

REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO SUBMIT QUOTATIONS FOR THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF SOUTHERN AFRICA LIMITED	
BID NUMBER:	RFQ090/2022
RFQ ISSUE DATE:	TUESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER 2022
CLOSING DATE AND TIME:	TUESDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2022
RFQ VALIDITY PERIOD	90 DAYS
DESCRIPTION	
ELECTRONIC BID SUBMISSIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bidders are advised to request submission link and all other enquiries to davidn2@dbsa.org – ONLY 2. No tender submission link requests and any queries will be accepted after 16h00 on the 06 OCTOBER 2022. Any requests after the stipulated date and time will be disregarded. 3. Bidders will thereafter receive a OneDrive Link to upload their tender submission documents electronically. 4. Bidders who have received submission Links that have errors, will be provided with new Links for use.
TENDER TECHNICAL AND GENERAL QUERIES	E-mail address: davidn2@dbsa.org
COMPLAINTS ABOUT THIS RFQ OR TENDER PROCESS	E-mail address: scmqueries@dbsa.org

Bidders must acknowledge receipt of this RFQ on the above contact details. NB: All enquiries regarding this RFQ must be forwarded to the stated email address above within the day after the RFQ has been issued. No enquiries from bidders will be entertained after the closing date of this RFQ and during the subsequent evaluation processes. DBSA however reserves the right to clarify any information with any bidder regarding their response to this RFQ. All responses must be submitted to the above-mentioned address at the time specified.



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SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER		CODE		NUMBER	
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER		CODE		NUMBER	
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS		TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:	OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
ORIGINAL AND VALID B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE OR ORIGINAL CERTIFIED COPY		TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		ORIGINAL B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
[AN ORIGINAL AND VALID B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS PLEASE COMPLETE AS PER SECTION 3 OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS BELOW					

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. RFQ SUBMISSION

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA ONE DRIVE LINK. 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. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).
- 1.5. PARTICIPATION IN THE TENDER PROCESS IS SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE TENDER CONDITIONS CONTAINED IN THIS RFQ DOCUMENT.
- 1.6. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER MAY BE REQUIRED TO CONCLUDE A FORMAL WRITTEN CONTRACT WITH THE DBSA DEPENDING ON THE NATURE OF THE SERVICES TENDERED FOR.
- 1.7. IF THE BIDDER'S SUBMISSION OF A QUOTATION IS SUCCESSFUL, THE DBSA SHALL APPOINT THE BIDDER TO EXECUTE OR PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SERVICES OR GOODS. WHERE NO FORMAL WRITTEN CONTRACT IS REQUIRED TO BE CONCLUDED WITH THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER, THE DBSA SHALL PLACE A PURCHASE ORDER WITH THE BIDDER AND THE AFORESAID GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT SHALL APPLY TO ANY SUBSEQUENT PURCHASE ORDER. IN THE EVENT THAT A FORMAL WRITTEN CONTRACT IS REQUIRED TO BE CONCLUDED WITH THE BIDDER, THE PARTIES SHALL EXECUTE A SERVICE CONTRACT AND THEREAFTER THE DBSA SHALL PLACE A PURCHASE ORDER.
- 1.8. NO SERVICES MUST BE RENDERED OR GOODS DELIVERED BEFORE AN OFFICIAL DBSA APPOINTMENT LETTER HAS BEEN ISSUED, A SERVICE CONTRACT SIGNED WHERE APPLICABLE, AND A PURCHASE ORDER HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE SUPPLIER.
- 1.9. LATE AND INCOMPLETE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
- 1.10. ANY BIDDER WHO HAS REASONS TO BELIEVE THAT THE RFQ SPECIFICATION IS BASED ON ANY SPECIFIC BRAND MUST INFORM DBSA IN WRITING BEFORE THE RFQ CLOSING DATE. IT SHOULD HOWEVER, BE NOTED THAT DBSA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ISSUE BRAND SPECIFIC SPECIFICATIONS "EQUIVALENT" / REQUIREMENTS TENDER.

