REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO SUBMIT A BID TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SOUTHERN AFRICA LIMITED

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<th>RFP012/2020</th>
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<td>12 February 2020</td>
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<td>Appointment of a lead consultant to implement the Kingdom of Lesotho’s Green Climate Fund (GCF) readiness project titled “strengthening Lesotho’s national designated authority and developing strategic frameworks”.</td>
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<td>BID DOCUMENTS DELIVERY ADDRESS:</td>
<td>Development Bank of Southern Africa Welcome Centre 1258 Lever Road Midrand For Attention: Vusi Kunene</td>
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<td>NB: Bidders must ensure that they sign the register at the DBSA when submitting the Bids.</td>
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NAME OF BIDDER: 

CONTACT PERSON: 

EMAIL ADDRESS: 

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 

FAX NUMBER: 

BIDDER’S STAMP OR SIGNATURE
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YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SOUTHERN AFRICA LIMITED ("DBSA")

BID NUMBER: RFP012/2020
NON-COMPULSORY BRIEFING: N/A
SESSION DATE AND TIME: NONE
CLOSING DATE: 12 February 2020
CLOSING TIME: 11H00

DESCRIPTION:
Appointent of a lead consultant to implement the Kingdom of Lesotho’s Green Climate Fund (GCF) readiness project titled “strengthening Lesotho’s national designated authority and developing strategic frameworks.”

1. The successful Bidder will be required to conclude a service level agreement with the DBSA

Bidders should ensure that Bids are delivered timeously and to the correct address (reflected on the cover page of this document). If the Bid is late, it will not be considered for evaluation.

The Bid box is open during office hours (08:00 – 16:30) Monday to Friday.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS – (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED)

THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT, WHICH ARE SET OUT IN PART C OF THIS DOCUMENT.

THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS MUST BE FURNISHED (FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN YOUR BID BEING DISQUALIFIED).

BIDDERS THAT ARE UNINCORPORATED CONSORTIA CONSISTING OF MORE THAN ONE LEGAL ENTITY MUST SELECT A LEAD ENTITY AND FURNISH THE DETAILS OF THE LEAD ENTITY, UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

<p>| NAME OF BIDDER AND EACH ENTITY IN CONSORTIUM: | |
| POSTAL ADDRESS: | |
| STREET ADDRESS: | |
| CONTACT PERSON (FULL NAME): | |
| <strong>EMAIL ADDRESS:</strong> |  |
| <strong>TELEPHONE NUMBER:</strong> |  |
| <strong>FAX NUMBER:</strong> |  |
| <strong>BIDDER REGISTRATION NUMBER OR REGISTRATION NUMBER OF EACH ENTITY IN CONSORTIUM</strong> |  |
| <strong>BIDDER VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER OR VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER OF EACH ENTITY IN CONSORTIUM</strong> |  |
| <strong>BBBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE /BBBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT SUBMITTED?</strong> | YES | NO |
| [TICK APPLICABLE BOX] |  |
| <strong>IF YES, WHO ISSUED THE CERTIFICATE?</strong> |  |
| <strong>REGISTERED WITH THE NATIONAL TREASURY CSD</strong> | YES | NO |
| [TICK APPLICABLE BOX] |  |
| <strong>CSD REGISTRATION NUMBER</strong> |  |
| <strong>TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS PIN (TCS) NUMBER ISSUED BY SARS</strong> |  |</p>
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<td>ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS/SERVICES/WORKS OFFERED?</td>
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<td>CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED (Attach proof of authority to sign this bid; e.g. resolution of directors, etc.)</td>
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# PART B
## TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

### 1. BID SUBMISSION:
1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.

1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED—(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR ONLINE.

1.3. BIDDERS MUST REGISTER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) TO UPLOAD MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS; AND BANKING INFORMATION FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES). B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.

1.4. WHERE A BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED ON THE CSD, MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID DOCUMENTATION. B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.

1.5. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER LEGISLATION OR SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.

### 2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS
2.1. BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.

2.2. BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VIEW THE TAXPAYER’S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.

2.3. APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) OR PIN MAY ALSO BE MADE VIA E-FILING. IN ORDER TO USE THIS PROVISION, TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO REGISTER WITH SARS AS E-FILERS THROUGH THE WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.

2.4. BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS TOGETHER WITH THE BID.

2.5. IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE PROOF OF TCS / PIN / CSD NUMBER.

2.6. WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.

### 3. QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS

#### 3.1. IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?
- [ ] YES  [ ] NO

#### 3.2. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?
- [ ] YES  [ ] NO

#### 3.3. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?
- [ ] YES  [ ] NO

#### 3.4. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?
- [ ] YES  [ ] NO

IF THE ANSWER IS “NO” TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN, IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS / TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 ABOVE.

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.
PART C

CHECKLIST OF COMPULSORY RETURNABLE SCHEDULES AND DOCUMENTS

Please adhere to the following instructions

- Tick in the relevant block below
- Ensure that the following documents are completed and signed where applicable:
- Use the prescribed sequence in attaching the annexes that complete the Bid Document

NB: Should all of these documents not be included, the Bidder may be disqualified on the basis of non-compliance

YES  NO

☐ ☐ One original Bid document with one (1) copy (clearly marked as original and copy); separated into separate envelopes for Pre-Qualifying Criteria and Functional Evaluation on the one hand, and Price and Preferential Points, on the other hand.

☐ ☐ Part A: Invitation to Bid

☐ ☐ Part B: Terms and Conditions of Bidding

☐ ☐ Part C: Checklist of Compulsory Returnable Schedules and Documents

☐ ☐ Part D: Conditions of Tendering and Undertakings by Bidders

☐ ☐ Part E: Specifications/Terms of Reference and Project Brief

☐ ☐ Annexure A: Price Proposal Requirement

☐ ☐ Annexure B: SBD4 Declaration of Interest

☐ ☐ Annexure C: SBD6.1 and B-BBEE status level certificate

☐ ☐ Annexure D: SBD8: Declaration of Bidder’s Past Supply Chain Practices

☐ ☐ Annexure E: SBD9: Certificate of Independent Bid Determination
Annexure F: Certified copies of your CIPC company registration documents listing all members with percentages, in case of a lose corporation

Annexure G: Certified copies of latest share certificates, in case of a company.

Annexure H: (if applicable): A breakdown of how fees and work will be spread between members of the bidding consortium.

Annexure I: Supporting documents to responses to Pre-Qualifying Criteria and Functional Evaluation Criteria.

Annexure J: General Condition of Contract

Annexure K: CSD Tax Compliance Status and Registration Requirements Report
PART D

CONDITIONS OF TENDERING AND UNDERTAKINGS BY BIDDER

1. DEFINITIONS

In this Request for Proposals, unless a contrary intention is apparent:

1.1 **B-BBEE** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003;

1.2 **B-BBEE Act** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003;

1.3 **B-BBEE status level of contributor** means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance used to claim points in terms of regulation 6 and 7 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017.

1.4 **Business Day** means a day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday.

1.5 **Bid** means a written offer in the prescribed or stipulated form lodged by a Bidder in response to an invitation in this Request for Proposal, containing an offer to provide goods, works or services in accordance with the Specification as provided in this RFP.

1.6 **Bidder** means a person or legal entity, or an unincorporated group of persons or legal entities that submit a Bid.

