

INVITATION TO TENDER- OPEN TENDER

DATE OF ISSUE: 10 MARCH 2023

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR THE REQUIREMENTS OF NATIONAL FILM AND VIDEO FOUNDATION

BID REFERENCE NUMBER: RFT 07 2022-2023

CLOSING DATE: 07 APRIL 2023

CLOSING TIME: 11:00

BID VALIDITY PERIOD: 90 DAYS

BRIEFING: N/A

DESCRIPTION: THE APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF LEGAL SERVICE PROVIDERS

ON THE NFVF'S DATABASE FOR A PERIOD OF 36 MONTHS

BID SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS: SUBMISSIONS MUST BE IN TWO ENVELOPES: 1 ORIGINAL AND 1 COPY

BID DOCUMENTS MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT:

87 CENTRAL STREET, HOUGHTON JOHANNESBURG

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MANDATORY DOCUMENTS – FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE MANDATORY DOCUMENTS MAY RESULT IN TOTAL DISQUALIFICATION

CONDITIONS FOR COMPLETING BID DOCUMENTS

Document	Comments	Submitted? (Yes / No)
SBD 1 (Invitation to bid)	Make sure it is fully completed signed	
SBD 2 (Tax Clearance Certificate)	Certificate must be original and valid	
SBD 4 (Declaration of interest)	Make sure it is fully complete and signed	
SBD 8 (Declaration of Bidder's past supply chain management practices)	Make sure it is fully complete and signed	
SBD 9 (Certificate of Independent Bid Determination)	Make sure it is fully complete and signed.	
Certified copies of Original of Company Registration Documentation NB: Certification stamp must be original and no more than 3 months old as at date of closing of tender	 certificate of registration, change of name certificate (if applicable) register of directors, and most current registered business address (Company Registration: CM1 and CK1, Change of Name Certificate:CM9, Latest Registered address: CM22,Most current register of directors CM29 and CK2) 	
Vat Registration Certificate	Bidder to submit if applicable	
Company Profile	Include structure of the company	
Certified copies of Share Certificates	For all current shareholders if applicable	
Certified copies of identity documents	For all current shareholders / members	
CSD Registration	Proof of CSD registration	
B-BBEE Certificate or Sworn Affidavit	Valid certified copies must be submitted	

IF ANY OF THE ABOVEMENTIONED CONDITIONS IS NOT MET AND/OR ANY OF THE REQUESTED DOCUMENTS ARE NOT SUBMITTED AS PRESCRIBED, NFVF MIGHT DISQUALIFY YOUR BID

- 1. Bid Documents must be completed with ink (Blue or black) and not typed. No tippex is allowed. All changes must be scratched out and a signature appended next to each change.
- 2. All certified documents must be within the current six (6) months. Copies of previously certified documents will not be accepted and may result in automatic disqualification.
- 3. Bid documents must be secured together preferably bound or contained in a lever arch file as National Film and Video Foundation will not take any responsibility for any loss of documents as a result of not being properly secured upon submission.

PART A

A1: INVITATION TO BID SBD1

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DATABASE FOR A PERIOD OF 36 MONTHS

BID DOCUMENTS MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT:

National Film and Video Foundation 87 Central Street Houghton JOHANNESBURG 2116

Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address. If the bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration. The bid box is generally open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS – (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED)

THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS MUST BE FURNISHED (FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN YOUR BID BEING DISQUALIFIED)

NAME OF BIDDER
POSTAL ADDRESS
STREET ADDRESS
TELEPHONE NUMBER CODE NUMBER
CELL PHONE NUMBER
FACSIMILE NUMBER CODE NUMBER
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER
HAS A TAX CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE BEEN SUBMITTED? YES/NO
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS/SERVICES OFFERED BY YOU? YES/NO
(IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF)
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:DATE:
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED

A.1.1. CONDITIONS OF BIDDING

1 Proprietary Information

1.1 National Film and Video Foundation considers this tender and all related information, either written or verbal, which is provided to the respondent, to be proprietary to NFVF. It shall be kept confidential by the respondent and its officers, employees, agents and representatives. The respondent shall not disclose, publish, or advertise this specification or related information to any third party without the prior written consent of NFVF.