- 1.11. BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE ANNEXURE B FOR ALL PRICE QUOTATIONS EXCEEDING THE VALUE OF R30 000 (VAT INCLUDED) AND ATTACH TO THE FUNCTIONAL/TECHNICAL PROPOSAL WHERE THE TENDERING PROCESS WILL USE A ONE ENVELOPE SYSTEM.
- 1.12. BIDDERS ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO COMPLETE AND SIGN ALL DECLARATIONS AS PART OF THE RFQ DOCUMENTATION PACK THE STANDARD BIDDING DOCUMENTS (SBD) PRESCRIBED BY THE NATIONAL TREASURY ATTACHED AS ANNEXURE C.
- 1.13. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE THE BIDDER THAT SCORES THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF POINTS IN THE PRICE AND PREFERENCE EVALUATION, UNLESS THE DBSA EXERCISES ITS RIGHT TO CANCEL THE RFP, IN LINE WITH THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017.
- 1.14. ALL PRICES MUST BE QUOTED IN SOUTH AFRICAN RAND (ZAR)
- 1.15. THE COST OF MARKETING AND ADVERTISING, AND OTHER CHARGES MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE TOTAL PRICE QUOTED, IF THESE ITEMS ARE REQUESTED AS PART OF THE DBSA COST TEMPLATE / MODEL OF THIS RFQ. BIDDERS SHOULD UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL COST ELEMENTS WHICH HAVE NOT SPECIFICALLY BEEN REQUESTED FOR AS PART OF THIS RFQ. IF ADDITIONAL ITEMS ARE SUGGESTED BY ANY BIDDER, THEN THESE ITEMS MUST BE SEPARATELY SPECIFIED WITH A CLEAR MOTIVATION OF WHY THESE ADDITIONAL ITEMS MAY BE REQUIRED. IT SHOULD ALSO BE FURTHER STATED WHETHER THE WORKABILITY OF THE SOLUTION PROPOSED IS DEPENDENT ON SUCH ADDITIONAL ITEMS OR NOT.
- 1.16. BIDDERS ARE ALSO REQUESTED TO SEPARATELY PROVIDE A DETAILED COST BREAKDOWN OF ALL ITEMS TO BE PROVIDED AS PART OF THEIR RESPONSE TO THIS RFQ, WHICH CLEARLY DEPICTS THE ITEM DESCRIPTION (BRAND NAME, PRODUCT CODE) AND ASSOCIATED QUANTITIES. FAILURE TO PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION WILL INVALIDATE THE RFQ RESPONSE ON THE BASIS OF INCOMPLETENESS. THE TOTAL COST OF THE RFQ RESPONSE BASED ON THE DBSA COST TEMPLATE / MODEL SHOULD EXACTLY MATCH THE TOTAL COST OF THE DETAILED COST BREAKDOWN. IN THE EVENT OF ANY DISCREPANCIES, THEN THE HIGHER AMOUNT OF THE 2 DOCUMENTS WILL BE USED AS BASIS FOR THE PRICE EVALUATIONS OF THIS RFQ RESPONSE.

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.

2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE.

3. QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS

- 3.1. IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)? YES
 NO
- 3.2. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA? YES NO
- 2.8 DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? YES
 NO
- 3.1. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? YES
 NO

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

4. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 4.1** All BIDDER MUST SUBMIT THEIR ORIGINAL AND VALID BBBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE OR ORIGINAL CERTIFIED COPY OR ORIGINAL SWORN AFFIDAVIT THEREOF, SUBSTANTIATING THEIR BBBEE STATUS.
- 4.2** THE SUBMISSION OF SUCH CERTIFICATES MUST COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDELINES ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL TREASURY AND MUST BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPLICABLE NOTICES PUBLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY IN THE GOVERNMENT GAZETTE.

5. PRE-QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

- 5.1** THE FOLLOWING PRE-QUALIFYING CRITERIA WILL BE APPLIED, BIDDERS WHO DO NOT MEET ALL OF THE PRE-QUALIFYING CRITERIA WILL NOT BE EVALUATED FURTHER:

Responsiveness Criteria	Prequalifying Criteria	Applicable to this Tender (Y/N)
Adherence in submitting the Tender in two separate folders: Folder 1 - Functionality Proposal and Folder 2 - Pricing proposal	Pre-Qualifier	Y
In terms of the DBSA Transformation Imperative Targets, the DBSA will consider companies that are EME's and QSE's with a minimum B-BBEE status of Level 2 who will contribute to meaningful B-BBEE initiatives as part of the tender process	Pre-Qualifier	Y