1.7 **Companies Act** means the Companies Act, 2008.

1.8 **Compulsory Documents** means the list of compulsory schedules and documents set out in Part B.

1.9 **Closing Time** means the time, specified as such under the clause 4 (Bid Timetable) in Part C, by which Tenders must be received.

1.10 **DBSA** means the Development Bank of Southern Africa Limited.

1.11 **DFI** means Development Finance Institution.

1.12 **Evaluation Criteria** means the criteria set out under the clause 27 (Evaluation Process) of this Part C, which includes the Qualifying Criteria, Functional Criteria and Price and Preferential Points Assessment.

1.13 **Functional Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 27 of this Part C.

1.14 **Intellectual Property Rights** includes copyright and neighbouring rights, and all proprietary rights in relation to inventions (including patents) registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, confidential information (including trade secrets
and know how) and circuit layouts, and all other proprietary rights resulting from intellectual activity in the industrial, scientific, literary or artistic fields.

1.15 **PFMA** means the Public Finance Management Act, 1999.


1.17 **PPPFA Regulations** means the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017 published in terms of the PPPFA.

1.18 **Pre-Qualifying Criteria** means the criteria set out in clause 27.3 of this Part C.

1.19 **Price and Preferential Points Assessment** means the process described in clause 27.5 of this Part C, as prescribed by the PPPFA.

1.20 **Proposed Contract** means the agreement including any other terms and conditions contained in or referred to in this RFP that may be executed between the DBSA and the successful Bidder.

1.21 **Request for Proposal** or **RFP** means this document (comprising each of the parts identified under Part A, Part B, Part C and Part D) including all annexures and any other documents so designated by the DBSA.

1.22 **SARS** means the South African Revenue Service.

1.23 **Services** means the services required by the DBSA, as specified in this RFP Part D.

1.24 **SLA** means service level agreement.

1.25 **SOE** means State Owned Enterprise, as defined by the Companies’ Act.

1.26 **Specification** means the conditions of tender set and any specification or description of the DBSA’s requirements contained in this RFP.

1.27 **State** means the Republic of South Africa.

1.28 **Statement of Compliance** means the statement forming part of a Tender indicating the Bidders compliance with the Specification.

1.29 **Tendering Process** means the process commenced by the issuing of this Request for Proposals and concluding upon formal announcement by the DBSA of the selection of a successful Bidder(s) or upon the earlier termination of the process.

1.30 **Website** means a website administered by DBSA under its name with web address [www.dbsa.org](http://www.dbsa.org)

2. **INTERPRETATIONS**

   In this RFP, unless expressly provided otherwise a reference to:

2.1 “includes” or “including” means includes or including without limitation; and

2.2 “R” or “Rand” is a reference to the lawful currency of the Republic of South Africa.
3. TENDER TECHNICAL AND GENERAL QUERIES

Queries pertaining to this tender must be directed to:
DBSA Supply Chain Management Unit
Email: vusik4@dbsa.org
No questions will be answered telephonically.

4. BID TIMETABLE

This timetable is provided as an indication of the timing of the tender process. It is indicative only and subject to change by the DBSA. Bidders are to provide proposals that will allow achievement of the intended commencement date.

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5. SUBMISSION OF TENDERS

5.1 Hardcopies of Tenders are to be submitted to:

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<td>Information to be marked on package containing Tender</td>
<td>DBSA SCM Unit RFP Ref. No. RFP012/2019 Name of Bidder For Attention: Vusi Kunene</td>
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5.2 Bidders are to provide one (1) original and one (1) hard copy and one (1) electronic (PDF) copy of the Bid. If the Bidders are submitting more than one (1) proposal with regard to the functions explained in the cover page and Part D of this RFP, then these should be submitted as separate submissions and indicated on the cover page of the Bid. Each Bid shall be submitted with one (1) original and one (1) hard copy and one (1) electronic copy as indicated above.

6. RULES GOVERNING THIS RFP AND THE TENDERING PROCESS

6.1 Participation in the tender process is subject to compliance with the rules contained in this RFP Part C.

6.2 All persons (whether or not a participant in this tender process) having obtained or received this RFP may only use it, and the information contained herein, in compliance with the rules contained in this RFP.

6.3 All Bidders are deemed to accept the rules contained in this RFP Part C.

6.4 The rules contained in this RFP Part C apply to:

6.4.1 The RFP and any other information given, received or made available in connection with this RFP, and any revisions or annexure;

6.4.2 the Tendering Process; and

6.4.3 any communications (including any briefings, presentations, meetings and negotiations) relating to the RFP or the Tendering Process.

7. STATUS OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

7.1 This RFP is an invitation for person(s) to submit a proposal(s) for the provision of the services as set out in the Specification contained in this RFP. Accordingly, this RFP must not be construed, interpreted, or relied upon, whether expressly or implicitly, as an offer capable of acceptance by any person(s), or as creating any form of contractual, promissory or other rights. No binding contract or other understanding for the supply of services will exist between the DBSA and any Bidder unless and until the DBSA has executed a formal written contract with the successful Bidder.
8. **ACCURACY OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

8.1 Whilst all due care has been taken in connection with the preparation of this RFP, the DBSA makes no representations or warranties that the content in this RFP or any information communicated to or provided to Bidders during the Tendering Process is, or will be, accurate, current or complete. The DBSA, and its officers, employees and advisors will not be liable with respect to any information communicated which is not accurate, current or complete.

8.2 If a Bidder finds or reasonably believes it has found any discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in this RFP or any other information provided by the DBSA (other than minor clerical matters), the Bidder must promptly notify the DBSA in writing of such discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in order to afford the DBSA an opportunity to consider what corrective action is necessary (if any).

8.3 Any actual discrepancy, ambiguity, error or inconsistency in this RFP or any other information provided by the DBSA will, if possible, be corrected and provided to all Bidders without attribution to the Bidder who provided the written notice.

9. **ADDITIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE RFP**

9.1 The DBSA reserves the right to change any information in, or to issue any addendum to this RFP before the Closing Time. The DBSA and its officers, employees and advisors will not be liable in connection with either the exercise of, or failure to exercise this right.

9.2 If the DBSA exercises its right to change information in terms of clause 9.1, it may seek amended Tenders from all Bidders.

10. **REPRESENTATIONS**

   No representations made by or on behalf of the DBSA in relation to this RFP will be binding on the DBSA unless that representation is expressly incorporated into the contract ultimately entered into between the DBSA and the successful Bidder.

11. **CONFIDENTIALITY**

   11.1 All persons (including all Bidders) obtaining or receiving this RFP and any other information in connection with this RFP or the Tendering Process must keep the contents of the RFP and other such information confidential, and not disclose or use the information except as required for the purpose of developing a proposal in response to this RFP.

12. **REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION OR FURTHER INFORMATION**
12.1 All communications relating to this RFP and the Tendering Process must be directed to the Tender Officer.

12.2 All questions or requests for further information or clarification of this RFP or any other document issued in connection with the Tendering Process must be submitted to the Tender Officer in writing, and most preferably by e-mail to vusik4@dbsa.org.

12.3 Any communication by a Bidder to the DBSA will be effective upon receipt by the Tender Officer (provided such communication is in the required format).

12.4 The DBSA has restricted the period during which it will accept questions or requests for further information or clarification and reserves the right not to respond to any enquiry or request, irrespective of when such enquiry or request is received.

