under its full legal name on the United Nations Global
 Market Place (www.ungm.org) 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.
- 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 submit your response to this RFI electronically at: https://www.un.org/Depts/ptd/node/add/interest-expressed?EOI=RFIUNON21906

In case you have difficulties submitting your response electronically, please contact benson.kangangi@un.org; unon-procurement-rfx@un.org directly for instructions.



RFI 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 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) RFI Process

Vendors interested in participating in the potential solicitation process should forward their information (as requested in the RFI) to United Nations Office at Nairobi (UNON) by the closing date set forth in this RFI. <u>Due to the high volume of communications UNON 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.