6. FUNCTIONAL EVALUATION

Refer to page 14 for detailed functional evaluation criteria

7. PRICE AND PREFERENCE EVALUATION

- 7.1** THIS RFQ WILL BE EVALUATED IN TERMS OF THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEM PRESCRIBED BY THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2017 AS

AMENDED. THE ALLOCATION OF POINTS WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

PRICE	80	
BEE	20	
TOTAL	100	POINTS

8. ORAL PRESENTATIONS

8.1 BIDDERS WHO SUBMIT BIDS IN RESPONSE TO THIS RFQ MAY BE REQUIRED TO GIVE AN ORAL PRESENTATION, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, A MARKETING PROPOSAL DEMONSTRATION OF THEIR PROPOSAL TO DBSA. THIS PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE BIDDER TO CLARIFY OR ELABORATE ON THEIR PROPOSAL. THIS IS A FACT FINDING AND EXPLANATION SESSION ONLY AND DOES NOT INCLUDE NEGOTIATION. DBSA SHALL SCHEDULE THE TIME AND LOCATION OF THESE PRESENTATIONS.

8.2 ORAL PRESENTATIONS ARE AN OPTION OF DBSA AND MAY OR MAY NOT BE CONDUCTED. IF SUCH PRESENTATIONS OR PRODUCT DEMONSTRATIONS ARE REQUIRED, THEN THE COST TO SET UP THESE SESSIONS WILL BE BORNE BY THE BIDDER. IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT WHERE A BIDDER CAN ONLY FACILITATE SUCH PRESENTATION AND DEMONSTRATION SESSIONS ABROAD OR EVEN BEYOND THE PROVINCIAL BORDERS OF GAUTENG, THEN ANY ASSOCIATED SUBSISTENCE AND TRAVELING COST OF THE DBSA BID EVALUATION TEAM, WILL BE FOR THE ACCOUNT OF THE BIDDER.

9. REASONS FOR DISQUALIFICATION

9.1 DBSA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO DISQUALIFY ANY BIDDER WHICH DOES ANY ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 9.1.1 BIDDERS WHO SUBMITTED INCOMPLETE INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION ACCORDING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS RFQ;
- 9.1.2 BIDDERS WHO SUBMITTED INFORMATION THAT IS FRAUDULENT, FACTUALLY UNTRUE OR INACCURATE, FOR EXAMPLE MEMBERSHIPS THAT DO NOT EXIST, BEE CREDENTIALS, EXPERIENCE, ETC.;
- 9.1.3 BIDDERS WHO RECEIVED INFORMATION NOT AVAILABLE TO OTHER VENDORS THROUGH FRAUDULENT MEANS; AND/OR
- 9.1.4 BIDDERS WHO DO NOT COMPLY WITH ANY OTHER *REQUIREMENTS* AS STIPULATED IN THIS RFQ DOCUMENT.
- 9.1.5 BIDDERS WHO SUBMIT RESPONSE AFTER THE STIPULATED SUBMISSION DATE AND TIME.

10. RIGHT TO CANCEL

DBSA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL OR REJECT ANY QUOTE AND NOT TO AWARD THE RFQ TO THE LOWEST BIDDER OR AWARD PARTS OF THE RFQ TO DIFFERENT BIDDERS, OR NOT TO AWARD THE RFQ AT ALL.

11. DECLARATION BY BIDDER

I, _____ THE _____ UNDERSIGNED
(NAME).....CERTIFY THAT:

- i. I HAVE READ, UNDERSTOOD AND UNCONDITIONALLY ACCEPT THE CONDITIONS OF THIS RFQ.
- ii. I HAVE SUPPLIED THE REQUIRED INFORMATION AND THE INFORMATION

SUBMITTED AS PART OF THIS RFQ IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

.....

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

.....
(PROOF OF AUTHORITY MUST BE SUBMITTED E.G. COMPANY RESOLUTION)

DATE:

Annexure A

TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR)

**APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE COPYWRITING
SERVICES FOR A DURATION OF 12 MONTHS.**

1. BACKGROUND

The Development Bank of Southern Africa (“the DBSA” or “the Bank”) is a Development Finance Institution (“DFI”) wholly owned by the Government of the Republic of South Africa (“the shareholder”), with a mandate to finance infrastructure projects across Africa. This is achieved primarily through providing debt financing to infrastructure projects in the markets within which the Bank operates.