12.5 Except where the DBSA is of the opinion that issues raised apply only to an individual Bidder, questions submitted and answers provided will be made available to all Bidders by e-mail, as well as on the DBSA’s website without identifying the person or organisation which submitted the question.

12.6 In all other instances, the DBSA may directly provide any written notification or response to a Bidder by email to the address of the Bidder (as notified by the Bidder to the Tender Manager).

12.7 A Bidder may, by notifying the Tender Officer in writing, withdraw a question submitted in accordance with clause 12, in circumstances where the Bidder does not wish the DBSA to publish its response to the question to all Bidders.

13. UNAUTHORISED COMMUNICATIONS

13.1 Communications (including promotional or advertising activities) with staff of the DBSA or their advisors assisting with the Tendering Process are not permitted during the Tendering Process, or otherwise with the prior consent of the Tender Officer. Nothing in this clause 13 is intended to prevent communications with staff of, or advisors to, the DBSA to the extent that such communications do not relate to this RFP or the Tendering Process.

13.2 Bidders must not otherwise engage in any activities that may be perceived as, or that may have the effect of, influencing the outcomes of the Tendering Process in any way.

14. IMPROPER ASSISTANCE, FRAUD AND CORRUPTION

14.1 Bidders may not seek or obtain the assistance of employees of the DBSA in the preparation of their tender responses.

14.2 The DBSA may in its absolute discretion, immediately disqualify a Bidder that it believes has sought or obtained such improper assistance.

14.3 Bidders are to be familiar with the implications of contravening the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, 2004 and any other relevant legislation.
15. **ANTI-COMPETITIVE CONDUCT**

15.1 Bidders and their respective officers, employees, agents and advisors must not engage in any collusion, anti-competitive conduct or any other similar conduct in respect of this Tendering Process with any other Bidder or any other person(s) in relation to:

15.1.1 the preparation or lodgement of their Bid
15.1.2 the evaluation and clarification of their Bid; and
15.1.3 the conduct of negotiations with the DBSA.

15.2 For the purposes of this clause 15, collusion, anti-competitive conduct or any other similar conduct may include disclosure, exchange and clarification of information whether or not such information is confidential to the DBSA or any other Bidder or any other person or organisation.

15.3 In addition to any other remedies available to it under law or contract, the DBSA may, in its absolute discretion, immediately disqualify a Bidder that it believes has engaged in any collusive, anti-competitive conduct or any other similar conduct during or before the Tendering Process.

16. **COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE TENDERING PROCESS**

16.1 Any complaint about the RFP or the Tendering Process must be submitted to the Supply Chain Management Unit in writing, by email, immediately upon the cause of the complaint arising or becoming known to the Bidder, (scmqueries@dbsa.org)

16.2 The written complaint must set out:

16.2.1 the basis for the complaint, specifying the issues involved;
16.2.2 how the subject of the complaint affects the organisation or person making the complaint;
16.2.3 any relevant background information; and
16.2.4 the outcome desired by the person or organisation making the complaint.

16.3 If the matter relates to the conduct of an employee of the DBSA, the complaint should be addressed in writing marked for the attention of the Chief Executive Officer of the DBSA, and delivered to the physical address of the DBSA, as notified.

17. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

17.1 A Bidder must not, and must ensure that its officers, employees, agents and advisors do not place themselves in a position that may give rise to actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest between the interests of the DBSA and the Bidder’s interests during the Tender Process.
17.2 The Bidder is required to provide details of any interests, relationships or clients which may or do give rise to a conflict of interest in relation to the supply of the services under any contract that may result from this RFP. If the Bidder submits its Bid and a subsequent conflict of interest arises, or is likely to arise, which was not disclosed in the Bid, the Bidder must notify the DBSA immediately in writing of that conflict.

17.3 The DBSA may immediately disqualify a Bidder from the Tendering Process if the Bidder fails to notify the DBSA of the conflict as required.

18. LATE BIDS

18.1 Bids must be delivered by the Closing Time. The Closing Time may be extended by the DBSA in its absolute discretion by providing written notice to Bidders.

18.2 Bids delivered after the Closing Time or lodged at a location or in a manner that is contrary to that specified in this RFP will be disqualified from the Tendering Process and will be ineligible for consideration. However, a late Bid may be accepted where the Bidder can clearly demonstrate (to the satisfaction of the DBSA, in its sole discretion) that late lodgement of the Bid was caused by the DBSA; that access was denied or hindered in relation to the physical tender box; or that a major/critical incident hindered the delivery of the Bid and, in all cases, that the integrity of the Tendering Process will not be compromised by accepting a Bid after the Closing Time.

18.3 The determination of the DBSA as to the actual time that a Bid is lodged is final. Subject to clause 18.2, all Bids lodged after the Closing Time will be recorded by the DBSA and will only be opened for the purposes of identifying a business name and address of the Bidder. The DBSA will inform a Bidder whose Bid was lodged after the Closing Time of its ineligibility for consideration. The general operating practice is for the late Bid to be returned within 5 (five) working days of receipt or within 5 (five) working days after determination not to accept a late Bid.

19. BIDDER’S RESPONSIBILITIES

19.1 Bidders are responsible for:

19.1.1 examining this RFP and any documents referenced or attached to this RFP and any other information made or to be made available by the DBSA to Bidders in connection with this RFP;

19.1.2 fully informing themselves in relation to all matters arising from this RFP, including all matters regarding the DBSA’s requirements for the provision of the Services;

19.1.3 ensuring that their Bids are accurate and complete;
19.1.4 making their own enquiries and assessing all risks regarding this RFP, and fully considering and incorporating the impact of any known and unknown risks into their Bid;

19.1.5 ensuring that they comply with all applicable laws in regards to the Tendering Process particularly as specified by National Treasury Regulations, Guidelines, Instruction Notes and Practice Notes and other relevant legislation as published from time to time in the Government Gazette; and

19.1.6 submitting all Compulsory Documents.

19.2 Bidders with annual total revenue of R10 million or less qualify as Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a certificate issued by a registered, independent auditor (who or which is not the Bidder or a part of the Bidder) or an accredited verification agency.

19.3 Bidders other than EMEs must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status level verification certificate or a certified copy, or a sworn affidavit thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE status. The submission of such certificates must comply with the requirements of instructions and guidelines issued by National Treasury and be in accordance with the applicable notices published by the Department of Trade and Industry in the Government Gazette.

19.4 The DBSA reserves the right to require of a Bidder, either before a Bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the DBSA.

19.5 Failure to provide the required information may result in disqualification of the Bidder.

20. PREPARATION OF BIDS

20.1 Bidders must ensure that:

20.1.1 their Bid is submitted in the required format as stipulated in this RFP; and

20.1.2 all the required information fields in the Bid are completed in full and contain the information requested by the DBSA.

20.2 The DBSA may in its absolute discretion reject a Bid that does not include the information requested or is not in the format required.

20.3 Unnecessarily elaborate responses or other representations beyond that which is sufficient to present a complete and effective tender proposal are not desired or required. Elaborate and expensive visual and other presentation aids are not necessary.

20.4 Where the Bidder is unwilling to accept a specified condition, the non-acceptance must be clearly and expressly stated. Prominence must be given to the statement detailing the non-
acceptance. It is not sufficient that the statement appears only as part of an attachment to the Bid, or be included in a general statement of the Bidders usual operating conditions.

