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Section VI: General Conditions of Contract

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Section VIII: Contract Forms

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Sub-clause 21.6 (amended)
Sub-clause 21.8 (amended)
Sub-clause 27.3 (amended)
Sub-clause 27.4 (amended)
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Section II: Bid Data Sheet

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Section IV: Bidding Forms

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Section II: ITB 35.1 & 35.2 (Amended) Summary Description

Foreword

The Standard Bidding Documents for Procurement of Goods have been prepared pursuant to section 7(c) of the Public Procurement Act 2006. It follows the World Bank's Standard Bidding Documents. They are to be used for the procurement of goods through Open Advertised Bidding (OAB) and Restricted Bidding methods.

The Bidding Documents assume that no prequalification has taken place before bidding.

Those wishing to submit comments or suggestions on the Bidding Documents or to obtain additional information on procurement in Mauritius are encouraged to contact:

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Summary

PART 1 – BIDDING PROCEDURES

Section I. Instructions to Bidders (ITB)

This Section provides information to help Bidders prepare their bids. Information is also provided on the submission, opening, and evaluation of bids and on the award of Contracts. Section I contains provisions that are to be used without modification.

Section II. Bidding Data Sheet (BDS)

This Section includes provisions that are specific to each procurement and that supplement Section I, Instructions to Bidders.

Section III. Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

This Section specifies the criteria to be used to determine the lowest evaluated bid, and the Bidder's qualification requirements to perform the contract.

Section IV. Bidding Forms

This Section includes the forms for the Bid Submission, Price Schedules, Bid Security, and the Manufacturer's Authorization to be submitted with the bid.

PART 2 – SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS

Section V. Schedule of Requirements

This Section includes the List of Goods and Related Services, the Delivery and Completion Schedules, the Technical Specifications and the Drawings that describe the Goods and Related Services to be procured.

PART 3 – CONTRACT

Section VI. General Conditions of Contract (GCC)

This Section includes the general clauses to be applied in all contracts. The text of the clauses in this Section shall not be modified.

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Section VII. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)

This Section includes clauses specific to each contract that modify or supplement Section VII, General Conditions of Contract.

Section VIII: Contract Forms

This Section includes the form for the Agreement which, once completed, incorporates corrections or modifications to the accepted bid that are permitted under the Instructions to Bidders, the General Conditions of Contract, and the Special Conditions of Contract.

When required, the forms for Performance Security and Advance Payment Security, shall be completed by the successful Bidder only after contract award.

Attachment: Invitation for Bids

An "Invitation for Bids" form is provided at the end of the Bidding Documents for information.

Mauritius Emerging Technologies Council

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for

Procurement of An online platform (Web & App)

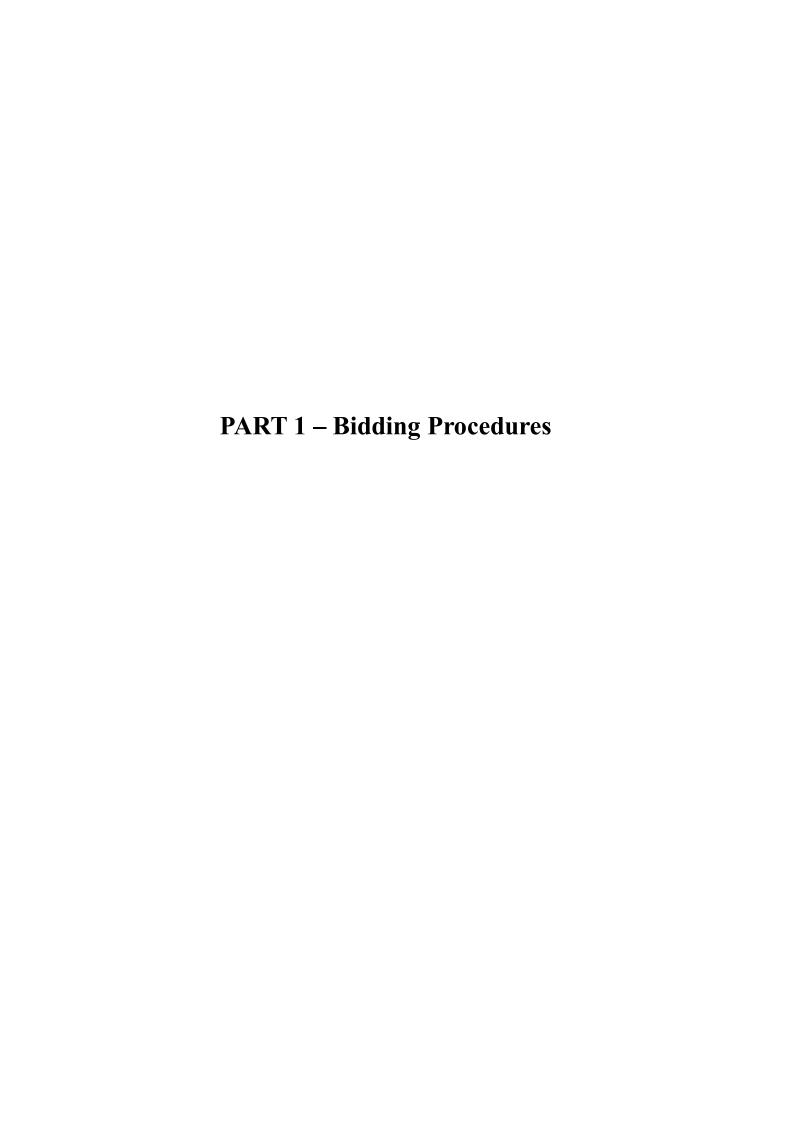
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Purchaser: Mauritius Emerging Technologies Council

