# 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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<td>➢ Timely submission means that the file must be successfully uploaded by the deadline of 15th July 2022 before 23:55.</td>
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In case of problems with the e-submission please contact: e-procurement@exicon.de

NB: Electronic submission is encouraged for all bidder’s interest in this tender bid

Closing date 15 July 2022 before 23:55. All bids must be in on the 15th of July 2022.

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| BIDDER’S STAMP OR SIGNATURE |
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PART A
INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SOUTHERN AFRICA LIMITED (“DBSA”)

BID NUMBER: RFP104/2022

DESCRIPTION:


NON-COMPULSORY BRIEFING: N/A

LINK REQUESTS: Bidders are asked to nominate one dedicated contact person (name, email address and phone number). The nomination shall be sent to the Tender Officer via email VusiSCM@dbsa.org by latest on 30th June 2022 at 23:55 prior to expiry of the deadline for submission. The data shall be used to set up an e-procurement system for this tender submission. The operator of this e-procurement system (exficon GmbH, Frankfurt a.M., Germany) will revert to the persons authorised for electronic submission with an invitation email containing the access link to the system. It is recommended to log in after receipt to make sure that there are no technical difficulties.

Any requests after the stipulated date and time will be disregarded.

CLOSING DATE: 15 July 2022
CLOSING TIME: 23H55

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

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.

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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 SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE LINK PROVIDED. 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)?

3.2. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?

3.3. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?

3.4. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?

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 in separate folders; Folder 1 - for Pre-Qualifying Criteria and Functional Evaluation Folder 2 - Price / Financial Proposal – Electronic submission

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

Annexure L: KfW Declaration of Undertaking
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 27.6 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: [VusiSCM@dbsa.org](mailto:VusiSCM@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

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CLOSING DATE: **15 July 2022**
CLOSING TIME: **23:55**

**NB:** No Physical submission will be accepted for this bid. Bidders must ensure that they follow the instructions for the electronic submission.
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 vusiSCM@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, (VusiSCM@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 120 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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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>4 Submission of Proof of Registration with National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) Summary Report or A Valid and Active Tax Compliance Status Pin issued by SARS for Tax Compliance Status Verification: N.B - Bidder must be fully registered &amp; tax compliant in order to do business with the DBSA.</td>
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Only those Bidders which satisfy all of the Pre-Qualifying Criteria of the First Stage will be eligible to participate in the Tendering Process further. Bids which do not satisfy all of the Pre-Qualifying Criteria of the First Stage will not be evaluated further.

27.1.2 **Second Stage – Functional criteria**

27.1.1 Only those Bidders which score [70] points or higher (out of a possible 100) during the functional evaluation of the Second Stage will be evaluated further during the second stage of the Bid. Bidders are required to submit supporting documentation evidencing their compliance with each requirement, where applicable.

Bidders will be assessed on the functional criteria (Second Stage) as set out in this RFP. Only those Bidders which comply with the eligibility criteria will proceed to the Third Stage.

27.1.2 **Third Stage – price and preferential points**

27.1.2.1 Those Bidders which have passed the First Stage (Responsiveness Test) and Second Stage (Functional Evaluation) of the tender process will be eligible to be evaluated in the Third Stage based on price and preference point allocation in accordance with the PPPFA Regulations.

27.1.2.2 The recommended preferred 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, in line with the PPPFA Regulations.

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 **First Stage: Pre-Qualifying Criteria**

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. Please refer to the table above.

**Note:** A tender that fails to meet any Pre-Qualifying Criteria stipulated herein in the tender documents is an unacceptable tender. Please refer to the table above.

27.4 **Second Stage: Functional Criteria**

The Functional Criteria that will be used to test the capability of Bidders are as follows: The technical proposal will be evaluated according to the criteria and scoring system indicated under terms of reference section on page 46 - 47. The technical score will be calculated out of 100 points, and only those bids that achieve a threshold of 70 points for the technical proposal will move to the next level of evaluation where a score for price and BBBEE.

27.5 A minimum of **70 points out of a 100** for the functional evaluation will qualify the Bid to move on to the Third Stage of evaluation, which is price and preferential point’s evaluation. Bidders that do not score 70 points or higher at this stage of the evaluation will not be evaluated during the Third Stage of the evaluation.

