

# **Request for Proposals (RFP) for Consultant Services for Works**

## **Design and Build of a Primary Data Centre in Sierra Leone.**

**RFP Ref No: 2021/25266**

**Minutes of Pre-Bid Meeting held virtually on August 25, 2021**

### **Attendance**

Edith Adomako	Procurement Specialist, GHMCO
Simon Darke	Project Manager, CRVSS, SL
Eunice Dahn	Deputy Project Manager, CRVSS, SL
Zenel Hisenaj	Information and Technology Expert, Technical Assistance Team to the NCRA
Emmanuel B. Ansong	Procurement Specialist, GHMCO

### **Participants / Bidders**

Michel Maalouf	Managing Director, CONCIEL
Andreas Lehmann	Head of International Project Management, Austrian Printing House

### **Opening**

The meeting was opened by the **Procurement Specialist, Edith Adomako** who thanked the participants for their time and their interest in the tender. She explained the purpose of the meeting. After which she invited all present to introduce themselves.

### **Presentations**

The **Project Manager, Simon Darke** gave a brief overview of the CRVSS Project, the funding agency and the components of the project.

**Procurement Retainer, Emmanuel Ansong** also presented the requirements and general information on the RFP.

1. An amendment to the RFP has already been created replacing the sample 'Consultant Services Contract' with a sample "UNOPS Conditions of Contract for Design and Build Contracts"
2. **Returnable Proposal Schedules:** emphasized the importance of bidders to submit ALL the requested proposal schedules in the format requested as these make the evaluation of the proposals easy.
3. **Evaluation of the proposals:** Presented the detailed scorings points under the following criteria;
  - o Eligibility Criteria

- Qualification Criteria
- Technical Evaluation
- Financial Evaluation
- Combined Analysis

The presentations were followed by questions and answers.

**Mr. Zenel Hisenaj** answered the technical questions asked by one of the bidders as below.

The meeting was ended by Edith Adomako by thanking the participants for attending and reminding them that a site visit has been planned for Friday August 27, 2021, at 12:00 GMT.

No	Question	Answers
1	Why is a unified storage required?	<b>Benefits of Unified Storage</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Advanced data analytics</li> <li>2. Unlimited scalability</li> <li>3. Retrieve data faster</li> <li>4. Cost savings</li> <li>5. Resource optimization</li> <li>6. Better storage consumption planning</li> <li>7. Optimized storage space</li> <li>8. Consolidated and flexible Storage</li> <li>9. Support for virtualized servers</li> </ol>
2	What are the client workloads?	Based on the needs, we will migrate all the systems to this infrastructure; therefore, the Operator has to provide all the pieces of equipment and configuration as per ToR / RFP
3	Is Stacked Blades needed or Different configuration?	Regarding configuration, a Stacked configuration is more related to the Rack configuration. Still, you can propose any configuration that refers to the scope of the project and ToR.
4	What are the Disk Types for Storage?	<p>S.S.D. - Disks are Required</p> <p>As per ToR, Storage should also support S.S.D. and HDD disks with different capacities</p>

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