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Section I. Instructions to Bidders

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Section I. Instructions to Bidders

A. General

- 1. Scope of Bid
- 1.1 The Purchaser indicated in the Bidding Data Sheet (BDS), issues these Bidding Documents for the supply of Goods and Related Services incidental thereto as specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements. The name and identification number of this procurement through Open Advertised Bidding (open for local and overseas suppliers) are specified in the BDS. The name, identification, and number of lots are provided in the BDS.
- 1.2 Throughout these Bidding Documents:
 - (a) the term "in writing" means communicated in written form (e.g. by mail, e-mail, fax,) with proof of receipt;
 - (b) if the context so requires, "singular" means "plural" and vice versa; and
 - (c) "day" means calendar day.
- 2. Source of Funds
- 2.1 Unless otherwise stated in the **BDS**, this procurement shall be financed by the Public Body's own budgetary allocation.
- 3. Public Entities
 Related to
 Bidding
 Documents and
 to Challenge and
 Appeal
- 3.1 The public entities related to these bidding documents are the Public Body, acting as procurement entity (Purchaser), the Procurement Policy Office, in charge of issuing standard bidding documents and responsible for any amendment these may require, the Central Procurement Board in charge of vetting Bidding document, receiving and evaluation of bids in respect of major contracts and the Independent Review Panel, set up under the Public Procurement Act 2006 (hereinafter referred to as the Act.)
- 3.2 Sections 43, 44 and 45 of the Act provide for challenge and review mechanism. Unsatisfied bidders shall follow procedures prescribed in Regulations 48, 49 and 50 of the Public Procurement Regulations 2008 to challenge procurement proceedings and award of procurement contracts or to file application for review at the Independent Review Panel.
- 3.3 Challenges and Applications for Review shall be forwarded to the addresses indicated in the BDS;

4. Fraud and Corruption

- 4.1 It is the policy of the Government of the Republic of Mauritius to require Public Bodies, as well as bidders, suppliers, and contractors and their agents (whether declared or not), personnel, subcontractors, sub-consultants, service providers and suppliers, observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of contracts. ¹ In pursuance of this policy, the Government of the Republic of Mauritius:
 - (a) defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
 - (i) "corrupt practice" is the offering, giving, receiving or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value to influence improperly the actions of another party²;
 - (ii) "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation; ³
 - (iii) "collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties⁴ designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
 - (iv) "coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party⁵ or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
 - (v) "obstructive practice" is
 - (aa) deliberately destroying, falsifying, altering or concealing of evidence material to the investigation or making false statements to investigators in order to materially impede the Purchaser's investigation into allegations of a

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¹ In this context, any action taken by a bidder, supplier, contractor, or any of its personnel, agents, sub-consultants, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/or their employees to influence the procurement process or contract execution for undue advantage is improper.

² "Another party" refers to a public official acting in relation to the procurement process or contract execution. In this context, "public official" includes Purchaser's staff and employees of other organizations taking or reviewing procurement decisions.

³ "Party" refers to a public official; the terms "benefit" and "obligation" relate to the procurement process or contract execution; and the "act or omission" is intended to influence the procurement process or contract execution.

⁴ "Parties" refers to participants in the procurement process (including public officials) attempting to establish bid prices at artificial, noncompetitive levels.

⁵ "Party" refers to a participant in the procurement process or contract execution.