27.6 **Third Stage: Price and Preferential Points Assessment**

27.6.1 The Third Stage of evaluation of the Bids will be in respect of price and preferential procurement only. Points will be allocated to Bidders at this stage of the evaluation in accordance with the PPPFA and the PPPFA Regulations, as follows:

- Price points 80
- Preferential procurement points 20

27.6.2 **Price points**

The following formula will be used to calculate the points for price:

\[ Ps = 80 \times (1 - (Pt - P_{\text{min}})/P_{\text{min}}) \]

Where:
Ps = Points scored for comparative price of tender or offer under consideration;
Pt = Comparative price of tender or offer under consideration; and
Pmin = Comparative price of lowest acceptable tender or offer.

27.6.3 Preferential procurement points

A maximum of 20 points may be awarded in respect of preferential procurement, which points must be awarded to a tenderer for attaining their B-BBEE Status Level in accordance with the table below:

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An unincorporated trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate Bid.

27.6.4 Total

The total points scored by each Bidder will be calculated by adding the points scored for price (out of 80) to the points scored for preferential procurement (out of 20).

The successful Bidder will be the Bidder which has the highest total points (out of 100) for both price and preferential procurement (unless there is a basis for selecting a different successful Bidder in accordance with section 2(1)(f) of the PPPFA).

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.  

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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. | Comply/Accept | Do not comply/Do not accept |
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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. | Comply/Accept | Do not comply/Do not accept |

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<td>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.</td>
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<td>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.</td>
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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.

36.1.16
In the case of a consortium or JV, each of the authorised enterprise’s members and/or partners of the different enterprises must co-sign this document.

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36.1.17
Any amendment or change of any nature made to this RFP shall only be of force and effect if it is in writing, signed by the DBSA signatory and added to this RFP as an addendum.

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36.1.18
Failure or neglect by either party to (at any time) enforce any of the provisions of this proposal shall not, in any manner, be construed to be a waiver of any of that party’s right in that regard and in terms of this proposal. Such failure or neglect shall not, in any manner, affect the continued, unaltered validity of this proposal, or prejudice the right of that party to institute subsequent action.

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Bidders who make use of subcontractors:

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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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| 36.1.22 | Evaluation of Bids shall be performed by an evaluation panel established by the DBSA. | Comply/Accept | Do not comply/Do not accept |
**Bids** shall be evaluated on the basis of conformance to the required specifications (functionality) as outlined in the RFP. For Bids considered for price and preference evaluation, points shall be allocated to each Bidder, on the basis that the maximum number of points that may be scored for price is 80, and the maximum number of preference points that may be claimed for B-BBEE status level of contributor (according to the PPPFA Regulations) is 20.

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### 36.1.27

| Should the Bidder change any wording or phrase in this document, the Bid shall be evaluated as though no change has been effected and the original wording or phrasing shall be used. |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Comply/Accept       | Do not           |
| comply/Do           |
| not accept          |

### 36.1.28

| Tax Compliance Status either on CSD National Treasury Database or SARS eFiling System as a Condition for Appointment/Award of the Bid. |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Comply/Accept           | Do not           |
| comply/Do               | not accept       |

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.

### 36.1.29

| Company registration with CSD National Treasury Database as a Condition for Appointment/Award of the Bid. |
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| Comply/Accept           | Do not           |
| comply/Do               | not accept       |

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.
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.

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Signature(s) of Bidder or assignee(s)  
Date

Name of signing person (in block letters)

Capacity

Are you duly authorized to sign this Bid?

Name of Bidder (in block letters)

Postal address (in block letters)
Domicilium citandi et executandi in the RSA (full street address of this place) (in block letters)

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PART E
TERMS OF REFERENCE & PROJECT BRIEF
1. INTRODUCTION

This document serves as the requirement of the IPP Office for the study to be undertaken by a team on consultants appointed by the DBSA to research on the Implementation of the Renewable Energy Development Zones (REDZ) and Collector Stations Enablement to facilitate the IPP Programmes as per the IRP and the Determination promulgated in the Government Gazette No. 43734 on the 25 September 2020.

The study will be funded by a grant from KFW to support the IPP Office and administered by the DBSA. The Scope of Work (SOW) is described in this document. The requirements as specified in this document are to be followed for developing proposals by respondents.