20.5 An incomplete Bid may be disqualified or assessed solely on the information completed or received with the Bid.

21. ILLEGIBLE CONTENT, ALTERATION AND ERASURES

21.1 Incomplete Bids may be disqualified or evaluated solely on information contained in the Bid.

21.2 The DBSA may disregard any content in a Tender that is illegible and will be under no obligation whatsoever to seek clarification from the Bidder.

21.3 The DBSA may permit a Bidder to correct an unintentional error in its Bid where that error becomes known or apparent after the Closing Time, but in no event will any correction be permitted if the DBSA reasonably considers that the correction would materially alter the substance of the Bid or effect the fairness of the Tendering Process.

22. OBLIGATION TO NOTIFY ERRORS

If, after a Bidder’s Response has been submitted, the Bidder becomes aware of an error in the Bidders Response (including an error in pricing, but excluding clerical errors which would have no bearing on the evaluation of the Bid), the Bidder must promptly notify the DBSA of such error.

23. RESPONSIBILITY FOR BIDDING COSTS

23.1 The Bidders participation or involvement in any stage of the Tendering Process is at the Bidders sole risk, cost and expense. The DBSA will not be held responsible for, or pay for, any expense or loss that may be incurred by Bidders in relation to the preparation or lodgement of their Bid.

23.2 The DBSA is not liable to the Bidder for any costs on the basis of any contractual, promissory or restitutionary grounds whatsoever as a consequence of any matter relating to the Bidders participation in the Tendering Process, including without limitation, instances where:

23.2.1 the Bidder is not engaged to perform under any contract; or

23.2.2 the DBSA exercises any right under this RFP or at law.

24. DISCLOSURE OF BID CONTENTS AND BID INFORMATION

24.1 All Bids received by the DBSA will be treated as confidential. The DBSA will not disclose contents of any Bid and Bid information, except:

24.1.1 as required by law;
24.1.2 for the purpose of investigations by other government authorities having relevant jurisdiction;

24.1.3 to external consultants and advisors of the DBSA engaged to assist with the Tendering Process; or for the general information of Bidders required to be disclosed as per National Treasury Regulations, Guidelines, Instruction Notes or Practice Notes.

25. **USE OF BIDS**

25.1 Upon submission in accordance with the requirements relating to the submission of Bids, all Bids submitted become the property of the DBSA. Bidders will retain all ownership rights in any intellectual property contained in the Bids.

25.2 Each Bidder, by submission of their Bid, is deemed to have licensed the DBSA to reproduce the whole, or any portion, of their Bid for the sole purposes of enabling the DBSA to evaluate the Bid.

26. **BID ACCEPTANCE**

All Bids received must remain open for acceptance for a minimum period of 90 (Ninety) days from the Closing Time. This period may be extended by written mutual agreement between the DBSA and the Bidder.

27. **EVALUATION PROCESS**

27.1 The Bids will be evaluated and adjudicated as follows:

27.1.1 **First Stage – Test for administrative Responsiveness**

The test for administrative responsiveness will include the following:

**Stage 1: Responsiveness**

The Tenderer should be able to provide all the relevant information required in the Supplier Information Form (SIF) which will include but not limited to:

A. Tenderers who do not adhere to those criteria listed a PRE-QUALIFIER, will be disqualified immediately.

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<td>1 Adherence in submitting Tender as two (2) stage envelope (Functionality &amp; Price in the case of Functionality requirement)</td>
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B. Tenderers who do not adhere to the indicated response time for clarifications requested by the Employer will be deemed to be non-responsive and their submissions will not be evaluated further.

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<td>2 Standard conditions of tender as required.</td>
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<td>3 Returnable documents completed and signed.</td>
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<td>4 Submission of Registration with National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) Summary Report: N.B - Bidder must be fully registered &amp; tax compliant in order to do business with the DBSA.</td>
<td>48 Hours</td>
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<td>5 A valid and active Tax Compliance Status Pin issued by SARS.</td>
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Only those Bidders which satisfy all of the Pre-Qualifying Criteria will be eligible to participate in the Tendering Process further. Bids which do not satisfy all of the Pre-Qualifying Criteria will not be evaluated further.

27.1.2 Second Stage – Functional evaluation criteria

Bidders will be assessed on the functional evaluation criteria set out in this RFP. Only those Bidders which comply with the functional evaluation criteria will proceed to the next stage.

27.1.3 Third Stage – price and preferential points

27.1.3.1 Those Bidders which have passed the initial and first stages of the tender process will be scored on the basis of price in accordance with the applicable legislation.

27.1.3.2 The successful Bidder will be the Bidder that scores the highest number of points in the third stage of the Bid evaluation, unless the DBSA exercises its right to cancel the RFP,

27.2 NB: Bidders are required to submit, as Annexure J to their Bids, any documentation which supports the responses provided in respect of the Eligibility Criteria below.

27.3 Qualification: Pre-Qualifying Criteria

27.3.1 The following Pre-Qualifying Criteria will be applied in the initial stage of the evaluation. Bidders who do not meet all of the Pre-Qualifying Criteria will not be considered for award of the tender.

27.3.2 Bidders are required to complete the table below by indicating whether they comply with the requirement by marking the appropriate column with an ‘X’ below. Bidders are required to submit supporting documentation evidencing their compliance with each requirement, where applicable.
Note: A tender that fails to meet any Pre-Qualifying Criteria stipulated herein in the tender documents is an unacceptable tender.

27.4 **Second Stage: Functional Criteria**

27.4.1 Bidders will be assessed on the eligibility criteria set out in this RFP. Only those Bidders which comply with the functional evaluation criteria will proceed to the next stage.

27.4.2 The Functional Criteria that will be used to test the capability of Bidders are as follows:

The proposed Functional Evaluation Criteria is as follows:

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<td>Bidder will provide methodology on how the readiness project will be delivered.</td>
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<td><strong>Team expertise</strong></td>
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| Detailed CVs of resources to be deployed to the assignment will be attached to the bid. Minimum masters degree and 10 years experience for lead service provider and a bachelor’s degree (masters for legal) for other experts. All experts shall have at least 8 years experience. | Excellent: Lead service provider has relevant qualifications and 10 years or more experience with team and team experts have 8 or more experience and relevant qualifications. **Score: 35**  
**Good:** Lead service provider has relevant experience together with the team having 5-8 years experience and more and relevant qualifications. **Score: 25**  
**Poor:** Lead service provider has relevant qualifications and 3-6 years or more experience whilst experts have 2-4 years working in their fields with relevant qualifications **Score: 10**  
**Insufficient:** Lead service provider has no relevant qualifications and has less than 5 years’ experience and team of experts have less than 1 year and qualifications not relevant. **Score 0** | 35        |
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<td><strong>Excellent:</strong> All experts are Lesotho nationals, the team is gender balanced. <strong>Score: 15</strong>&lt;br&gt;Good: Half of experts are Lesotho nationals and all male: <strong>Score 10</strong>&lt;br&gt;Poor: Only 1 expert a Lesotho national and no women in team: <strong>Score 5</strong>&lt;br&gt;Insufficient: Team members all non-Lesotho nationals, no women and other vulnerable groups in team. <strong>Score 0</strong></td>
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| Totals | 100 |
| Threshold | 70 |

Only bidders who score 70 points and above (out of a possible 100) during the functional evaluation will qualify for third stage valuation.