- corrupt, fraudulent, coercive or collusive practice; and/or threatening, harassing or intimidating any party to prevent it from disclosing its knowledge of matters relevant to the investigation or from pursuing the investigation, or
- (bb) acts intended to materially impede the exercise of the Purchaser's inspection and audit rights provided for under sub-clause 4.2 below.
- (b) will reject a proposal for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has, directly or through an agent, engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive or obstructive practices in competing for the contract in question; and
- (c) will sanction a firm or an individual, at any time, in accordance with prevailing legislations, including by publicly declaring such firm or individual ineligible, for a stated period of time: (i) to be awarded a public contract; and (ii) to be a nominated^b sub-contractor, consultant, manufacturer or supplier, or service provider of an otherwise eligible firm being awarded a public contract.
- 4.2 In further pursuance of this policy, Bidders shall permit the Purchaser to inspect any accounts and records and other documents relating to the Bid submission and contract performance, and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the Purchaser.
- 4.3 Furthermore, bidders shall be aware of the provision in Clauses 3.1 and 35.1 (a) of the General Conditions of Contract.
- 4.4 Bidders, suppliers and public officials shall also be aware of the provisions stated in sections 51 and 52 of the Public Procurement Act which can be consulted on the website of the Procurement Policy Office (PPO): ppo.govmu.org
- 4.5 The Purchaser commits itself to take all measures necessary to prevent fraud and corruption and ensures that none of its staff, personally or through his/her close relatives or through a third party, will in connection with the bid for, or the execution of a

A nominated sub-contractor, consultant, manufacturer or supplier, or service provider (different names are used depending on the particular bidding document) is one which either has been: (i) included by the bidder in its pre-qualification application or bid because it brings specific and critical experience and know-how that are accounted for in the evaluation of the bidder's pre-qualification application or the bid; or (ii) appointed by the Purchaser.

contract, demand, take a promise for or accept, for him/herself or third person, any material or immaterial benefit which he/she is not legally entitled to. If the Purchaser obtains information on the conduct of any of its employees which is a criminal offence under the relevant Anti-Corruption Laws of Mauritius or if there be a substantive suspicion in this regard, he will inform the relevant authority(ies)and in addition can initiate disciplinary actions. Furthermore, such bid shall be rejected.

5. Eligible Bidders

5.1

- (a) Subject to ITB 5.4, A Bidder, and all parties constituting the Bidder, may have the nationality of any country. A Bidder shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Bidder is a citizen or is constituted, incorporated, or registered and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country. This criterion shall also apply to the determination of the nationality of proposed subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the Contract including Related Services.
- (b) A Bidder may be a natural person, private entity, government-owned entity (subject to ITB 5.5) or any combination of them with a formal intent to enter into an agreement or under an existing agreement in the form of a Joint Venture (JV). In the case of a JV:
 - (i) all parties to the JV shall be jointly and severally liable;
 - (ii) a JV shall nominate a Representative who shall have the authority to conduct all businesses for and on behalf of any and all the parties of the JV during the bidding process and, in the event the JV is awarded the Contract, during contract execution.
- 5.2 A Bidder shall not have conflict of interest. All bidders found to have conflict of interest shall be disqualified. A Bidder may be considered to be in a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding process if, including but not limited to:
 - (a) have controlling shareholders in common; or
 - (b) receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from any of them; or
 - (c) have the same legal representative for purposes of this Bid; or
 - (d) have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have

- access to information about or influence on the Bid of another Bidder, or influence the decisions of the Purchaser regarding this bidding process; or
- (e) a Bidder participates in more than one bid in this bidding process. Participation by a Bidder in more than one Bid will result in the disqualification of all Bids in which it is involved. However, this does not limit the inclusion of the same subcontractor, not otherwise participating as a Bidder, in more than one bid; or
- (f) a Bidder or any of its affiliates participated as a consultant in the preparation of the design or technical specifications of the goods and services that are the subject of the bid.
- 5.3 (a) A Bidder that is under a declaration of ineligibility by the Government of Mauritius in accordance with applicable laws at the date of the deadline for bid submission or thereafter, shall be disqualified.
 - (b)Bids from suppliers appearing on the ineligibility lists of African Development Bank, Asian Development Bank, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Inter-American Development Bank Group and World Bank Group shall be rejected.
 - Links for checking the ineligibility lists are available on the PPO's website: *ppo.govmu.org*
- 5.4 A firm shall be excluded if by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, Mauritius prohibits any import of goods or contracting of Works or services from a country where it is based or any payment to persons or entities in that country.
- 5.5 Government-owned enterprises in the Republic of Mauritius shall be eligible only if they can establish that they:
 - (i) are legally and financially autonomous;
 - (ii) operate under commercial law, and
 - (iii) are not a dependent agency of the Purchaser.
- 5.6 Bidders shall provide such evidence of their continued

eligibility satisfactory to the Purchaser, as the Purchaser shall reasonably request.