2. BACKGROUND

The IRP 2019 has planned that there will be 17 742 MW of Wind and 8 288 MW of solar PV new generation capacity in the South African power system by 2030. This is new generation capacity that will need to be rapidly increased as the old fossil fuel fleet reaches the end of its life. One of the most challenging aspects of integrating Renewable Energy (RE) plants (as opposed to fossil plants) is that they are dispersed over a large area and that the output variability could potentially cause stability problems. The experience with the initial rounds of the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement Programme (REIPPPP) revealed that integrating the RE projects at Transmission level has the following challenges:

- RE resources are located in areas where capacity is limited, this capacity has since been depleted in certain areas;
- In areas where there is capacity, suboptimal connection of these RE projects often causes a phenomenon termed blocking, where more capacity cannot be connected as IPP’s have taken all available bays or are physically surrounding a substation making access for others difficult;
- Network strength in these areas tend to be low resulting in potential grid stability problems; and
- Because RE programmes are not location specific, it is not possible to target networks which should be strengthened in each round, in most cases winning bids have to be known before network strengthening projects can be built, this may result in project implementation delays.
**Previous Work**

Eskom, CSIR, and Department Environment Fisheries and Forestry (DEFF) have previously conducted work in order to facilitate the connection of future renewables, the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) project culminated in the gazetting of several REDZ and strategic corridors wherein and an expedited Environmental assessment is envisaged, cutting the time of these assessments in affected areas from 2 years to 6 months.

![Figure 1: Strategic Corridors and Initial REDZ from the SEA Project](image)

Eskom Transmission has also produced a GCCA (Grid Connection Capacity Assessment) document which indicates the network capacity and assists the industry in terms of high level initial grid capacity assessment. Although the SEA work and the GCCA assist in facilitating connections, much still needs to be done in terms of designs and enablement of grid infrastructure development to facilitate IPP connections. Eskom has mooted a previously collector station framework to enable orderly and optimal connection of IPP’s within a REDZ or any other areas where there is a high concentration of renewables.

**Study Areas**

The following areas have been identified (in no particular order) as potential study areas, budgetary constraints will dictate which are selected first:

- **Study Area A:** Area within the Renewable Energy development zone 3 (REDZ3: Cookhouse) and the area within the Poseidon B substation 60km radius bubble
- **Study Area B:** Area within by REDZ11: Beaufort West and the area within the Gamma substation 60km radius bubble
- **Study Area C:** The area within the Iziko B substation 60km radius bubble
- **Study Area D:** The area within the Hydra B substation 60km radius bubble
- **Study Area E:** The area within the REDZ2: Komsberg and the area within the Komsberg substation 60km radius bubble
Study Area F: Area within by REDZ8: Springbok and the area within the Groeipunt and Aggeneis substations 60km radius bubble.

Study Area G: The area within the Helios substation 60km radius bubble

Study Area H: The area within the Kronos substation 60km radius bubble

Study Area I: Area within by REDZ7: Upington and the area within Upington and Nieuwehoop substations 60km radius bubbles Study Area J:

The area within the REDZ5: Kimberly and the area within the Boundary substation 60km radius bubble

Study Area K: The area within the REDZ6: Vryburg and the area within the Mookodi substation 60km radius bubble

Study Area L: The area within the Ferrum substation 60km radius bubble

Study Area M: The area within the Olien substation 60km radius bubble

Study Area N: The area within the Juno substation 60km radius bubble

Study Area O: The area within the Aurora substation 60km radius bubble

Study Area P: The area within the Thyspunt substation 60km radius bubble

Figure 2 shows the demarcation of the various study areas, shape files for these REDZ and substations are provided as a geo-package file consisting of:

1) The IPP EIA applications layer;
2) Substation 60km radius layer;
3) REDZ layers;
4) Provincial Boundaries layer; and
5) Transmission line layers

the IPP EIA applications layer will assist with the amount of applications for PV and wind connections in each area, further layers indicating applications received may be provided in the later stages of the project. All the information will be provided via a secure access portal and is to be treated as strictly confidential and may not be shared with other parties.
In view of the above, there is a requirement to appoint a team of suitably experienced and qualified Transaction Advisers to assist and support the IPP Office in performing the above research study. The team of Transaction Advisers will consist of:

- Legal Advisers i.e. Environmental and Regulatory Specialists;
- Financial Advisers; and
- Technical Advisers i.e. Environmental Specialists, GIS specialists, Network Planning Specialists and Costing Engineers.

