

NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY 26/28, MARINA LAGOS

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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY (NPA) TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE REFRESH COVERING SOFTWARE DEFINED DATA CENTRE NETWORK, DISASTER RECOVERY NETWORK AND SD HQ/CAMPUS

A. INTRODUCTION

The Management of Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA) hereby invites reputable and competent ICT firms to submit Expression of Interest (EoI) documents for the Provision, Installation, Implementation, Maintenance, Migration and Training Services for Software Defined Data Centre (SDDC) with SDN Controller, DWDM, Software Defined Campus, Software Defined Wide Area Network (SD-WAN) and Firewall Solutions. The essence of this solution is to align with best technology practices to have a wider and faster reach and seamlessly drive revenue generation In line with the technology transformation objectives of the Authority.

B. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The ICT firm is expected to evaluate the existing Network, Understand/Align on new design, Procure Devices and Equipment on Bill of Quantity (BoQ), Install procured equipment in line with best practice, Commission and maintain the Authority's (NPA) new Enterprise Network Infrastructure made up of the following components:

- a. Software Defined Data Center Primary & Disaster Recovery Data Centers.
- b. Active-Active Data Centers (Primary & DC) using Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM).
- c. Software Defined Campus with integration of Wired and WIFI 6 Wireless LANs at Main Campus and Branches.
- d. Software Defined-Wide Area Network (SD-WAN) branches connectivity to HQ Campus and Data Center.
- e. End-End Network Security.

More information on the scope of services is contained in the Request for Proposal to be issued to pre-qualified firms.

C. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Interested firms should submit bound EOI documents duly signed, paginated, separated by dividers and arranged in the order outlined hereunder:

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Evidence of Certificate of Incorporation with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) including Forms CAC2 and CAC7.
- 2. Evidence of Company's Income Tax Clearance Certificate for the last three (3) years (2017, 2018 & 2019) valid till 31st December 2020 with minimum cumulative turnover of **N1 Billion**.
- 3. Evidence of Company's Audited Accounts for the last three (3) years (2017, 2018 & 2019) duly signed by ANAN/ICAN licensed Auditors.
- 4. Evidence of Current Pension Compliance Certificate from National Pension Commission (PENCOM) valid till 31st December 2020.

- 5. Evidence of current Industrial Training Fund (ITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2020.
- 6. Evidence of current Nigeria Social Insurance Trust Fund (NSITF) Compliance Certificate valid till 31st December 2020.
- 7. Evidence of registration on the National Database of Federal Contractors, Consultants and Service Providers by submission of Interim Registration Report (IRR) expiring on 31/12/2020 or valid Certificate issued by BPP.
- 8. Sworn Affidavit disclosing:
 - That the Company does not have any Director who has been convicted in any Country for any criminal offence relating to fraud or financial impropriety or criminal misrepresentation or falsification of facts relating to any matter.
 - Whether or not any officer of the relevant committees of the Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA)
 or Bureau of Public Procurement (BPP) is a former or present director, shareholder or has
 any pecuniary interest in the bidder and confirm that all information presented in its bid are
 true and correct in all particulars.
 - That the Company is not in receivership, subject of any form of insolvency or bankruptcy proceeding or the subject of any form of winding up petition or proceedings.
- 9. All documents for submission must be transmitted with a Covering/Forwarding letter under the Company/Firm's Letter Head Paper bearing amongst others, the Registration Number (RC) as issued by the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC), contact address, telephone (preferably GSM No.), fax and e-mail address. The Letter Head Paper must bear the Names and Nationalities of the Directors of the Company/Firm at the bottom of the page.
- 10. Evidence of financial capability to execute the project by submission of reference letter from a reputable commercial bank in Nigeria, indicating willingness to provide credit facility for the execution of the project when needed.
- 11. Company profile to include names, qualification (copies of relevant academic and professional qualifications of such personnel must be attached) and experience of key personnel in implementation of Software Defined Data Centre and related projects. Firm must have staff with ITIL, HCNP-Routing and Switching or any other professional certification MSCE, CCNA, etc.
- 12. Verifiable documentary evidence of at least one (1) similar project on the Provision and Implementation of Software Defined Data Centre in Nigeria by including Letter of Award, Contract Agreement, Job Completion Certificate, etc.
- 13. Evidence of Firm's registration/accreditation with National Information Technology Development Agency (NITDA) and Computer Professionals Registration Council of Nigeria;
- 14. Failure to comply with items 1-13 above will lead to disqualification of the bid. (This is applicable for non-Joint Venture submissions).
- 15. For Joint Venture (JV)/Partnership, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) should be provided. (Items 1-13 are compulsory for each national JV partner).

D. SUBMISSION OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) DOCUMENT

Interested bidders are to submit two (2) bound copies of EOI documents, paginated and arranged with dividers as indicated above. The EOI documents should be submitted in sealed envelopes and addressed to "SECRETARY TO THE TENDERS BOARD, NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY" and clearly marked "EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY (NPA) TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE REFRESH COVERING SOFTWARE DEFINED DATA CENTRE NETWORK, DISASTER RECOVERY NETWORK AND SD HQ/CAMPUS" Specifying PUBLIC NOTICE NO: 4130 and dropped in the designated Tender Box located on the 3rd floor of NPA annex Building, 1, Joseph Street, off Marina Lagos not later than 11:00am on Thursday, 15th October 2020.

E. OPENING OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) DOCUMENT

All EOI documents received before the deadline for submission will be opened immediately at 11:00 am on Thursday, 15th October 2020 in the Conference room on 3rd floor of NPA Annex building, 1, Joseph Street, off Marina, Lagos. Representatives of Non-Governmental Organizations related to this procurement, transparency and anti-corruption Agencies are hereby invited to witness the bid opening in compliance with Section 19 (b)(ii) of the PPA, 2007. Please, ensure that you sign the bid submission register in the bid submission office on the 3rd floor of the annex building, as the Authority will not be held liable for misplaced or wrongly submitted bids. For further enquiries, the "General Manager (Procurement)" please contact info.procurement@nigerianports.org. Bidders are excused from the bid opening, which will be attended by officials of private sector professional organisation and CSOs in the areas of anticorruption/transparency. The event will be fully captured on video and can be provided to bidders on request.

F. GENERAL INFORMATION

- 1. Bids must be in English Language and signed by an official authorized by the bidder.
- 2. Late submission will be returned un-opened.
- 3. All costs incurred as a result of this tender invitation and any subsequent requests for information shall be borne by the bidding companies.
- 4. Only shortlisted firms will be contacted at a later date for collection of Request for Proposals
- 5. The Authority is not bound to pre-qualify any bidder and reserves the right to cancel the Procurement proceedings in the public interest without incurring liabilities to the bidders in accordance with the provisions of Section 28 of the Public Procurement Act 2007.
- 6. Submissions may be made through courier service, in the stipulated format in (D) above and must not be later than the stipulated deadline.

SIGNED
MANAGEMENT
NIGERIAN PORTS AUTHORITY