2 Enquiries

- 2.1 All communication and attempts to solicit information of any kind relative to this tender should be in writing and channeled to: Email address: nkinamab@nfvf.co.za, as of Friday the 10th of March 2023. **The closing date for enquiries is Friday the 31st of March 2023.**
- 2.2 Bidders may not contact any other NFVF employee besides contact person mentioned on Paragraph 2.1 above on any matter pertaining to the bid from the time when bid is advertised to the time the bid is awarded. Any effort by a bidder to influence bid evaluation, bid comparisons or bid award decisions in any manner, may result in rejection of the bid concerned.
- 2.3 All the documentation submitted in response to this tender must be in English.
- 2.4 The Bidder should check the numbers of the pages to satisfy themselves that none are missing or duplicated. No liability will be accepted by NFVF regarding anything arising from the fact that pages are missing or duplicated.

3 Validity Period

3.1 Responses to this RFT received from suppliers will be valid for a period of **90 days** counted from the closing date of the tender.

4 Submission of a Tender

- 4.1. The tender should be submitted in two envelopes, (1 x original and 1 x copy). The bidder to submit one original and a copy in a sealed envelope endorsed, RFT 07 2022-2023. The sealed envelope must be placed in the tender box at 87 Central Street, Haughton, Johannesburg by no later than 11h00 on the 07th of April 2023.
- 4.2. The proposals received by the deadline of 07th April 2023 at 11h00 will be reviewed by the NFVF and shortlist of qualifying service providers will be compiled. Bidders included in the shortlist will be notified.
- 4.3. The closing date, company name and the return address must also be endorsed on the envelope. If a courier service company is being used for delivery of the bid document, the bid description must be endorsed on the delivery note/courier packaging to ensure that documents are delivered into the BID BOX.
- 4.4. No bid received by telegram, telex, email, facsimile or similar medium will be considered. Where a tender document is not in the tender box at the time of the bid closing, such a bid document will be regarded as a late bid. Late bids will not be considered.
- 4.5. Amended bids may be sent, together with the original bid, in an envelope marked "Amendment to bid" and should be placed in the bid box before the closing date and time. An amendment bids without original bid document will not be considered.
- 4.6. The bidder is responsible for all the cost that they shall incur related to the preparation and submission of the bid document.

- 4.7. Kindly note that **NFVF** is entitled to amend any bid conditions, validity period, specifications, or extend the closing date of bids before the closing date. All bidders, to whom the bid documents have been issued, will be advised in writing of such amendments in good time.
- 4.8. **NFVF** reserves that right not to accept the lowest bid of any tender in part or in whole. It normally awards the contract to the bidder who proves to be fully capable of handling the contract and also financially advantageous to NFVF.
- 4.9. NFVF also reserves the right to award this bid to a purely empowerment company or may award this bid on conditions that a joint venture with an empowerment company is formed. This may be added to the criteria when evaluating the bids.
- 4.10. NFVF also reserves the right to award this bid as a whole or in part without furnishing reasons.
- 4.11. NFVF reserves the right to, amongst other things, conduct unscheduled or scheduled site visit/s to satisfy itself, as to the validity of the information provided on this bid documents.

It is a condition of bid that the taxes of the successful bidder must be in order, or that satisfactory arrangements have been made with South African Revenue Service (SARS) to meet the bidder's tax obligations.