3. PURPOSE

To deliver a comprehensive study and recommendations based on international and local experience as well as best practice of implementing the Renewable Energy Development Zones (REDZ) and Collector Stations Enablement to facilitate the IPP Programmes considering the:

1. Strategic grid connection requirements from market information for Eskom, DEFF and various other stakeholders to create detailed scopes of work for the collector station enablement;
2. Different implementation approaches and select and implement the preferred implementation approach for the REDZ considering the current and potential future Regulatory and legislative environment; and
3. Stakeholder engagements to enable the collector station development available for consideration and implementation according to the IRP 2019 timeline.

4. OVERVIEW OF REQUIREMENT
The IPP Office is looking to procure the services of a suitably experienced team of consultants to apply international and local best practice to implement the Renewable Energy Development Zones (REDZ) and Collector Stations Enablement that will amongst others provide a comprehensive:

Table 1 sets out the scope of work and the expected outcomes for the enablement of different zones to meet the aspirations of IRP 2019, Table 2 shows the allocations of Gas and Renewables in 2021 and 2031 as well as the additional capacity allocated in the period, coordinates are given for the sake of easy handling on the GIS, these coordinates refer to the substation coordinates where connections are required.

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<td>For the defined study areas, provide costing and duration to conduct the work stipulated hereunder.</td>
<td>Geo-package file with the following: 1) Areas with High wind and PV Potential (SEA) 2) EIA Applications from IPPs (DEA) 3) Substation layer with 60km radius demarcation bubble 4) Renewable Energy Development Zones</td>
<td>a) Validate the GIS information provided with the original data sets b) Pre-appraisal of the initial allocation provided by Eskom c) Costing and duration of study for the remaining phases for the different nodes with a table indicating the cost and timing for each area</td>
<td>a) Proof that info has been validated with the sources (Communication) b) Evidence of steps taken to conduct the appraisal of the allocation by Eskom as per Table 2 c) Detailed costing of the different study areas with timelines with each item costed and scheduled</td>
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<td>For the selected AREAS, use current collector design framework/standard to determine the transmission and sub-transmission infrastructure requirements at high level considering the quantity to be connected in each area factoring the GIS information as well as Table 2 below. Please note that a prioritisation exercise will be done to select the areas to study as dictated by budgetary constraints.</td>
<td>1) Collector station framework document (Eskom) 2) Strategic IPP Connection document (Eskom)</td>
<td>a) Short Report on the number of optimally distributed substations, collector substations, and satellite stations</td>
<td>b) Demonstrates application of framework for the allocated capacity to formulate initial requirements c) Table with high level quantities (subs, collectors, and satellite stations) for the study area</td>
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<td>Conduct (DESKTOP) environmental studies to determine possible</td>
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<td>a) GIS layers indicating preliminary routes to</td>
<td>a) GIS layers that are easy to manipulate</td>
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| servitudes that will be required for the infrastructure | accommodate the collector networks  
|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|  
| b) High level bill of quantities for the basic infrastructure per collector network  
| c) Initial load flow study report  
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| c) Initial load flow study report  
| for logically determined layers  
| b) Table of BOQ and Alignment between GIS and Bill of quantities  
| c) Load flow study outputs and case files demonstrating adherence to the Grid code  