27.5 **Third Stage: Price Assessment**

27.5.1 the third stage of evaluation of the Bids will be in respect of price only.

28. **STATUS OF BID**

28.1 Each Bid constitutes an irrevocable offer by the Bidder to the DBSA to provide the Services required and otherwise to satisfy the requirements of the Specification as set out in this RFP.

28.2 A Bid must not be conditional on:

28.2.1 the Board approval of the Bidder or any related governing body of the Bidder being obtained;

28.2.2 the Bidder conducting due diligence or any other form of enquiry or investigation;

28.2.3 the Bidder (or any other party) obtaining any regulatory approval or consent;

28.2.4 the Bidder obtaining the consent or approval of any third party; or

28.2.5 the Bidder stating that it wishes to discuss or negotiate any commercial terms of the contract.
28.3 The DBSA may, in its absolute discretion, disregard any Bid that is, or is stated to be, subject to any one or more of the conditions detailed above (or any other relevant conditions).

28.4 The DBSA reserves the right to accept a Bid in part or in whole or to negotiate with a Bidder in accordance with the provisions of this RFP and the applicable laws and regulations.

29. CLARIFICATION OF BIDS

29.1 The DBSA may seek clarification from and enter into discussions with any or all of the Bidders in relation to their Bid. The DBSA may use the information obtained when clarification is sought or discussions are had in interpreting the Bid and evaluating the cost and risk of accepting the Bid. Failure to supply clarification to the satisfaction of the DBSA may render the Bid liable to disqualification.

29.2 The DBSA is under no obligation to seek clarification of anything in a Bid and reserves the right to disregard any clarification that the DBSA considers to be unsolicited or otherwise impermissible or irrelevant in accordance with the rules set out in this RFP.

30. DISCUSSION WITH BIDDERS

30.1 The DBSA may elect to engage in detailed discussions with any one or more Bidder(s), with a view to maximising the benefits of this RFP as measured against the evaluation criteria and in fully understanding a Bidder’s offer.

30.2 As part of the evaluation of this Bid, DBSA will invite Bidders to give a presentation to the DBSA in relation to their submissions.

30.3 The DBSA is under no obligation to undertake discussions with, and Bidders.

30.4 In addition to presentations and discussions, the DBSA may request some or all Bidders to:
   30.4.1 conduct a site visit, if applicable;
   30.4.2 provide references or additional information; and/or
   30.4.3 make themselves available for panel interviews.

31. SUCCESSFUL BIDS

31.1 Selection as a successful Bidder does not give rise to a contract (express or implied) between the successful Bidder and the DBSA for the supply of the Services. No legal relationship will exist between the DBSA and a successful Bidder for the supply of the Services until such time as a binding contract is executed by them.

31.2 The DBSA may, in its absolute discretion, decide not to enter into pre-contractual negotiations with a successful Bidder.
31.3 A Bidder is bound by its Bid and all other documents forming part of the Bidder’s Response and, if selected as a successful Bidder, must enter into a contract on the basis of the Bid with or without further negotiation.

32. **NO OBLIGATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT**

32.1 The DBSA is under no obligation to appoint a successful Bidder or Bidders (as the case may be), or to enter into a contract with a successful Bidder or any other person, if it is unable to identify a Bid that complies in all relevant respects with the requirements of the DBSA, or if due to changed circumstances, there is no longer a need for the Services requested, or if funds are no longer available to cover the total envisaged expenditure. For the avoidance of any doubt, in these circumstances the DBSA will be free to proceed via any alternative process.

32.2 The DBSA may conduct a debriefing session for all Bidders (successful and unsuccessful). Attendance at such debriefing session is optional.

33. **BIDDER WARRANTIES**

33.1 By submitting a Bid, a Bidder warrants that:

33.1.1 it did not rely on any express or implied statement, warranty or representation, whether oral, written, or otherwise made by or on behalf of the DBSA, its officers, employees, or advisers other than any statement, warranty or representation expressly contained in the RFP;

33.1.2 it did not use the improper assistance of DBSA’s employees or information unlawfully obtained from them in compiling its Bid;

33.1.3 it is responsible for all costs and expenses related to the preparation and lodgement of its Bid, any subsequent negotiation, and any future process connected with or relating to the Tendering Process;

33.1.4 it accepts and will comply with the terms set out in this RFP; and

33.1.5 it will provide additional information in a timely manner as requested by the DBSA to clarify any matters contained in the Bid.

34. **DBSA’S RIGHTS**

34.1 Notwithstanding anything else in this RFP, and without limiting its rights at law or otherwise, the DBSA reserves the right, in its absolute discretion at any time, to:

34.1.1 cease to proceed with, or suspend the Tendering Process prior to the execution of a formal written contract;

34.1.2 alter the structure and/or the timing of this RFP or the Tendering Process;
34.1.3 vary or extend any time or date specified in this RFP
34.1.4 terminate the participation of any Bidder or any other person in the Tendering Process;
34.1.5 require additional information or clarification from any Bidder or any other person;
34.1.6 provide additional information or clarification;
34.1.7 negotiate with any one or more Bidder;
34.1.8 call for new Bid;
34.1.9 reject any Bid received after the Closing Time; or
34.1.10 reject any Bid that does not comply with the requirements of this RFP.

35. GOVERNING LAWS
35.1 This RFP and the Tendering Process are governed by the laws of the Republic of South Africa.
35.2 Each Bidder must comply with all relevant laws in preparing and lodging its Bid and in taking part in the Tendering Process.
35.3 All Bids must be completed using the English language and all costing must be in South African Rand.

36. MANDATORY QUESTIONS
36.1 Bidders shall provide full and accurate answers to all (including mandatory) questions posed in this document, and, are required to explicitly state “Comply/Accept” or “Do not comply/Do not accept” (with a √ or an X) regarding compliance with the requirements. Where necessary, the Bidders shall substantiate their response to a specific question.

NOTE: It is mandatory for Bidders to complete or answer this part fully; failure to do so result the Bid being treated as incomplete and the Bid may be disqualified.

36.1.1 This Bid is subject to the General Conditions of Contract stipulated in this RFP document. Comply/Accept Do not comply/Do not accept

36.1.2
The laws of the Republic of South Africa shall govern this RFP and the Bidders hereby accept that the courts of the Republic of South Africa shall have the jurisdiction.

| 36.1.3 | The DBSA shall not be liable for any costs incurred by the Bidder in the preparation of response to this RFP. The preparation of response shall be made without obligation to acquire any of the items included in any Bidder’s proposal or to select any proposal, or to discuss the reasons why such vendor’s or any other proposal was accepted or rejected. |

| 36.1.4 | The DBSA may request written clarification or further information regarding any aspect of this proposal. The Bidders must supply the requested information in writing within two working days after the request has been made, otherwise the proposal may be disqualified. |

| 36.1.5 | In the case of Consortium, Joint Venture or subcontractors, Bidders are required to provide copies of signed agreements stipulating the work split and Rand value. |

| 36.1.6 | In the case of Consortium, Joint Venture or subcontractors, all Bidders are required to provide mandatory documents as stipulated in Part C: Checklist of Compulsory Returnable Schedules and Documents of the Tender Document. |

36.1.7
The DBSA reserves the right to; cancel or reject any proposal and not to award the proposal to the lowest Bidder or award parts of the proposal to different Bidders, or not to award the proposal at all.