- 1. In order to meet this requirement bidders are required to complete in full the attached form TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate" and submit it to any SARS branch office nationally. The Tax Clearance Certificate.
- 2. Requirements are also applicable to foreign bidders / individuals who wish to submit bids.
- 3. SARS will then furnish the bidder with a Tax Clearance Certificate that will be valid for a period of 1 (one) year from the date of approval.
- 4. The original Tax Clearance Certificate must be submitted together with the bid. Failure to submit the original and valid Tax Clearance Certificate will result in the invalidation of the bid. Certified copies of the Tax Clearance Certificate will not be acceptable.
- 5. In bids where Consortia / Joint Ventures / Sub-contractors are involved; each party must submit a separate Tax Clearance Certificate.
- 6. Copies of the TCC 001 "Application for a Tax Clearance Certificate" form are available from any SARS branch office nationally or on the website www.sars.gov.za.
- 7. Applications for the Tax Clearance Certificates may also be made via eFiling. In order to use this provision, taxpayers will need to register with SARS as eFilers through the website www.efiling.co.za

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. BACKGROUND

The NFVF is a Schedule 3A Public Entity in terms of the PFMA. The NFVF is governed by the National Film and Video Foundation Act 73 of 1997 as amended by the Cultural Laws Amendment Act 36 of 2001.

The mandate of the NFVF, as set out in Section 3 of the NFVF Act is:

- To promote and develop the film and video industry;
- To provide and encourage the provision of opportunities for persons, especially from disadvantaged communities, to get involved in the film and video industry;
- To encourage the development and distribution of local film and video products;
- To support the nurturing and development of and access to the film and video industry; and
- To address historical imbalances in the infrastructure and distribution of skills and resources in the film and video industry.

Its mandate is fulfilled through the provision of funding for the development, production, marketing and distribution of films and the training and development of filmmakers. In addition, the NFVF commissions research and produces industry statistics that provide stakeholders with valuable insights into the South African film industry.

The National Film and Video Foundation (NFVF)'s Vision, Mission and Objectives:

- **Vision 2030:** A South African agency enabling a transformed, diversified and sustainable creative media industry.
- Mission 2030: Driving industry growth by providing funding solutions, policy interventions, industry
 research and skills development initiatives. Serving as a gateway for collaborations amongst South Africans
 and the rest of the world.

2. SPECIAL INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS

- **2.1.** Bidders must be registered on the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) prior to submitting a bid. It should be noted that Bidders registration on CSD will be verified.
- **2.2.** By submitting a proposal for this Bid, the Bidders confirm that they have read and understood the terms and conditions as set out in this tender document.

- **2.3.** Listing on the panel of the NFVF as a Legal Services Provider does not guarantee that the services of the Bidder will be utilised. Service providers shall be entrusted with instructions dependent on demonstrable and verifiable experience in the relevant field of law.
- **2.4.** The bidders are not required to submit a price for the services to be rendered as the NFVF will obtain hourly rates from those bidders on the panel when the need arise. Members of the panel shall be utilized on a rotational basis.
- **2.5.** Bidders must submit relevant supporting documents for each area of specialization ticked in order to score points on functionality evaluation.

3. BACKGROUND

- **3.1.** The NFVF seeks to engage a panel of legal service providers to provide quality general and specialist legal services.
- **3.2.** The tender is aimed at selecting a panel of legal service providers that can be utilized to provide legal advice and services according to specialized areas of law as and when required by the NFVF. The panel will assist in ensuring that legal professionals utilized are qualified and experienced in the particular areas of law.

4. SCOPE OF WORK

The NFVF invites suitably qualified legal service providers to bid and be listed on a panel of legal service providers that will provide legal advice and services to the NFVF. The duration of the engagement of the panel will be for 3 (three) years from the date of appointment.

4.1. SCOPE OF LEGAL SERVICES REQUIRED

Bidders are required to indicate the appropriate specialised field(s) and Bids MUST NOT be separated for each category or area of specialization. Failure to indicate or to tick below may result in disqualification of the proposal.