## PHASE 3: ENGAGEMENTS WITH STAKEHOLDERS, PRELIM DESIGN ADJUSTMENTS, AND PROCUREMENT STRATEGY

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| Conduct engagements with interested and affected parties with respect to EIA and rights procurement based on desktop studies with the view of PROCURING COMMITMENTS from these parties and evaluating possible fatal flaws. IT MUST BE NOTED THAT THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF WORK DONE BY IPP’S TO PROCURE SERVITUDES AND CONDUCT EIA’s IN MOST OF THE AREAS. TO AVOID DUPLICATION, IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT THE CONSULTANTS LIAISE WITH THE IPP’s WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF ESKOM’s LAND AND RIGHTS DEPARTMENT. | a) Report of each collector network based on these engagements and likelihood of attaining these servitudes based on engagements  
 b) Revised GIS layers indicating likely routes that can be secured and reassigned  
 c) Revised bill of quantities based on the engagements  
 d) Revised allocations based on discussions  
 e) Revised load flow studies and associated case files | a) Minutes of meetings linking parcels of earmarked land with engagements and Signed commitments indicating willingness to release land  
 b) Clear linkage between the GIS Layers and the negotiations  
 c) Clear linkage between GIS layers and BOQ  
 d) Clear linkages between the allocations and the negotiations  
 e) Load flow study outputs and case files demonstrating adherence to grid code |
| Scan legislation for possible concessions of EIA legislation with respect to implementation of REIPPPP (e.g. do IPP’s enjoy a relaxed process of 6 months as sometimes alluded) and make recommendations regarding the identified servitudes and EIA’s. | a) Report recommending the EIA and servitude procurement strategies including expected timelines to procure  
 b) Analysis of the current legislative and regulatory environment, perform and gap analysis and provide proposed solutions to the highlighted gaps. Assessments of the risks associated with changing energy regulatory environment namely, but not limited to, the new Electricity Regulations Act Schedule 2 amendment accommodating for upto 100MW embedded generation and the unbundling of Eskom into separate legal entities of Generation, Transmission and Distribution. | a) Proof of the steps taken to make these recommendation, communication with relevant stakeholders and government departments |

## PHASE 4: FULL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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Table 2: Cumulative Generation Capacity Allocation of Gas and Renewables by 2031

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It is anticipated that the work will be undertaken in collaboration with the IPPs, Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), the IPP Office, DEFF, Eskom, and NERSA.

6 Proposal

Proposals need to clearly state the following information:

1. Understanding of the scope;
2. Research approach and methodology;
3. Applicable experience of the resources including the names qualifications and roles of the
   team members involved;
4. Deliverables (including timelines and cost per deliverable);
5. The table below is indicative of the deliverables, timeframes and must be completed stating
   the resource experience and cost.

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- Resources, rates per person per hour per allocated deliverable. Note that all resource cost need to roll-up to a deliverable;
- Disbursements: As per standard IPP Policy

6 Deliverable Acceptance Criteria

Deliverables will only be paid once accepted by the IPP Office. The following deliverable acceptance criteria will apply prior to accepting a deliverable as final:
- Project Manager review;
- KfW “No Objection” sign off
- Should rework be required, the deliverable will be returned to the TA;
• The TA will distribute a revision update for review as described above.

6 IPP Office Cost Management

The TA will invoice in accordance with the SOW and their proposals. The following should also be clearly noted on the supporting documentation:

• The PO number,
• Deliverables and cost per deliverable (deliverables need to be stated exactly as per the PO).
• deliverable document number,
• Resources and rate/hr; and
• Expenses incurred.

The DBSA policy applies taking into consideration any other requirements from KfW as the grant provider.

TA must also note the following IPP Office requirements:

1. Approved POs are required for the rendering of any service by a third party or Transaction Advisor (TA). No work instruction may be issued without an approved PO;
2. TAs assumes the risk when performing work without a PO or in excess of an approved PO amount, not the IPP Office.
3. TAs can only sub-contract with prior approval from the DBSA. On agreement, POs will be issued to the contracted firm only.
4. PO requests need to be accompanied by a written Scope of Work (SOW) with a focus on deliverables and a formal proposal from the relevant TA in line with the SOW issued. Rates as per the DBSA contract and hours assigned to the deliverable need to be stipulated and deliverables clearly indicated. The budget owner is required to sign-off on PO requests.
5. Full payment of an invoice is dependent on IPP Office approval/acceptance of deliverables. TA invoices for work completed needs to reach the IPP Office for processing within a period of three months after submission/acceptance of deliverables.
6. Invoices received prior to the 1st working day of any month will be paid by the first Friday of the following month. Payment may be another month later if received after the 1st working day.
7. Invoices need to be accompanied by detailed timesheets and receipts for reimbursements. Travel claims needs to be aligned to the travel policy.
### 5. EVALUATION CRITERIA

