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REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)

RFQ	RFQ/ENG/2021/96
RFQ ISSUE DATE	24 AUGUST 2021
RFQ DESCRIPTION	APPOINTMENT OF AN ARCHITECT FOR THE UPGRADE OF UKHOZI FM AND LOTUS FM STUDIOS FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FOUR (24) MONTHS.
COMPULSORY VIRTUAL BRIEFING SESSION	VIRTUAL BRIEFING SESSION ON MICROSOFT TEAMS 01 SEPTEMBER 2021 <u>Join on your computer or mobile app</u> <u>Link: Click here to join the meeting</u>
COMPULSORY SITE VISIT	06 SEPTEMBER 2021
CLOSING DATE & TIME	13 SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 12H00pm

Submissions must be emailed to: SABC RFQSubmissions@sabc.co.za on or before the closing date of this RFQ.

ENSURE THAT YOUR LINKS FOR WE-TRANSFER AND GOOGLE DROP BOX SHOULD EXPIRE AFTER 30 DAYS FROM THE DAY OF SUBMISSION

PLEASE NOTE THAT AS FROM 01 JULY 2016 COMPANIES THAT ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH CSD SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED

For queries, please contact tenderqueries@sabc.co.za

The SABC requests your quotation on the services listed above. Please furnish us with all the information as requested and return your quotation on the date and time stipulated above. Late and incomplete submissions will invalidate the quote submitted.

SUPPLIER NAME: _____

POSTAL ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE NO: _____

FAX NO.: _____

E MAIL ADDRESS: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

CELL NO: _____

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER: _____

South African Broadcasting Corporation SOC Limited: Registration Number: 2003/023915/30

Non-Executive Directors: Mr B E Makhathini (Chairperson); Ms M Mohlala-Mulaudzi (Deputy Chairperson); Prof S Cooper; Adv M B B Lekalakala; Mr D M Maimela; Mr M G Markovitz; Mr D K Mohuba; Ms B Muthien; Ms J Patel; Mr J H Phalane; Ms M B Papayya; Dr M Socikwa

Executive Directors: Mr M T Mxakwe (Group Chief Executive Officer); Mr I C Plaatjes (Chief Operations Officer); Ms Y van Biljon (Chief Financial Officer); **Company Secretary:** Ms L V Bayi

NOTES ON QUOTATIONS AND PROPOSALS SUBMISSION

1. All electronic submissions must be submitted in a PDF format that is protected from any modifications, deletions, or additions.
2. Financial/pricing information must be presented in a separate attachment from the Technical / Functional Response information.
3. The onus is on the Bidder to further ensure that all mandatory and required documents are included in the electronic submission.
4. All electronic submissions should be prominently marked with the full details of the tender in the email subject line.
5. Bidders are advised to email electronic submissions at least thirty minutes before the bid closing time to cater for any possible delay in transmission or receipt of the bid. The onus is on bidder to ensure that the bid is submitted on time via email.
6. Tender submission emails received after submission date and time will be considered late bid submissions and will not be accepted for consideration by SABC.
7. SABC will not be responsible for any failure or delay in the email transmission or receipt of the email including but not limited to:
 - receipt of incomplete bid
 - file size
 - delay in transmission receipt of the bid
 - failure of the Bidder to properly identify the bid.
 - illegibility of the bid; or
 - Security of the bid data.

NOTES ON BRIEFING SESSION

1. The briefing session meeting will be arranged by means of an online session using the Microsoft Teams, the date and time of which will be published on the SABC Website.
2. Bidders who have access to Microsoft Teams or similar enablers are kindly requested to advice of their interest to participate in the online briefing session by sending an email to ngoepeBK@sabc.co.za and tenderqueries@sabc.co.za on the 31 August 2021 so as to be invited.
3. On the date and time of the briefing session, bidders need to click on the link provided to join the online briefing session.

