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INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

ENHANCEMENT OF THE BUSINESS REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR UGANDA REGISTRATION SERVICES BUREAU (URSB) PSF/CEDP/NCONS/19-20/00018

1. This Invitation for Bids (IFB) follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that appeared in UNDB online on June 13, 2013.
2. The Government of Uganda received credit from the International Development Association toward the cost of the Competitiveness and Enterprise Development Project, and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this credit to payments under the agreement resulting from this IFB: Enhancement of the Business Registration System for URSB.
3. The Project Development Objective (PDO) is to improve the competitiveness of enterprises in Uganda through supporting reforms in priority productive and service sectors geared towards a better investment climate with particular focus on MSMEs. The 5 year project comprises of four major components and is implemented by seven agencies, among them URSB. However, the overall coordination of the Project lies with the Private Sector Foundation Uganda (PSFU) through a Project Coordination Unit (PCU). PSFU now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for Enhancement of the Business Registration System for URSB.
4. Bidding will be conducted using the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits, edition of January 2011 revised July 2014, and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in these Guidelines, that meet the following minimum qualification criteria among others:
 - a) During the past Five (5) years, the Bidder must have completed two (2) successful assignments, similar in scope and value (i.e., signed off and accepted as a fully operational system), involving each of the following key activities:
 - i. Business Registration System or Insolvency Registry;
 - ii. Software development and installation;
 - iii. General project management;
 - iv. User training support and maintenance.
 - b) Minimum average annual turnover of US\$ 2 million (United States Dollars Two million only) calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed within the last five (5) years. In case of a joint venture one partner should fulfil at least 50% of the specified turnover amount while each of the other partners should fulfil: $50 \%(n-1)$, where n =number of partners in a JV.Other details of the qualification requirements are included in the Bidding document. In addition, please refer to paragraphs 1.6 and 1.7 setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
5. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Private Sector Foundation Uganda- Competitiveness and Enterprise Development Project and inspect the bidding documents during office hours (i.e. 08:00 to 17:00 hrs) on working days at the address given below. A pre-bid meeting which potential bidders may attend will be held on September 6, 2019 at 11:00 hrs at Private Sector Foundation Uganda, Plot 43 Nakasero Rd.
6. A complete set of bidding documents in English may be purchased by interested Bidders on submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of UGX 100,000 (Uganda Shillings One Hundred thousand only) or its equivalent in a freely convertible currency using the exchange rate published by Bank of Uganda on the date of payment. The method of payment will be by cash/ EFT. Bidders may make arrangements with courier service providers to have the Bidding Documents delivered to them, but no liability shall be accepted by PSFU for loss or late delivery.
7. Bids must be delivered to the CEDP Coordination Office at the address below by 11:00 hrs local time on October 7, 2019. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of Bidders' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below on October 7, 2019 at 11:05 hrs local time.
8. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security in form of a bank guarantee of **USD 20,000 (United States Dollars Twenty thousand only)** or its equivalent in a freely convertible currency using exchange rates published by Bank of Uganda on the date of issue of the security.
9. The attention of prospective bidders is drawn to (i) the fact that they will be required to certify in their bids that all software is either covered by a valid license or was produced by the bidder and (ii) that violations are considered fraud, which can result in ineligibility to be awarded World Bank-financed contracts.
10. The address referred to above is:

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