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| Company Experience     | The tenderer must have experience in providing multi-disciplinary research i.e. technology, finance, legal and economic development, and provide a detailed company profile addressing amongst others but not limited to:  
  - Experience of their lead team members of the different research disciplines list above | Bidder to provide a detailed company profile covering all elements indicated. Each discipline lead will be assessed on the criteria below:  
  | **Companies experience** | **Score** | **Years’ Experience** |
  | No response            | 0         | No information        | 30                         |                                                        |       |
  | Poor                   | 5         | Less than 1 years     |                            |                                                        |       |
  | Satisfactory           | 15        | 1 < Years < 3 years   |                            |                                                        |       |
  | Good                   | 30        | >3 Years              |                            |                                                        |       |
| Reference/Track Record | Testimonials of previous similar work conducted of the Technology; Finance and Legal and Regulatory.                                                                                                         | Attach (3) three or more written testimonials letters relating to the understanding of services (not older than three (3) years) including the names qualifications and roles of the team members involved:  
  | **Testimonials/reference letters** | **Score** |
  | Three (3)              | 30        |                                                                            | 30                         |                                                        |       |
  | Two (2)                | 20        |                                                                            |                            |                                                        |       |
  | One (1)                | 10        |                                                                            |                            |                                                        |       |
  | None (0)               | 0         |                                                                            |                            |                                                        |       |
| Capability to deliver  | Analysis and alignment of response to the scope of work  
  - Demonstrate an understanding of the South African Electricity Energy environment and the change factors.  
  - Demonstrate the research methodology and approach.  
  - Demonstrate the Project Plan | Provide comprehensive and detailed methodologies of the implementation of technical support.  
| APPROACH CH | SCO RE | Bidders Understanding of the SOW |
| No response           | 0       | The approach plan or methodology is poor and not tailored to address the specific project objectives | 40                         |                                                        |       |
| Poor                  | 10      | The approach plan or methodology is generic and not tailored to address the specific project objectives |                            |                                                        |       |
| Satisfactory          | 20      | The approach plan or methodology is specific and tailored to address the specific project objectives |                            |                                                        |       |
| Good                  | 30      |                                                                            |                            |                                                        |       |
A total score of 70 should be achieved for a bidder to be evaluated further for Price.

6. **APPROACH TO PROCUREMENT**

The DBSA, with this Terms of Reference, is inviting Advisers through an *open tender* to provide their resources and pricing in terms of the aforementioned Scope of Work.
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:


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

For the Tenderer

(Name and address of organisation)

Name and signature of witness

Date
Annexure B

Brief profile (of no longer than a page) of each member of the proposed team and the role that they will play in the services.

This document(s) is to be prepared and submitted by the bidders as Annexure B to their Bid.
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 “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.

2.7 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:

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
doctrine? 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:

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:

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.

2.10 Are you, or any person connected with the bidder,
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? YES/NO

2.10.1 If so, furnish particulars.

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

2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:
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
Annexure C

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2017

1..1.1

This preference form must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Status Level of Contribution


1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:

- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and

a) The value of this bid is estimated not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 80/20 preference point system shall be applicable; or

b) Either the 80/20 preference point system will be applicable to this tender.

1.2 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

(a) Price; and

(b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.

1.3 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

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<tr>
<th>POINTS</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>PRICE</td>
<td>80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed</td>
<td>100</td>
</tr>
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</table>

1.4 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE Status level of contributor together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.

1.5 The purchaser 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 purchaser.

2. DEFINITIONS

(a) “B-BBEE” means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

(b) “B-BBEE status level of contributor” means the B-BBEE status of an entity in
terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

(c) “bid” means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the provision of goods or services, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;

(d) “Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act” means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);

(e) “EME” means an Exempted Micro Enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

(f) “functionality” means the ability of a tenderer to provide goods or services in accordance with specifications as set out in the tender documents.

(g) “prices” includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;

(h) “proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor” means:

1) B-BBEE Status level certificate issued by an authorized body or person;
2) A sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice;
3) Any other requirement prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Act;

(i) “QSE” means a qualifying small business enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

(j) “rand value” means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1 THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

\[
P_{s} = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_{t} - P_{\text{min}}}{P_{\text{min}}} \right)
\]

Where

\[P_{s}\] = Points scored for price of bid under consideration
\[P_{t}\] = Price of bid under consideration
\[P_{\text{min}}\] = Price of lowest acceptable bid
4. POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR

4.1 In terms of Regulation 6 (2) and 7 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor</th>
<th>Number of points (80/20 system)</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>20</td>
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<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>18</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td>4</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-compliant contributor</td>
<td>0</td>
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5. BID DECLARATION

5.1 Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution must complete the following:

6. B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 4.1

6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: = ........(maximum of 10 or 20 points) (Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

7. SUB-CONTRACTING

7.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted? *(Tick applicable box)*

7.1.1 If yes, indicate:

i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted: %

ii) The name of the sub-contractor:

iii) The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor:

iv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE *(Tick applicable box)*
v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned by:</th>
<th>EME</th>
<th>QSE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Black people</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Black people who are youth</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Black people who are women</td>
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<td></td>
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<td>Black people with disabilities</td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Cooperative owned by black people</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
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<tr>
<td>Black people who are military veterans</td>
<td></td>
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</table>

OR

Any EME
Any QSE

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

8.1 Name of company/firm: ...........................................................................................................