FIRST PHASE – PREQUALIFICATION CRITERIA: MANDATORY DOCUMENTS

All bid respondents must submit mandatory documents that comply with all mandatory requirements. Bids that do not fully comply with the mandatory requirements will be disqualified and will not be considered for further evaluation.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENT		COMPLY/ COMPLY	NOT
1.	Submit proof of CSD registration		
2.	The bidder must provide proof to confirm that the architect is registered with the South African Council for the Architectural Profession (SACAP).		

NON-SUBMISSION OF THE MANDATORY DOCUMENTS WILL RESULT IN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- 1.1 Proof of Valid TV License Statement for the Company; all active Directors and Shareholder must have valid TV Licenses.
(Verification will also be done by the SABC internally).
- 1.2 Valid SARS Tax Compliance Status Pin Issued to validate supplier's tax matters.
- 1.3 Original or Certified copy of Valid BBEE Certificate (from SANAS accredited Verification Agency)
- 1.4 All EME's and 51% black Owned QSE's are only required to obtain a **sworn affidavit** on an annual basis, confirming the following;
 - 1.4.1 Annual Total Revenue of R10 Million or less (EME) or Revenue between R10 Million and R50 Million for QSE
 - 1.4.2 Level of Black Ownership

Note 1:

Verification Agencies and Auditors who are accredited by the IRBA (Independent Regulatory Board for Auditors) are no longer the 'approved regulatory bodies' for B-BBEE verification and therefore IRBA auditors are not allowed to issue B-BBEE certificates after 30 September 2016.

Note 2:

Any misrepresentation in terms of the above constitutes a criminal offence as set out in the B-BBEE act as amended.

- 1.5 Certified copy of Company Registration Document that reflect Company Name, Registration number, date of registration and active Directors or Members.
- 1.6 Certified copy of Shareholders' certificates.
- 1.7 Submit Proof of Public Indemnity Cover for a minimum of R10 000 000
- 1.8 Certified copy of ID documents of the Directors or Members.

NB: NO CONTRACT WILL BE AWARDED TO ANY BIDDERS WHO'S TAX MATTERS ARE NOT IN ORDER.

NO CONTRACT WILL BE AWARDED TO ANY BIDDERS WHO'S TV LICENCE STATEMENT ACCOUNT IS NOT VALID.

DETAILED TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

1. BACKGROUND

The SABC is South Africa's national public broadcaster. Its objectives are to provide a comprehensive range of distinctive programmes and services with the view to inform, educate, entertain, support, and develop culture in all 11 official languages.

This requirement is for the upgrade of the Ukhozi FM Live Radio Studios, the biggest station at the SABC and Lotus FM Live Radio Studios.

The architectural service to be rendered will include the following:

- Carpeting
- Tile flooring
- Acoustic Cladding
- Acoustical Doors
- Electrical Installation
- Acoustic Ceiling Panels
- Paint work
- Electrical/Lighting
- Mechanical Work
- To include Interior designer in the specification for the Visual Radio setup (for the visual aspect of the studio furniture design and layout, branding placement and lighting)

This RFQ calls for a suitably qualified supplier for the upgrade of the Ukhozi FM and Lotus FM studios in KZN.

2. SCOPE OF WORK

2.1 In order to fulfil the above-mentioned upgrade, the SABC seeks to secure the services of a registered architect to do the design work and where necessary obtain approval from the local authority. The architectural service to be rendered will include the following:

2.1.1 Professional architectural work.

2.1.2 Provide the following scope of services:

- Stage 1: Inception
- Stage 2: Concept and viability (concept design)
- Stage 3: Design development
- Stage 4: Documentation and procurement

- Prepare documentation sufficient to local authority submission.
- Complete construction documentation and proceed to call for tenders.
- Stage 5: Administration of JBCC contract
- Stage 6: Close out

2.1.3 Concept design and ensure sign off by the client.

2.1.4 Obtain approval from all relevant statutory bodies (e.g., Council).

2.1.5 Quality specifications, assessment, and control of all building works.

2.1.6 Act as principal agent in the execution of the building works.

2.1.7 Draft specifications to assist on the selection of a building contractor.

2.1.8 Compile a bill of material for building works with quantities.

2.1.9 Architect must be able to attend meetings and conduct site inspections for the duration of the project.

2.1.10 Supervise and administrate the JBCC building contract.

2.1.11 Allow for the services as indicated in the scope of service.

2.2. Associated Costs

The architect is expected to provide estimated cost of the building works including professional fees.