Category	Area of specialization	Please tick applicable area of specialization
Α	Compliance, Regulatory and Administrative Law	
В	Commercial Law	
С	General Litigation	
D	Labour Law	
Е	Media and Entertainment Law	
F	Intellectual Property Law	

SUMMARY OF AREAS OF SPECIALISATION

COMPLIANCE, REGULATORY AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

Provide opinions, advisory and litigation services where applicable in respect of compliance and regulatory matters relating to, but not limited to: Public law, Constitutional law, Administrative law, Government legislation and regulations including but not limited to: the National Film and Video Foundation Act, the Public Finance Management Act , the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act , the Promotion of Access to Information Act , Prevention and Combatting of Corrupt Activities Act , Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act and other related legislation.

COMMERCIAL LAW

Draft and/or vet agreements and other commercial contracts as may be required by the NFVF, including the provision of opinions and advice relating to matters unique to agreements for the public sector in general, specific to the operational requirements of the NFVF and on General commercial matters.

GENERAL LITIGATION

Attend to general litigation on behalf of the NFVF. Must have in-depth knowledge of litigation procedures of the High Court and Magistrates Court as well as the latest legislation and case law. Practical knowledge of the South African litigation process in respect of all spheres of law.

LABOUR LAW

Provide opinions and advisory services in respect of matters relating to Labour Law and Human Resources. Must have experience acting as a Presiding Officer in internal disciplinary matters and CCMA representation.

MEDIA AND ENTERTAINMENT LAW

Provide opinions, advisory services and drafting of agreements relating to the development, production, finance, structuring and distribution of audio-visual productions (film and television), as and when required from time to time by the NFVF.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW

Provide opinions, advice and where necessary litigation services on all aspects of Intellectual Property Law including but not limited to: the interpretation and implementation of the Copyright Act, Trademark Act as well as advanced knowledge on, Treaties, National Policies and Bills.

The service provider will be expected to manage and handle the NFVF's intellectual property portfolio, assist with registrations and renewals and advise the NFVF with intellectual property infringements, involving, but not limited to passing off, unlawful competition, etc.

4.2. The service provider to be engaged on the Panel must submit the following mandatory documents (failure to submit any of the documents mentioned below will result in disqualification):

- 4.2.1. Registration on CSD-Central supplier database report;
- 4.2.2. Company profile;
- 4.2.3. Valid Tax Clearance Certificate or Pin;
- 4.2.4. Certified ID copies of Company Directors; and
- 4.2.5. Standard Bidding Documentation (SBD) MUST be fully completed and signed by a pertinent official with appropriate authority.
- **4.3.** All bid documents must be indexed and paginated.
- **4.4.** No tippex is allowed. All changes must be scratched out and a signature appended next to each change.
- **4.5.** All copies must be certified and not be older than six (6) months from the date of submission.

5. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Bidders will be evaluated in two stages:

First Stage

Mandatory documents of bidders will be evaluated. The bidders who have submitted all the mandatory documents will then proceed to the next stage of evaluation. Bidders that do not submit mandatory documents will be disqualified.

Second Stage

Bidders who provided mandatory documents will be evaluated on the functionality evaluation stage. Bidders will be evaluated on functionality for each area of specialization it has selected. The minimum threshold for this evaluation stage is 75 points.

Contracting

Successful Bidders will be required to sign a service level agreement for the period of engagement.

5.1. Functionality Criteria/Technical Evaluation

FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA	WEIGHT
1. Company Experience	40 Points
Dated and signed letter/Completion letters (on own company letterhead) on cases dealt with.	
Bidders must provide completion letters for relevant area of specialisation applying for.	
1.1 One (1) case = 0 Points	
1.2 Two (2) cases = 10 Points	
1.3 Three (3) cases = 20 Points	
1.4 Four (4) cases = 30 Points	
1.5 Five (5) cases = 40 Points	
2. Experience – of Director/ Partner (for each area of	40 Points
specialisation)	
The bidder must include CV's of all key staff members that will be heading the engagement with the NFVF for each area of law selected:	

2.1 Longer than 15 years	points: 40	
2.2 Between 10 years and 15 years	points: 30	
2.3 Between 06 years and 10 years	points: 25	
2.4 Between 01 to 05 years	points: 15	
The bidder must provide a minimum of 3 (t letters from previous clients for each area company letterhead.	20 Points	
3.1 Above 5 reference letters3.2 5 reference letters3.3 3 to 4 reference letters3.4 Less than 3 reference letters	20 points 15 Points 10 points 0 points	

Minimum threshold for bidders to form part of the panel is $\bf 75$ points.