8.2 VAT registration number: ........................................................................................................

8.3 Company registration number: ..............................................................................................

8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- One person business/sole propriety
- Close corporation
- Company
- (Pty) Limited

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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..................................................................................................................................................
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8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- Manufacturer
8.7 Total number of years the company/firm has been in business: ..........................

8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBEE status level of contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

i) The information furnished is true and correct;

ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;

iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;

iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –

(a) disqualify the person from the bidding process;

(b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;

(c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;

(d) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the audi alteram partem (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and

(e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.
DECLARATION OF BIDDER’S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES – N/A
CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION – N/A
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.
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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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>YES</th>
<th>NO</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Is the Bidder familiar with the General Conditions of Contract prescribed by the National Treasury?</td>
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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.

CSD Registration Number:
Annexure L

Declaration of Undertaking

Reference name of the Application/Offer/Contract: ("Contract")

To: ("Project Executing Agency")

1. We recognise and accept that KfW only finances projects of the Project Executing Agency ("PEA") subject to its own conditions which are set out in the Funding Agreement it has entered into with the PEA. As a matter of consequence, no legal relationship exists between KfW and our company, our Joint Venture, or our Subcontractors under the Contract. The PEA retains exclusive responsibility for the preparation and implementation of the Tender Process and the performance of the Contract.

2. We hereby certify that neither we nor any of our board members or legal representatives nor any other member of our Joint Venture including Subcontractors under the Contract are in any of the following situations:

   2.1) being bankrupt, wound up or ceasing our activities, having our activities administered by courts, having entered into receivership, reorganization or being in any analogous situation;

   2.2) convicted by a final judgement or a final administrative decision or subject to financial sanctions by the United Nations, the European Union or Germany for involvement in a criminal organization, money laundering, terrorist-related offences, child labor or trafficking in human beings; this criterion of exclusion is also applicable to legal Persons, whose majority of shares are held or factually controlled by natural or legal Persons which themselves are subject to such convictions or sanctions;

   2.3) having been convicted by a final court decision or a final administrative decision by a court, the European Union, national authorities in the Partner Country or in Germany for Sanctionable Practice in connection with a Tender Process or the performance of a Contract or for an irregularity affecting the EU's financial interests (in the event of such a conviction, the Applicant or Bidder shall attach to this Declaration of Undertaking supporting information showing that this conviction is not relevant in the context of this Contract and that adequate compliance measures have been taken in reaction);

   2.4) having been subject within the past five years to a contract termination fully settled against us for significant or persistent failure to comply with our contractual obligations during such contract performance, unless this termination was challenged, and dispute resolution is still pending or has not confirmed a full settlement against us;

   2.5) not having fulfilled applicable fiscal obligations regarding payments of taxes either in the country where we are constituted or the PEA's country;

   2.6) being subject to an exclusion decision of the World Bank or any other multilateral development bank and being listed on the website http://www.worldbank.org/debarr or respectively on the relevant list of any other multilateral development bank (in the event of such exclusion, the Applicant or Bidder shall attach to this Declaration of Undertaking supporting information showing that this exclusion is not relevant in the context of this Contract and that adequate compliance measures have been taken in reaction).

1 Capitalised terms used, but not otherwise defined in this Declaration of Undertaking have the meaning given to such term in KfW’s “Guidelines for the Procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Goods, Plant and Non-Consulting Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries”.

2 The PEA means the purchaser, the employer, the client, as the case may be, for the procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Plant, Goods or Non-Consulting Services.
Guidelines for the Procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Goods, Plant and Non-Consulting Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries

Undertaking supporting information showing that this exclusion is not relevant in the context of this Contract and that adequate compliance measures have been taken in reaction); or

2.7) being guilty of misrepresentation in supplying the information required as a condition of participation in the Tender.