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Where applicable, Bidders who are distributors, resellers and installers of network equipment are required to submit back-to-back agreements and service level agreements with their principals.

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By submitting a proposal in response to this RFP, the Bidders accept the evaluation criteria as it stands.

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Where applicable, the DBSA reserves the right to run benchmarks on the requirements equipment during the evaluation and after the evaluation.

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The DBSA reserves the right to conduct a pre-award survey during the source selection process to evaluate contractors’ capabilities to meet the requirements specified in the RFP and supporting documents.

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Only the solution commercially available at the proposal closing date shall be considered. No Bids for future solutions shall be accepted.

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The Bidder should not qualify the proposal with own conditions.  
**Caution:** If the Bidder does not specifically withdraw its own conditions of proposal when called upon to do so, the proposal response shall be declared invalid.  

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Delivery of and acceptance of correspondence between the DBSA and the Bidder sent by prepaid registered post (by air mail if appropriate) in a correctly addressed envelope to either party’s postal address or address for service of legal documents shall be deemed to have been received and accepted after (2) two days from the date of postage to the South African Post Office Ltd.  

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Should the parties at any time before and/or after the award of the proposal and prior to, and/or after conclusion of the contract fail to agree on any significant product price or service price adjustments, change in technical specification, change in services, etc. The DBSA shall be entitled within 14 (fourteen) days of such failure to agree, to recall the letter of award and cancel the proposal by giving the Bidder not less than 90 (ninety) days written notice of such cancellation, in which event all fees on which the parties failed to agree increases or decreases shall, for the duration of such notice period, remain fixed on those fee/price applicable prior to the negotiations.  

Such cancellation shall mean that the DBSA reserves the right to award the same proposal to next best Bidders as it deems fit.  

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1. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to select competent subcontractors that meet all the tender requirements stipulated in this tender document.

2. The Bidder shall be responsible for all due diligence of the selected subcontractors and will be held liable for any non-performance of the subcontractor.

3. Bidders are required to provide documentation (such as BBBEE Certificate/Sworn Affidavit, Valid or Active Tax Compliance Status Pin Issued by SARS, CSD Summary Report, Valid or Active CIDB Certificate etc.) for the
relevant subcontractor as a minimum in support of the subcontracting arrangement.

4. Subcontracting must not contradict any Regulation or Legislation.

5. No separate contract shall be entered into between the DBSA and any such subcontractors. Copies of the signed agreements between the relevant parties must be attached to the proposal responses.

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This requirement is mandatory and has to be satisfied by the successful bidder. The successful bidder must be tax compliant prior to appointment/award of the bid as no bid will be awarded to persons who are not tax compliant.

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Company registration with CSD National Treasury Database as a Condition for Appointment/Award of the Bid.

This requirement is mandatory and has to be satisfied by the successful bidder. The successful bidder must be registered on the CSD National Treasury site prior to appointment/award of the bid.

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The following will be grounds for disqualification:

- Unsatisfactory performance under a previous public contract in the past 5 years, provided that notice of such unsatisfactory performance has been given to the bidder; and/or
- The bidder or any of its directors have committed a corrupt or fraudulent act in competing for the appointment; and/or
- The bidder or any of its directors have been convicted of fraud or corruption in the last 5 years; and/or
- The bidder or any of its directors have been listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters under section 9 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act; and/or
- Bids received after the stipulated closure time will be immediately disqualified; and/or
- Bidders whom have recently completed or currently performing, or to commence work on specific categories of services may be excluded to enable the Bank manage its concentration risk. This threshold is currently set at R10 million for consultancy services.
Signature(s) of Bidder or assignee(s) | Date

Name of signing person (in block letters)

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Are you duly authorized to sign this Bid?

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PART E

TERMS OF REFERENCE & PROJECT BRIEF
1. Introduction

The Kingdom of Lesotho (herein referred to as Lesotho) continues to make strides towards managing its climate change related activities and further seek to adapt and ensure resilience of its economy and community to climate events. As Party to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), its amendments and Protocols, the country has submitted the first and second National Communications (NCs) and further committed to taking steps towards reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through its Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC). The National Adaptation Plan of Action (NAPA) and other national policies including the National Climate Change Policy 2017 – 2027 have been developed. In an effort to materialise its climate mitigation and adaptation targets, Lesotho intentionally makes national fiscal allocations and further works with the international community including climate and environment funds such as the Global Environment Facility (GEF) and GCF, its bilateral partners and others to mobilize additional resources to implement programmes and projects that will position the country at a low-carbon and climate resilience pathway. Several programmes and projects have been completed and some currently under implementation.

Lesotho is eligible for accessing climate funds from the GCF as a least developed African state. To be able to do so, the country got approval under the GCF Readiness and Preparatory Support Programme (the Readiness Programme). The programme is designed to support countries’ engagement with the GCF, building of a pipeline of climate change projects and enhance country ownership. GCF resources in the readiness programme are in the form of grants or technical assistance.

2. Background

Despite evident efforts made, including building and strengthening partnerships for tackling the climate change challenge, Lesotho still faces organizational, capacity and financial challenges that inhibit it to adequately address this issue. Hence, the Government of Lesotho (GoL) submitted a request to GCF for support to establish appropriate institutional frameworks that will enable the country to benefit from the available GCF direct access financing window. The support will strengthen the ability of the country to participate in different mechanisms directed to facilitate mitigation and adaptation to the effects of climate change and to fulfil its country’s obligations and commitments to the UNFCCC.
The Lesotho Meteorological Services (LMS) has been nominated by the GoL as the GCF focal point. The GoL has further identified the ministry that will function as the National Designated Authority (NDA) and will formally communicate this key milestone to the GCF in the near future. Legal arrangements between the GoL and GCF will be concluded thereafter. The Development Bank of Southern Africa (DBSA) is the accredited entity (AE) for the readiness project for Lesotho. The Bank will work closely with LMS and other key stakeholders to deliver the country’s “Strengthening Lesotho’s National Designated Authority and Developing Strategic Frameworks” (the “readiness project”) project. The Readiness Support project for Lesotho comprises of the following components:

i. Identification of the focal point and NDA.
ii. Climate finance baseline analysis
iii. Capacity building
iv. Institutional Strengthening and climate mainstreaming
v. Awareness on climate change and GCF role as a funding mechanism
vi. Stakeholder analysis and engagement
vii. Development of a GCF country programme

3. Scope of Work

Subsequent to the approval of the project by the GCF, the DBSA on behalf of the GoL seeks to appoint a lead service provider that will coordinate the implementation and delivery of the readiness project. The service provider shall lead a team of consultants, preferably Lesotho nationals that will deliver different outcomes of the broader readiness support assignment. The service provider, under the guidance of the project coordination team (constituted by LMS and DBSA) will be accountable for the delivery of the overall project and will report to the project steering committee. The following activities will be undertaken:

3.1 Climate finance baseline analysis

The service provider will conduct a desktop study and other information-gathering activities to identify and document existing climate change and financing trends. A climate finance gap report providing a good synopsis of current practices on the subject matter will be a good foundation in the process of identifying and developing the country’s project
pipeline. The formulation of a sound GCF country programme and prioritisation of programmes or projects will be aided by a comprehensive situational analysis of climate finance. A climate finance gap analysis report will be produced as a deliverable for this component.