DBSA primarily plays a key role in the preparation, funding and building phases of the infrastructure development value chain. The diagram below (Figure 1) illustrates the various services as well as the key target markets per value chain segments.

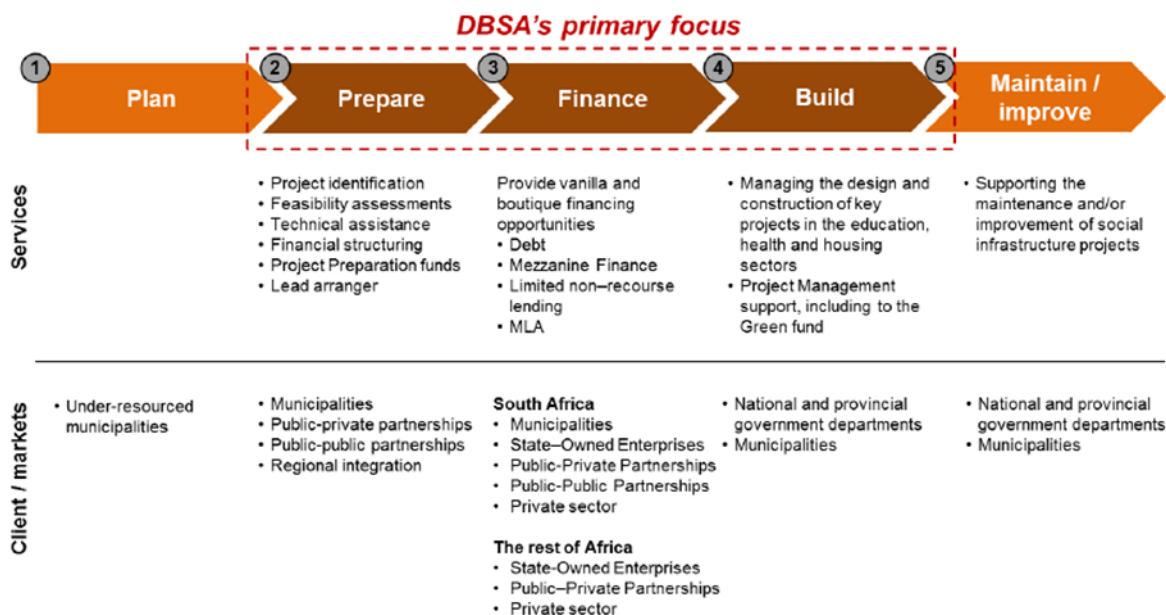


FIGURE 1: DBSA’S PRIMARY FOCUS AREAS

2. DBSA ENVIROMENT IN CONTEXT

CME requires the services of a professional writing and editing company or individual. The appointed service provider will be required to primarily write and/or edit website content. This job will also include where necessary making recommendations such as re-organizing the website content so that it is optimised for search engines, it is accurate, simple, and easy to follow, fit for purpose and free of error, omission, inconsistency, and repetition. Furthermore, the content should be compelling, authentic, and engaging. It should improve the website users experience of our corporate website, enhance our brand, and make it easier to understand and engage with the products, services and information provided.

The second requirement is for the individual/service provider to review, write, spellcheck, and edit various forms of copy such as emailers, press releases, articles etc. The job requires a company/individual who can support the CME unit developing compelling content that relate stories and information about the DBSA, thereby helping to create a stronger, attractive offer to a diverse group of stakeholders.

The content will reflect our mission to advance the development impact in the region by expanding access to development finance.

3. INTENTION

- DBSA CME would like to invite prospective professional content writing and website copywriting services **service providers** to participate in the Request for Proposal
- In-line with the Public Finance Management Act and the revised Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, DBSA reserves the right to appoint a Service Provider to fulfil the requirements in the scope of work. When appointing a Service Provider, DBSA CME will take into consideration, but not limited to the following factors: price, capacity, capability, resource availability and speed of mobilisation, etc.
- Under normal circumstances, the RFP will be reviewed after one (1) years. However, DBSA CME reserves the right to perform a review anytime, within the one (1) year period.