3. We hereby certify that neither we, nor any of the members of our Joint Venture or any of our Subcontractors under the Contract are in any of the following situations of conflict of interest:

3.1) being an affiliate controlled by the PEA or a shareholder controlling the PEA, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of KfW and resolved to its satisfaction;

3.2) having a business or family relationship with a PEA's staff involved in the Tender Process or the supervision of the resulting Contract, unless the stemming conflict of interest has been brought to the attention of KfW and resolved to its satisfaction;

3.3) being controlled by or controlling another Applicant or Bidder, or receiving from or granting subsidies directly or indirectly to another Applicant or Bidder, having the same legal representative as another Applicant or Bidder, maintaining direct or indirect contacts with another Applicant or Bidder which allows us to have or give access to information contained in the respective Applications or Offers, influencing them or influencing decisions of the PEA;

3.4) being engaged in a Consulting Services activity, which, by its nature, may be in conflict with the assignments that we would carry out for the PEA;

3.5) in the case of procurement of Works, Plant or Goods:

i. having prepared or having been associated with a Person who prepared specifications, drawings, calculations and other documentation to be used in the Tender Process of this Contract;

ii. having been recruited (or being proposed to be recruited) ourselves or any of our affiliates, to carry out works supervision or inspection for this Contract;

4. If we are a state-owned entity, and compete in a Tender Process, we certify that we have legal and financial autonomy and that we operate under commercial laws and regulations.

5. We undertake to bring to the attention of the PEA, which will inform KfW, any change in situation with regard to points 2 to 4 here above.

6. In the context of the Tender Process and performance of the corresponding Contract:

6.1) neither we nor any of the members of our Joint Venture nor any of our Subcontractors under the Contract have engaged or will engage in any Sanctionable Practice during the Tender Process and in the case of being awarded a Contract will engage in any Sanctionable Practice during the performance of the Contract;

6.2) neither we nor any of the members of our Joint Venture or any of our Subcontractors under the Contract shall acquire or supply any equipment nor operate in any sectors under an embargo of the United Nations, the European Union or Germany; and

6.3) we commit ourselves to complying with and ensuring that our Subcontractors and major suppliers under the Contract comply with international environmental and labor standards, consistent with laws and regulations applicable in the country of implementation of the Contract and the fundamental conventions of the International
Labor Organisation\(^3\) (ILO) and international environmental treaties. Moreover, we shall implement environmental and social risks mitigation measures when specified in the relevant environmental and social management plans or other similar documents provided by the PEA and, in any case, implement measures to prevent sexual exploitation and abuse and gender-based violence.

7. In the case of being awarded a Contract, we, as well as all members of our Joint Venture partners and Subcontractors under the Contract will, (i) upon request, provide information relating to the Tender Process and the performance of the Contract and (ii) permit the PEA and KfW or an agent appointed by either of them, and in the case of financing by the European Union also to European institutions having competence under European Union law, to inspect the respective accounts, records and documents, to permit on-the-spot checks and to ensure access to sites and the respective project.

8. In the case of being awarded a Contract, we, as well as all our Joint Venture partners and Subcontractors under the Contract undertake to preserve above mentioned records and documents in accordance with applicable law, but in any case for at least six years from the date of fulfillment or termination of the Contract. Our financial transactions and financial statements shall be subject to auditing procedures in accordance with applicable law. Furthermore, we accept that our data (including personal data) generated in connection with the preparation and implementation of the Tender Process and the performance of the Contract are stored and processed according to the applicable law by the PEA and KfW.

Name: ____________________________________ In the capacity of:

Duly empowered to sign in the name and on behalf of: ________

Signature: ________________________ Dated: ________________

\(^3\) In case ILO conventions have not been fully ratified or implemented in the Employer's country the Applicant/Bidder/Contractor shall, to the satisfaction of the Employer and KfW, propose and implement appropriate measures in the spirit of the said ILO conventions with respect to a) workers grievances on working conditions and terms of employment, b) child labour, c) forced labour, d) worker's organisations and e) non-discrimination.

\(^4\) In the case of a JV, insert the name of the JV. The person who will sign the application, bid or proposal on behalf of the Applicant/Bidder shall attach a power of attorney from the Applicant/Bidder