3. CONTRACT DOCUMENTATION

3.1. The contract will be executed in terms of the South African Institute of Architects (SAIA): **CLIENT-ARCHITECT AGREEMENT with amendments as determined by SABC Legal Department.**

3.2. **Duration of the Contract-** The duration of the contract is Twenty-Four (24) months based on a fixed price.

3.3. **Costing** - The quotation must reflect a detailed cost breakdown, and include any indirect costs associated with the delivery of the service as per current SACAP tariff as published in the Government Gazette.

4. LOCATION OF SITE

4.1. The Contract site is at **SABC Durban, KZN**

5. CONTRACT WORKS AREA

- 5.1. The Contractor shall confine his activities to the Contract Works site and the access route to this site.
- 5.2. A list of names of working staff and ID proof will be submitted to the SABC. Workers will wear clothing clearly identifying the identity of the supplier.
- 5.3. The site area is inside a broadcasting environment; therefore, care should be taken to reduce noise and dust when executing the work.

6. WORKMEN AND SUPERVISION ON SITE

- 6.1. The Contractor shall be held responsible for the conduct of his employees and the conduct of his sub-contractor's employees for the full duration of the Contract Works.

The contractor shall be appointed in terms of the **SABC H&S** requirements, and the supervisor will be responsible for the enforcement of the H&S provisions.

7. HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT

- 7.1. The work will be strictly executed in accordance with OHS ACT requirements, H&S regulations applicable to the Construction Industry and SABC H&S requirements and specification.

The contractor will, inter alia be required to:

- 7.1.1. Provide proof of Letter of Good Standing with the Department of Labour Workman's Compensation requirements.
- 7.1.3. Submit a safety plan including COVID-19 safety plan to SABC in accordance with SABC safety representative minimum requirements. A safety file will be submitted compiled by the independent safety consultant to be appointed by the contractor. A safety file will be approved by the SABC H&S department prior to handing over of the site.

- 7.1.4. Sign the SABC Health and Safety Indemnity form and all workers to attend SABC H&S induction course of 1 hour prior to handing over of site.

3. **RFQ Response Information**

Effective Date of Bid

Vendors should state in writing in its quotation to the SABC that all furnished information, including price, will remain valid and applicable for 90 days from the date the vendor quotation is received by the SABC.

4. **COSTING**

The quotation must reflect a detailed cost breakdown, and any indirect costs associated with the servicing of the fire equipment.

5. **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

5.1. *BBBEE and Price*

- The RFQ responses will be evaluated on the **80/20**-point system.

5.2. Technical Evaluation

- The tender submission will be technically evaluated out of a maximum of 105.**
- A threshold of **75** out of the **105** has been set.
- All bidders achieving less than the set threshold will be declared non-responsive.

5.3. Objective Criteria

- SABC further reserve the right not to award this RFQ to any bidder based on the proven poor record of accomplishment of the bidder in previous projects within the SABC.

Functionality Criterion

Evaluation Area	Evaluation Criteria	Min Points	Max Points
1. Provide company track Record with reference letters including contactable details and contract values for multi-disciplinary	Supplier to provide Portfolio of Evidence (POE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design and Acoustical experience with 10 or more projects including POE Attach reference letters from clients duly signed by authorized person with contract duration (stipulate start to end) – 40 points. 	30	40