4. OBJECTIVES

Rationale and Objectives of the Project

The services required from the selected agency/individual include the following:

The service provider should be able to write and edit content and copy primarily for the DBSA website (www.dbsa.org). However, services will be required for other writing requirements.

The work will be project based

The individual/service provider must demonstrate specialist experience writing for business to business and for consumer audiences on the internet. The content will include, but not be limited to

- Profiles,
- Case studies
- Projects
- Articles and press releases
- Solutions
- Fund descriptions
- Focus areas
- Company information
- Blogs

5. SCOPE OF WORK

DBSA CME would like to invite prospective professional content writer and website copywriter **service provider** to participate in the Request for Proposal

6. COMPANY TRACK RECORD AND EXPERIENCE

6.1 Experience and Track record

The bidder (and/or any partners it proposes) shall have extensive experience as a copy writing service provider with additional experience writing website copy. The bidder shall provide references i.e., a minimum of three contactable company references, preferably in South Africa, as part of its bid submission.

The references should be organisations of similar size / industry / complexity as the DBSA.

The successful bidder should have a balance between technical and business knowledge. This will allow them to fulfil the DBSA's technical requirements as well as its specific business requirements.

7. REQUIREMENTS

Required expertise

- Minimum of 5 years professional content creation, editing and copywriting skills and experience
- Demonstrable understanding of SEO and ability to optimize writing for search engines. This includes
 - page titles
 - characters, use of keywords and LSI keywords,
 - URL length, words, description,
 - Meta description
 - Markups (H1, H2)
 - Anchor texts
 - Use of links, logo, relevant images
 - Readability
 - SEO friendly formatting
 - Images: alt-text, keyword, descriptive name, size, image to text ratio
- Demonstrable understanding of UX and fundamentals of best practice web design. This includes
 - Copy that moves users towards a decision, that is concise and original
 - Brand tone
 - Engagement
 - Ability to write compelling content from interviews with relevant DBSA stakeholders
- Experience writing website copy for minimum three organisations in the development finance, financial services and/or professional services sectors.

Interested parties are asked to provide the following information as part of their proposal response:

Profile outlining relevant experience in

- Content creation and development
- Editing and proof reading
- Website copywriting
- SEO and user experience
- Samples of previous work done of a similar nature from three organizations in the financial sector The examples should reflect different content
- The proposal should outline how the service provider will work with the CME in-house team, including turnaround time, account management processes.

It is essential for parties to provide evidence of their experience writing for a business to business and/or consumer audience. It is desirable that they have an understanding and experience of writing in the development finance, financial services and/or professional services sectors.

8. NEXT STEPS

Milestone	Date
Preparation of Advert	27-Sept-22
Placement of Advert	27-Sept-22
Request for Proposal (uploaded to DBSA website)	27-Sept-22
Closing date for the submission of the quotation / proposal	10-Oct-22
Evaluation of the quotation / proposal and report	13 – 19 Oct-22
Contracting	01-Nov-22

9. PREPARATION OF PROPOSAL

Each respondent is required to submit a proposal containing the following information:

- Proposal to address the scope and requirements detailed in the Terms of Reference (TOR).

10. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Functional & Technical evaluation criteria	Total score	100
	Minimum threshold	70
Price & BEE	Price	80
	BEE	20

TABLE 1: FUNCTIONAL & TECHNICAL EVALUATION

11. FUNCTIONAL AND TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

The following scale will be used to evaluate the functional and technical proposal:

- Does not meet requirements (Poor)** – Requirements where not addressed i.e. Very poor understanding of the requirements.
- Meets the requirements partially (Average)** – Some (BUT NOT ALL) have been addressed i.e. Partial understanding of requirements.
- Meets requirements fully (Good)** – All requirements have been addressed i.e. Good understanding of requirements.
- Exceeds requirements (Excellent)** – All the requirements and MORE have been addressed. Excellent understanding of requirements.