PART B

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.

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2.	Bidd	er's d	eclara	tion

2.1	Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustee	es / 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 procuring institution? YES/NO	•	ionship with any person	who is employed by the
2.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:			
2.3	Does the bidder or any of its having a controlling interest in not they are bidding for this co	the enterprise have any		
2.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:			

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.

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..... Signature

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Position

ECLARATION
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:
I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure; I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect; 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. 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. 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.
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.
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.
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.

Date

Name of bidder

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.

PART C – DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SCM PRACTICES

DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 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.

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Signature

Position

4 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

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Item	Question	Yes	No	
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's database as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector? (Companies or persons who are listed on this database were informed in writing of this restriction by the National Treasury after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied).	Yes	No 🗌	
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:			
4.2	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)? To access this Register, enter the National Treasury's website, www.treasury.gov.za , click on the icon "Register for Tender Defaulters" or submit your written request for a hard copy of the Register to facsimile number (012) 3265445.	Yes	No	
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	№ □	
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	2□	
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:			
CERTIF	FICATION			
I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME) CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT.				
	EPT THAT, IN ADDITION TO CANCELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ACTION MAY BE TAKEN A D THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.	GAINS	T ME	

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Date

Name of Bidder

D2: 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 c	complete in every respect:		
I certify, on behalf of:(Name of Ridder)	that:		

- 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.

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

PART D

D2: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

- (i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders; and
- (ii) To ensure that suppliers be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with NFVF.

In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter.

- The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid and contract documents.
- (iii) Special Condition of Contract pertaining to contracts of this nature will be negotiated with the successful bidder.

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GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

1. Definitions

The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:

- 1.1 "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
- 1.2 "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the client and the service provider, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference herein.
- 1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the service provider under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
- 1.4 "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
- 1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
- 1.6 "Day" means calendar day.
- 1.7 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
- 1.8 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the service provider and not involving the service provider's fault or negligence and not foreseeable.
 - Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the client in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.9 "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.10 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.11 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, service and/or other materials that the service provider is required to supply to the client under the contract.
- "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the service provider or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- 1.13 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- "Order" means an official written order issued for the rendering of a service.
- 1.15 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.

- 1.16 "The client" means the organization purchasing the service.
- 1.17 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.18 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.19 "Services" means those functional services ancillary to the rendering of the service, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the service provider covered under the contract.
- 1.20 "Written" or "in writing" means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

- 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

3. General

- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the client shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za

4. Standards

4.1 The service rendered shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.

5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection

- 5.1 The service provider shall not, without the client's prior written consent, contract disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, documents plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on and behalf of the client in connection therewith, to any person other information; than a person employed by the service provider in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 5.2 The service provider shall not, without the client's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC Clause shall remain the property of the client and shall be returned (all copies) to the client on completion of the service provider's performance under the contract if so required by the client.

5.4 The service provider shall permit the client to inspect the service provider's records relating to the performance of the service provider and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the client, if so required by the client.

6. Patent rights

6.1 The service provider shall indemnify the client against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the service or any part thereof by the client.

7. Performance Security

- 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, security the successful bidder shall furnish to the client the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.
- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the client as compensation for any loss resulting from the service provider's failure to complete his obligations under the contract.
- 7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the client and shall be in one of the following forms:
 - (a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the client's country or abroad, acceptable to the client, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the client; or
 - (b) a cashier's or certified cheque
- 7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the client and returned to the service provider not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the service provider's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

8. Delivery and Documents

- 8.1 Rendering of service shall be made by the service provider in accordance with the document and terms as specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the service provider are specified in SCC.
- 8.2 Documents to be submitted by the service provider are specified in SCC.