projects of a similar nature	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Design and Acoustical experience with 5 or more projects including POE Attach reference letters from clients duly signed by authorized person with contract duration (stipulate start to end) – 30 points. - Without any experience – 0 points 		
2. Bidder to provide CV of identified delegate with relevant architectural experience that will be able to perform all duties in the absence of the Architect	Staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CV of at least one (1) delegate with relevant architectural experience that can cover for the architect in the event of unforeseen absences and CV of an interior designer with relevant interior design experience - No delegate in event of unforeseen absence and/or no interior designer (0 points) - CV of delegate with < 3 years relevant experience (25 points) - CV of delegate with > 3 years relevant experience (35 points) 	25	35
3. Bidder to provide CV of an interior designer with relevant interior design experience within the visual environment (TV/Video, etc)	CV of interior designer with experience in the visual environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No interior designer (0 points) - CV of interior designer with 2-3 years relevant experience (10 points) - CV of Interior Designer with > 3 years relevant experience (15points) 	10	15
4. Bidder to provide CV of Acoustic specialist with relevant audio experience	CV of Acoustic Specialist with sound engineering qualification and relevant audio experience <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No Acoustic Specialist (0 points) - CV of Acoustic Specialist with 2-3 years relevant experience (10 points) - CV of Acoustic Specialist with > 3 years relevant experience (15 points) 	10	15
Total		75	105

6. ADJUDICATION USING A POINT SYSTEM

- The bidder obtaining the highest number of total points will be awarded the contract unless objective criteria justify the award to another bidder.
- Preference points shall be calculated after process has been brought to a comparative basis considering all factors of non-firm prices.

- c. In the event that two or more bids have scored equal points, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for B-BBEE.
- d. However, when functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more bids have scored equal points for B-BBEE, the successful bid must be the one scoring the highest score for functionality.
- e. Should two or more bids be equal in all respect, the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

7. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

The **80/20** preference point system

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

$$\text{Where: } P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$$

P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid under Consideration
 P_t = Comparative price of bid under consideration
 P_{\min} = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid

B-BBEE PREFERENTIAL POINTS WILL BE AWARDED AS FOLLOWS:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor Number of Points

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

- a. Bidders who qualify as EME's in terms of the B-BBEE Act must submit a certificate issued by a verification Agency accredited by SANAS for the purpose of conducting verification and issuing EMEs with B-BBEE Status Level Certificates or DTI Affidavit.
- b. Bidders other than EMEs must submit their original and valid B-BBEE status levels verification certificate or a certified copy thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE rating issued by a verification agency accredited by SANAS.

- c. A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate.
- d. A 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.
- e. Tertiary institutions and public entities will be required to submit their B-BBEE status level certificates in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.
- f. A tenderer will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended Sub-contractor is an EME that has the capacity and the ability to execute the sub-contract.
- g. A tenderer awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an EME that has the capacity and the ability to execute the sub-contract.

8. COMMUNICATION

Respondents are warned that a response will be disqualified should any attempt be made by a tenderer either directly or indirectly to canvass any officer(s) or employees of SABC in respect of a tender, between the closing date and the date of the award of the business.

All enquiries relating to this RFQ should be emailed three days before the closing date.

9. CONDITIONS TO BE OBSERVED WHEN TENDERING

- a. The Corporation does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender, nor shall it be responsible for or pay any expenses or losses which may be incurred by the Tenderer in the preparation and delivery of his tender. The Corporation reserves the right to accept a separate tender or separate tenders for any one or more of the sections of a specification. The corporation also reserves the right to withdraw the tender at any stage.
- b. No tender shall be deemed to have been accepted unless and until a formal contract / letter of intent is prepared and executed.

c. The Corporation reserves the right to:

Not evaluate and award submissions that do not comply with his RFQ document.

Make a selection solely on the information received in the submissions and

- i. Enter into negotiations with any one or more of preferred bidder(s) based on the criteria specified in the evaluation of this tender.
- ii. Contact any bidder during the evaluation process, in order to clarify any information, without informing any other bidders. During the evaluation process, no change in the content of the RFQ shall be sought, offered, or permitted.
- iii. Award a contract to one or more bidder(s).
- iv. Accept any tender in part or full at its own discretion.
- v. Cancel this RFQ or any part thereof at any time.
- vi. Should a bidder(s) be selected for further negotiations, they will be chosen on the basis of the greatest benefit to the Corporation and not necessarily on the basis of the lowest costs, aligned to the BBBEE & Preference Point system.