Evaluation Area	Evaluation Criteria	Weighting
Company Track Record and Experience	<p>Minimum of 5 years professional writing, content creation, editing and copywriting experience</p> <p>At least three (3) contactable references, in the past 5 years, to include company name, contact person, contract value, and contact details were similar assignments were completed successfully</p> <p>(Please note the DBSA will verify all submitted reference letters with the bidder's clients.)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Poor = 0 Average = 10 Good = 15 Excellent = 20</p>
Understanding SEO	<p>Explain your methodology and approach of SEO and UX and how you optimize writing for search engines.</p> <p>(3 samples of URLs of pages. The URLs must be from each of the 3 clients mentioned in the contactable references)</p> <p>Use of basic UX and SEO principles. For more information, please see chapter 7: Requirements.</p>	<p>35</p> <p>Poor = 0 Average = 18 Good = 26 Excellent = 35</p>
Quality of writing skills	<p>Three samples of writing, less than 500 words for each sample, from three different clients (different from the ones given in the above section.)</p> <p>Please explain what the initial brief was, and how you went about it i.e., did you have to do research, or interview people)</p>	<p>35</p> <p>Poor = 0 Average = 18 Good = 26 Excellent = 35</p>
Approach and turnaround times	<p>Provide a general description of your proposed approach—including approximate turnaround times for writing and/or editing jobs, as well as any other relevant descriptions of processes and ideas that you believe may be relevant to the DBSA to determine its suitability to complete the work.</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Poor = 0 Average = 5 Good = 7 Excellent = 10</p>
Total		100
Threshold		70

TABLE 2: FUNCTIONAL AND TECHNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

Minimum threshold is 70%

12. RESERVATIONS

The DBSA expressly reserves the following rights:

- To appoint more than one service provider;
- To waive any or all irregularities in the proposals submitted;
- To retain the right not to select any Service Provider.

13. CONFIDENTIALITY AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Information contained in this Request for Proposals is confidential and is the property of the DBSA.

Similarly, the Bank shall hold all property rights such as copyright, patents and registered trademarks on matters directly related to or derived from the work carried out through this contract.

PRICING SCHEDULE

ANNEXURE B

Note: This page must be separated from the pre-qualifying and functional proposal. Failure to separate this will lead to disqualification of the bid)

Pricing Schedule

This template must be completed in full and included to Pricing Proposal submitted.

Resources	Hourly Rate	Monthly Cost	Total Cost for 12 Months
1 Copywriting	R	R	R
2 Research if applicable	R	R	R
3 Other Costs (please explain)	R	R	R
Total Cost (inclusive of all applicable taxes)	R	R	R

PLEASE USE THIS FORMAT FOR YOUR PRICE PROPOSAL

- i. All prices must be quoted in South African Rand (ZAR).
- ii. Bidders are requested to provide a detailed cost breakdown of all activities which are involved in executing the project as indicated in the project scope. Failure to provide this information will invalidate the RFQ response based on incompleteness.

Bidders who fail to obtain 70 points or above will not be evaluated further for Price and B-BBEE. The below threshold will be used:

AREA	MAXIMUM POINTS
Price	80
B-BBEE	20
Total	100

1. RESERVATIONS

The DBSA expressly reserves the following rights:

- To appoint more than one service provider for this assignment.
- To waive any or all irregularities in the proposals submitted.
- To appoint different service providers for different levels of the assigned work.
- To retain the right not to select any Service Provider for this assignment.

2. CONFIDENTIALITY AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Information contained in this Request for Proposals is confidential and is the property of the DBSA. Similarly, the Bank shall hold all property rights such as copyright, patents and registered trademarks on matters directly related to or derived from the work carried out through this contract.

Bidders are to provide a Price Quotation as Annexure B, indicating the pricing or fees in line with the quantities, requirements or scope of work the bidders are expected to deliver (the information provided in this RFQ) on which the bidders are expected to quote. This will be a fixed price contract based on the total amount appearing in the schedule above.

Annexure C

SBD 4

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.

Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

2. Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest¹ in the enterprise, employed by the state? **YES/NO**

2.1.1 If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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.....

2.3 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

¹ the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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.....

3. DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, (name)..... in submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.4 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.5 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
- 3.6 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

² Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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Signature

.....
Date

.....
Position

.....
Name of bidder

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

1.1.6.1

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

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF B-BBEE, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017.

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
- the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

1.2

- 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 or 90/10 preference point system will be applicable to this tender

1.3 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price; and
- (b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.

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

	POINTS
PRICE	80
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	20
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

1.5 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.