9. Insurance

9.1 The service rendered under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the SCC.

10. Transportation

10.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.

11. Incidental Service

- 11.1 The service provider may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
 - (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the rendered service;
 - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the rendered service;

- (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the rendered service;
- (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the rendered service, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the service provider of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
- (e) training of the client's personnel, at the service provider's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the rendered service.
- 11.2 Prices charged by the service provider for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the service, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the service provider for similar services.

12. Warranty

- 12.1 The service provider warrants that the service rendered under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The service provider further warrants that all service rendered under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the client's specifications) or from any act or omission of the service provider, that may develop under normal use of the rendered service in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.
- 12.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the service, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC.
- 12.3 The client shall promptly notify the service provider in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.
- 12.4 If the service provider, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the client may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the service provider's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the client may have against the service provider under the contract.

13. Payment

- 13.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the service provider under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 13.2 The service provider shall furnish the client with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- Payments shall be made promptly by the client, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the service provider.
- 13.4 Payment will be made in South African Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.

14. Prices

14.1 Prices charged by the service provider for services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the service provider in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the client's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.

15. Contract amendments

15.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.

16. Assignment

The service provider shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the client's prior written consent.

17. Subcontracts

17.1 The service provider shall notify the client in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contract if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the service provider from any liability or obligation under the contract.

18. Delays in the service provider's performance

- 18.1 Performance of services shall be made by the service provider in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the client in the contract.
- If at any time during performance of the contract, the service provider or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely performance of services, the service provider shall promptly notify the client in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the service provider's notice, the client shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the service provider's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 18.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 18.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the service provider's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the service provider's services are not readily available.
- 18.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the service provider in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the service provider liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.
- Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the client shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase service of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the service not rendered in conformity with the contract and to return any service rendered later at the service provider's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such service as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the service provider.

19. Penalties

19.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the service provider fails to perform services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the client shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The client may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

20. Termination for default

20.1 The client, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of for default contract, by written notice of default sent to the service provider, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:

- (a) if the service provider fails to deliver service within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the client pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;
- (b) if the service provider fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
- (c) if the service provider, in the judgment of the client, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 20.2 In the event the client terminates the contract in whole or in part, the client may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, services similar to those undelivered, and the service provider shall be liable to the client for any excess costs for such similar services. However, the service provider shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 20.3 Where the client terminates the contract in whole or in part, the client may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the service provider by prohibiting the service provider from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.
- If the client intends imposing a restriction on the service provider or any person associated with the service provider, the service provider will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the service provider fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the client may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the service provider.
- 20.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.
- If a restriction is imposed, the client must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:
 - (i) the name and address of the service provider and / or person restricted by the client;
 - (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction; and
 - (iii) the period of restriction; and
 - (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of the service providers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

20.7 If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections 12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.

21. Force Majeure

21.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the Majeure the service provider shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.

If a force majeure situation arises, the service provider shall promptly notify the client in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the client in writing, the service provider shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical, and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.

22. Termination for insolvency

22.1 The client may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the service provider if the service provider becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the service provider, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the client.

23. Settlement of Disputes

- 23.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the client and the service provider in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
- 23.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the client or the service provider may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.
- 23.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 23.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
- 23.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,
- (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
- (b) the client shall pay the service provider any monies due the service provider.

24. Limitation of liability

- Except in cases of criminal negligence or wilful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
- (a) the service provider shall not be liable to the client, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the service provider to pay penalties and/or damages to the client; and
- (b) the aggregate liability of the service provider to the client, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment

25. Governing language

25.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English

26. Applicable law

The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC

27. Notices

- 27.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the service provider concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper services of such notice
- The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.

28. Taxes and duties

- A foreign the service provider shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the client's country.
- A local the service provider shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted service to the client.
- 28.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

29. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

29.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.

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