3.2 Stakeholder mapping and engagement

Achievement of climate change objectives will only happen when all stakeholders play their role. Hence, the consultant is tasked with mapping out all players in the field of climate change, financing and implementation, defining their roles and processes through which they will be engaged in accessing funds from GCF going forward. The involvement of women and vulnerable groups in climate change and finance must be taken into consideration. To fulfil this role, the consultant will consult different role players through several forms of communication including stakeholder workshops and meetings. The outcome of this component will be a stakeholder mapping report, and a detailed stakeholder engagement plan.

3.3 Capacity Building

The key outcome of the readiness project is to ensure that the country’s identified NDA is well trained to ensure effective engagement with the GCF, coordinate domestic institutional arrangements working with relevant stakeholders to identify, implement programmes/projects and manage funds responsibly. In this component, the service provider will perform the following capacity building activities:

- Capacity needs assessment – this exercise will result in a capacity needs assessment report that provides an outlook on capabilities that are available, and skills needed to perform climate finance activities effectively;
- Development of a capacity-building plan;
- Formulation of training material; and
- Carry out capacity building to the NDA

3.4 Institutional strengthening

Establishment of the identified NDA office is outside the scope of the service provider that is currently being sought to deliver this project. However, the service provider has
the responsibility of conducting a thorough review of the Privileges and Immunities Agreement that may be put in place between Lesotho and the GCF, identifying and providing detailed description of opportunities, challenges and recommendations on action steps that may be taken to ensure a mutually beneficial relationship between the country and the Fund. Development of some of the basic tools necessary for the effective functioning of the NDA in accessing GCF funds including formulation of the “No Objection” procedure shall be performed by the DBSA in collaboration with LMS. In the component of strengthening institutional arrangements, the service provider will also develop the system for transparent and accountable management of climate change activities and GCF funds by the NDA. The expected output in this component is a monitoring and reporting strategy. As part of operationalisation of the monitoring and reporting strategy, the service provider will also provide training to the NDA.

### 3.5 Awareness on climate change and GCF role as a funding mechanism

An awareness programme shall be developed, to inform government institutions including the NDA and other stakeholders (NGOs, private and community) about climate change and role of GCF in funding programmes and projects. All stakeholders will be enlightened on the opportunities and processes to access funding from GCF. The service provider will produce awareness material for all different stakeholders. This component will include translation of awareness material to the local Sesotho language.

### 3.6 Development of country programme

Following the mapping out of stakeholders and their roles, conclusion of the climate finance baseline analysis and putting together capacity building and awareness mechanisms, the service provider will work with all stakeholders to identify programmes and projects that may be developed for GCF funding. Programmes and projects are expected to advance climate change priorities that are identified in national policies such as the National Strategy Development Plan II and National Communications and further align with the results management framework of the GCF. The service provider in close consultation with the NDA and key stakeholders will also do prioritisation of programmes and/or projects from the work program. On completion of this activity, the service provider will produce a country programme action plan that will include guidelines outlining amongst others, how climate finance can be integrated into national development plans and clearly define the process for an annual participatory review of the GCF portfolio in
the country. Concept notes for priority programmes and/or projects identified from the country programme will be produced.

4. **Deliverables and timelines**

The key assignment is the delivery of the project titled “Strengthening Lesotho’s National Designated Authority and Developing Strategic Frameworks’ project. The service provider is expected to execute all the activities outlined in the scope of work (see Section 3).

4.1 **Deliverables**

The service provider is responsible for the following outputs:

- **Scoping report** – Following a close analysis of the readiness proposal for Lesotho, the “GCF Readiness Guidebook” and other relevant documents and consultation with key stakeholders, the consultant will produce a scoping report outlining the methodology that will be employed to deliver the assignment, its deliverables (for all components) and timelines.

- **Technical Reports** – the consultant will employ the most effective data collection methodologies including consultation with stakeholders to deliver each of the components outlined in the scope of work (see section 3). Outputs in each component will either be in the form of written reports and/or other types of materials.

- **GCF Readiness report** – the overall deliverable for the project is the Lesotho readiness report, which will integrate all activities and deliverables outlined in the scope of work, delivered in terms of the GCF readiness guideline and the approved proposal. The overall draft report will be submitted to the project steering committee for review. The consultant will be responsible for integrating comments from the steering committee and the GCF.

4.2 **Schedule of Work**

The readiness project will be implemented and completed within twenty-four (24) months. The official commencement date for the consultant is projected to be January 2020.
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5. Competencies

The following competencies for the lead service provider and team members are expected:

- An advanced university degree (PhD or Masters in the field of sustainable development, environment, climate change or related areas. A minimum of 10 years of relevant work experience in the related fields in developing countries.
- Demonstrated experience in conducting analyses or similar assignments, develop, plan or recommend integration of climate change in national policies and conduct capacity building
- Proven track record in institutional development and formulation of operational systems
- Proven track record on successful delivery of high-quality reports and recommendations
- Team lead
- Strong interpersonal skills, and highly developed cultural sensitivity in communicating with all levels of stakeholders, both orally and in writing;
- Experience working in developing countries, and with a diverse range of stakeholders;
- Extremely high level of independence, integrity and impartiality;
- Ability to work under pressure with a high-level of accuracy and attention to detail;
- Fluency in English with excellent drafting skills.

6. Evaluation Criteria

6.1 Functional criteria

Only bidders who score 70 points and above (out of a possible 100) during the functional evaluation will qualify for second stage valuation.

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<td><strong>Excellent</strong>: Lead service provider has relevant qualifications and 10 years or more experience with team and team experts have 8 or more experience and relevant qualifications. <strong>Score: 35</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Good</strong>: Lead service provider has relevant experience together with the team having 5-8</td>
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Appointment of a lead consultant to implement the Kingdom of Lesotho’s Green Climate Fund (GCF) readiness project titled “strengthening Lesotho’s national designated authority and developing strategic frameworks”.

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| bachelor’s degree (masters for legal) for other experts. All experts shall have at least 8 years experience. | years experience and more and relevant qualifications. **Score 25**  
**Poor:** Lead service provider has relevant qualifications and 3-6 years or more experience whilst experts have 2-4 years working in their fields with relevant qualifications **Score: 10**  
**Insufficient:** Lead service provider has no relevant qualifications and has less than 5 years' experience and team of experts have less than 1 year and qualifications not relevant. **Score 0** | **100** |
| Recruitment of Lesotho Nationals: The lead service provider may be of any nationality however, experts that will constitute the project team shall be Lesotho nationals. Efforts should be made to include women and other vulnerable individuals in the team. | **Excellent:** All experts are Lesotho nationals, the team is gender balanced. **Score: 15**  
**Good:** Half of experts are Lesotho nationals and all male: **Score 10**  
**Poor:** Only 1 expert a Lesotho national and no women in team: **Score 5**  
**Insufficient:** Team members all non-Lesotho nationals, no women and other vulnerable groups in team. **Score 0** | **15** |
| References The bidder should provide 3 reference letters with contacts, clearly demonstrating involvement in readiness projects or same kind of work in the past. | **Excellent:** 3 letters or more of similar projects with relevant experience. **Score: 20**  
**Good:** 2 letters of similar projects with relevant experience. **Score: 15**  
**Poor:** 1 letter of a similar project with relevant experience: **Score:6**  
**Insufficient:** no reference letters, no relevant experience. **Score 0** | **20** |
| Totals | **100** |
| Threshold | **70** |
Annexure A

Fees and Assumptions

FORM OF OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE (AGREEMENT)

FORM OF OFFER

THE CONSULTANT IS TO COMPLETE AND SIGN THE FORM OF OFFER

The Employer, identified in the Acceptance signature block, has solicited offers to enter into a contract in respect of the following services:

Appointment of a lead consultant to implement the Kingdom of Lesotho’s Green Climate Fund (GCF) readiness project titled “strengthening Lesotho’s national designated authority and developing strategic frameworks” – RFP012/2020

The Tenderer, identified in the Offer signature block below, has examined the documents listed in the Tender Data and addenda thereto as listed in the Tender Schedules, and by submitting this Offer has accepted the Conditions of Tender.