1.6 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 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbf{80/20} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{90/10} \\
 P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right) & \mathbf{or} & P_s = 90 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)
 \end{array}$$

Where

- P_s = Points scored for price of bid under consideration
- P_t = Price of bid under consideration
- P_{\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:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

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)

YES		NO	
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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)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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- v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations,2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned by:	EME √	QSE √
Black people		
Black people who are youth		
Black people who are women		
Black people with disabilities		
Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
Cooperative owned by black people		
Black people who are military veterans		
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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8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- Manufacturer
 - Supplier
 - Professional service provider
 - Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.
- [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

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-BBE 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.

<p>WITNESSES</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p>
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<p>.....</p> <p>SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)</p> <p>DATE:</p> <p>ADDRESS</p>
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ANNEXURE D

SBD 7.1

(a) CONTRACT FORM - PURCHASE OF GOODS/WORKS

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN DUPLICATE BY BOTH THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER (PART 1) AND THE PURCHASER (PART 2). BOTH FORMS MUST BE SIGNED IN THE ORIGINAL SO THAT THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER AND THE PURCHASER WOULD BE IN POSSESSION OF ORIGINALLY SIGNED CONTRACTS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE RECORDS.

(b) PART 1 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE BIDDER)

1. I hereby undertake to supply all or any of the goods and/or works described in the attached bidding documents to (name of institution) in accordance with the requirements and specifications stipulated in bid number..... at the price/s quoted. My offer/s remain binding upon me and open for acceptance by the purchaser during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing time of bid.
2. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this agreement:
 - (i) Bidding documents, viz
 - Invitation to bid;
 - Tax clearance certificate;
 - Pricing schedule(s);
 - Technical Specification(s);
 - Preference claims for Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Status Level of Contribution in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2011;
 - Declaration of interest;
 - Declaration of bidder's past SCM practices;
 - Certificate of Independent Bid Determination
 - Special Conditions of Contract;
 - (ii) General Conditions of Contract; and
 - (iii) Other (specify)
3. I confirm that I have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my bid; that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the goods and/or works specified in the bidding documents; that the price(s) and rate(s) cover all my obligations and I accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and rate(s) and calculations will be at my own risk.
4. I accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me under this agreement as the principal liable for the due fulfillment of this contract.
5. I declare that I have no participation in any collusive practices with any bidder or any other person regarding this or any other bid.

6. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

NAME (PRINT)

CAPACITY

SIGNATURE

NAME OF FIRM

DATE

WITNESSES	
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2.
DATE:

SBD 7.1

CONTRACT FORM - PURCHASE OF GOODS/WORKS

(c) PART 2 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE PURCHASER)

- I..... in my capacity as..... accept your bid under reference numberdated.....for the supply of goods/works indicated hereunder and/or further specified in the annexure(s).
- An official order indicating delivery instructions is forthcoming.
- I undertake to make payment for the goods/works delivered in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract, within 30 (thirty) days after receipt of an invoice accompanied by the delivery note.

NO.	PRICE (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)	DELIVERY PERIOD	B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	MINIMUM THRESHOLD FOR LOCAL PRODUCTION AND CONTENT (if applicable)

4. I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.

SIGNED ATON.....

NAME (PRINT)

SIGNATURE

OFFICIAL STAMP



WITNESSES	
1.
2.

Annexure F

SBD 8

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2 It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- 3 The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have-
 - a. abused the institution's supply chain management system;
 - b. committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
 - c. failed to perform on any previous contract.
- 4 **In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.**

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	<p>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector?</p> <p>(Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the restriction after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied).</p> <p>The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury's website(www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</p>	<p>Yes</p> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>No</p> <input type="checkbox"/>
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	<p>Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)?</p> <p>e Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.</p>	<p>Yes</p> <input type="checkbox"/>	<p>No</p> <input type="checkbox"/>

4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME)
CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder

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Position

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Name of Bidder

ANNEXURE E

SBD 9

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

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

I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:

(Name of Bidder)

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
 - (a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
 - (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
6. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.

7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
- (a) prices;
 - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
 - (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
9. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

³ Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

SBD 9

10. I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

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Signature

.....
Date

.....
Position

.....
Name of Bidder

Annexure H

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

Annexure I

Where Applicable, Bidders are required to include, as Annexure E to their Bids, supporting documents to their responses to the Pre- Qualifying Criteria.

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

[General Conditions of Contract]

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

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

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

Item	YES	NO
Is the Bidder familiar with the General Conditions of Contract prescribed by the National Treasury?		

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:	
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