10. Cost of Bidding

The Tenderer shall bear all costs and expenses associated with preparation and submission of its tender or RFQ, and the Corporation shall under no circumstances be responsible or liable for any such costs, regardless of, without limitation, the conduct or outcome of the bidding, evaluation, and selection process.

END OF RFQ DOCUMENT

Annexed to this document for completion and return with the document:

- Annexure A - Declaration of Interest
- Annexure B - Consortiums, Joint Ventures and Sub-Contracting Regulations
- Annexure C - Previous completed projects/Current Projects

ANNEXURE A**DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

1. Any legal or natural person, excluding any permanent employee of SABC, may make an offer or offers in terms of this tender invitation. In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting tender, or part thereof be awarded to-
 - (a) any person employed by the SABC in the capacity of Tenderer, consultant or service provider; or
 - (b) any person who acts on behalf of SABC; or
 - (c) any person having kinship, including a blood relationship, with a person employed by, or who acts on behalf of SABC; or
 - (d) any legal person which is in any way connected to any person contemplated in paragraph (a), (b) or (c),

it is required that:

The Tenderer or his/her authorised representative shall declare his/her position *vis-à-vis* SABC and/or take an oath declaring his/her interest, where it is known that any such relationship exists between the Tenderer and a person employed by SABC in any capacity.

Does such a relationship exist? [YES/NO]

If YES, state particulars of all such relationships (if necessary, please add additional pages containing the required information):

	[1]	[2]
NAME	:
POSITION	:
OFFICE WHERE EMPLOYED	:
TELEPHONE NUMBER	:
RELATIONSHIP	:

2. Failure on the part of a Tenderer to fill in and/or sign this certificate may be interpreted to mean that an association as stipulated in paragraph 1, *supra*, exists.
3. In the event of a contract being awarded to a Tenderer with an association as stipulated in paragraph 1, *supra*, and it subsequently becomes known that false information was provided in response to the above question, SABC may, in addition to any other remedy it may have:
 - recover from the Tenderer all costs, losses or damages incurred or sustained by SABC as a result of the award of the contract; and/or
 - cancel the contract and claim any damages, which SABC may suffer by having to make less favourable arrangements after such cancellation.

SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT

TENDER NUMBER

DATE

POSITION OF DECLARANT

NAME OF COMPANY OR TENDERER

ANNEXURE B**CONSORTIUMS, JOINT VENTURES AND SUB-CONTRACTING REGULATIONS****1. CONSORTIUMS AND JOINT VENTURES**

- 1.1 A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate.
- 1.2 A 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 tender.

2 SUB-CONTRACTING

- 2.1 A person awarded a contract may only enter into a subcontracting arrangement with the approval of the organ of state.
- 2.2 A person awarded a contract in relation to a designated sector, may not subcontract in such a manner that the local production and content of the overall value of the contract is reduced to below the stipulated minimum threshold.
- 2.3 A person awarded a contract may not subcontract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level of contributor than the person concerned, unless the contract is subcontracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the subcontract.

3 DECLARATIONS OF SUB-CONTRACTING

- 3.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted? YES / NO
- 3.2 If yes, indicate:
- 3.2.1 The percentage of the contract will be sub-contracted%
- 3.2.2 The name of the sub-contractor
- 3.2.3 The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor.....
- 3.2.4 whether the sub-contractor is an EME YES / NO

SIGNATURE OF DECLARANT_____
TENDER NUMBER_____
DATE_____
POSITION OF DECLARANT_____
NAME OF COMPANY OR TENDERER

ANNEXURE “C”**Previous completed projects (preferably provide a detailed company profile, detailed the below mentioned information)**

Project Descriptions	Client	Contact no	Contact person	Email address	Period of projects	Value of projects	Project Commence date	Completed date

Current projects (preferably provide a detailed company profile, detailed the below mentioned information)

Project Descriptions	Client	Contact no	Contact person	Email address	Period of projects	Value of projects	Project Commence date	Completion date

ANNEXURE "D"

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.

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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

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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.

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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

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Date

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Position

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Name of Bidder