By the representative of the Tenderer, deemed to be duly authorised, signing this part of this Form of Offer and Acceptance, the Tenderer offers to perform all of the obligations and liabilities of the consultant under the Contract including compliance with all its terms and conditions according to their true intent and meaning for an amount to be determined in accordance with the Conditions of Contract identified in the Contract Data.

THE OFFERED TOTAL OF THE PRICES INCLUSIVE OF VALUE ADDED TAX IS

__________________________________________________________

_________________________________________ (in words);  ZAR ___________________________ (in figures),

This offer may be accepted by the Employer by signing the Acceptance part of this Form of Offer and Acceptance and returning one copy of this document to the Tenderer before the end of the period of validity stated in the Tender Data, whereupon the Tenderer becomes the party named as the consultant in the Conditions of Contract identified in the Contract Data.

Signature(s)

Name(s)

Capacity
Appointment of a lead consultant to implement the Kingdom of Lesotho’s Green Climate Fund (GCF) readiness project titled “strengthening Lesotho’s national designated authority and developing strategic frameworks”.

For the Tenderer

(Name and address of organisation)

Name and signature of witness

Date
Annexure B

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state¹, or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes a price quotation, advertised competitive bid, limited bid or proposal). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where-

   - the bidder is employed by the state; and/or

   - the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

2. In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

   2.1 Full Name of bidder or his or her representative: ..............................................................

   2.2 Identity Number: .................................................................................................................

   2.3 Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder²): ................................

   2.4 Company Registration Number: ..........................................................................................

   2.5 Tax Reference Number: .....................................................................................................

   2.6 VAT Registration Number: ...............................................................................................

   2.6.1 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if applicable, employee / persal numbers must be indicated in paragraph 3 below.

¹“State” means –
(a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999);
(b) any municipality or municipal entity;
(c) provincial legislature;
(d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or
(e) Parliament.
2.7 Are you or any person connected with the bidder presently employed by the state?  
YES / NO

2.7.1 If so, furnish the following particulars:

Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member: ..................................................
Name of state institution at which you or the person connected to the bidder is employed: ..................................................
Position occupied in the state institution: ..................................................

Any other particulars:
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2.7.2 If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain the appropriate authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the public sector?  
YES / NO

2.7.2.1 If yes, did you attached proof of such authority to the bid document?  
YES / NO

(Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid.)

2.7.2.2 If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:
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2.8 Did you or your spouse, or any of the company’s directors / trustees / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve months?  
YES / NO

2.8.1 If so, furnish particulars:
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2.9 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have any relationship (family, friend, other) with a person employed by the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?  
YES / NO

2.9.1 If so, furnish particulars.
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“Shareholder” means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the enterprise or business and exercises control over the enterprise.
2.10 Are you, or any person connected with the bidder, **YES/NO** aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any person employed by the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid?

2.10.1 If so, furnish particulars.

________________________________________________________________________

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2.11 Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members **YES/NO** of the company have any interest in any other related companies whether or not they are bidding for this contract?

2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3. **Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.**

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4. DECLARATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME)…………………………………………………………………………………..

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 23 OF THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

.............................................. ..............................................
Signature Date

................................................ ..............................................
Position Name of bidder
DESERATION OF BIDDER’S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

1. This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.

2. It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.

3. The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have:
   a. abused the institution’s supply chain management system;
   b. committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
   c. failed to perform on any previous contract.

4. In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

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<td>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury’s Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector? (Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the restriction after the <em>audi alteram partem</em> rule was applied). The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury’s website (<a href="http://www.treasury.gov.za">www.treasury.gov.za</a>) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)? The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury’s website (<a href="http://www.treasury.gov.za">www.treasury.gov.za</a>) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</td>
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<td>Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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4.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

4.4 Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?

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4.4.1 If so, furnish particulars:

SBD 8

CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME)…………………………………………………………………

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT, IN ADDITION TO CANCELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

.............................................. ..........................................
Signature Date

.............................................. ..........................................
Position Name of Bidder

.............................................. ..........................................
Position Name of Bidder
Annexure E

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.

2 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.

3 Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
   a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution’s supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
   b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.

4 This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.

5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

¹ Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.

² Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.
CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

________________________________________________________________________

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

________________________________________________________________________

(Name of Institution)

do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

I certify, on behalf of:__________________________________________________________that:

(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word “competitor” shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:

(a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
(b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
(c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium\(^3\) will not be construed as collusive bidding.

7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:

(a) prices;

(b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)

(c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;

(d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;

(e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or

(f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.

8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.

9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

\(^3\) Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.
10. I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

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SignatureDate

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Position Name of Bidder
Annexure F

Bidders are required to include, as Annexure F to their Bids, certified copies of all relevant CIPC registration documents listing all members with percentages, in the case of a close corporation.
Annexure G

Bidders are required, as annexure G to their Bids, to submit certified copies of the latest share certificates of all relevant companies.
Annexure H

Bidders which submit Bids as an unincorporated joint venture, consortium or other association of persons are required to submit, as Annexure H, a breakdown of how the percentage (%) fees and work will be split between the various people or entities which constitute the Bidder.
Annexure I

Bidders are required to include, as Annexure I to their Bids, supporting documents to their responses to the Pre-Qualifying Criteria and Evaluation Criteria.

Where the supporting document is the profile of a member of the Bidder’s proposed team, this should be indicated.
Annexure J

[General Conditions of Contract]

PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO READ THROUGH THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT PRESCRIBED BY THE NATIONAL TREASURY. SUCH GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT CAN BE ACCESSED ON THE NATIONAL TREASURY WEBSITE.

PLEASE NOTE FURTHER THAT ALL BIDDERS MUST ENSURE THAT THEY ARE WELL ACQUINTED WITH THE RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF ALL PARTIES INVOLVED IN DOING BUSINESS WITH GOVERNMENT.

NOTE: All Bidders are required to confirm (Tick applicable box) below:

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Annexure K

Tax Compliant Status and CSD Registration Requirements

All PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS MUST HAVE A TAX COMPLIANT STATUS EITHER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) OF THE NATIONAL TREASURY OR SARS E FILING PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT/AWARD OF THE BID.

REGISTRATION ON THE CSD SITE OF THE NATIONAL TREASURY IS A COMPULSORY REQUIREMENT FOR A BIDDER TO BE APPOINTED, TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH THE DBSA. THE ONUS IS ON THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER TO REGISTER ON THE CSD SITE AND PROVIDE PROOF OF SUCH REGISTRATION PRIOR TO APPOINTMENT/AWARD OF THE BID.

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