6. Eligible Goods and Related Services

- 6.1 All the Goods and Related Services to be supplied under the Contract may have their origin in any country subject to ITB 5.3 and 5.4.
- 6.2 For purposes of this Clause, the term "goods" includes commodities, raw material, machinery, equipment, industrial plants and "related services" which include services such as insurance, installation, training, and initial maintenance.
- 6.3 The term "origin" means the country where the goods have been mined, grown, cultivated, produced, manufactured or processed; or, through manufacture, processing, or assembly, another commercially recognized article results that differs substantially in its basic characteristics from its components.

B. Contents of Bidding Documents

7. Sections of Bidding Documents

7.1 The Bidding Documents consist of Parts 1, 2, and 3, which include all the Sections indicated below, and should be read in conjunction with any Addendum issued in accordance with ITB Clause 9.

PART 1 Bidding Procedures

- Section I. Instructions to Bidders (ITB)
- Section II. Bidding Data Sheet (BDS)
- Section III. Evaluation and Qualification Criteria
- Section IV. Bidding Forms

PART 2 Supply Requirements

• Section V. Schedule of Requirements

PART 3 Contract

- Section VI. General Conditions of Contract (GCC)
- Section VII. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)
- Section VIII. Contract Forms
- 7.2 The Invitation for Bids issued by the Purchaser is not part of the

Bidding Documents.

- 7.3 The Purchaser is not responsible for the completeness of the Bidding Documents and their addendum, if they were not obtained directly from the Purchaser.
- 7.4 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the Bidding Documents. Failure to furnish all information or documentation required by the Bidding Documents may result in the rejection of the bid.

8. Clarification of Bidding Documents

8.1 A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Documents shall contact the Purchaser in writing at the Purchaser's address **specified in the BDS.** The Purchaser will respond in writing to any request for clarification, provided that such request is received 14 days prior to the deadline set for submission of bids. The Purchaser shall respond to such request at latest 7 days prior to the deadline for submission of bids and forward copies of its response to all those who have acquired the Bidding Documents directly from it, including a description of the inquiry but without identifying its source. Should the Purchaser deem it necessary to amend the Bidding Documents as a result of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure under ITB Clause 9 and ITB Sub-Clause 25.2.

9. Amendment of Bidding Documents

- 9.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of bids, the Purchaser may amend the Bidding Documents by issuing addendum.
- 9.2 Any addendum issued shall be part of the Bidding Documents and shall be communicated in writing to all who have obtained the Bidding Documents directly from the Purchaser.
- 9.3 To give prospective Bidders reasonable time in which to take an addendum into account in preparing their bids, the Purchaser may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids, pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause 25.2

C. Preparation of Bids

10. Cost of Bidding

10.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and the Purchaser shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

11. Language of Bid

11.1 The Bid, as well as all correspondences and documents relating to the bid exchanged by the Bidder and the Purchaser, shall be written in English. Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the Bid may be in another language provided they

- are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in English, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Bid, such translation shall govern.
- 11.2 Notwithstanding the above, documents in French submitted with the bid may be accepted without translation.

12. Documents Comprising the Bid

- 12.1 The Bid shall comprise the following:
 - (a) the Bid Submission Form and the applicable Price Schedules, in accordance with ITB Clauses 13, 15, and 16;
 - (b) the Bid Security or Bid-Securing Declaration, in accordance with ITB Clause 22, if required;
 - (c) written confirmation authorizing the signatory of the Bid to commit the Bidder, in accordance with ITB Clause 23.2; as specified in the BDS.
 - (d) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clause 17 establishing the Bidder's eligibility to bid;
 - (e) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clause 18, that the Goods and Related Services to be supplied by the Bidder are of eligible origin;
 - (f) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clauses 19 and 31, that the Goods and Related Services conform to the Bidding Documents;
 - (g) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clause 20 establishing the Bidder's qualifications to perform the contract if its bid is accepted, and
 - (h) any other document required in the BDS.

13. Bid Submission Form and Price Schedules

- 13.1 The Bidder shall submit the Bid Submission Form using the form furnished in Section IV, Bidding Forms. This form must be completed without any alteration to its format, and no substitutes shall be accepted. All blank spaces shall be filled in with the information requested.
- 13.2 The Bidder shall submit the Price Schedules for Goods and Related Services, according to their origin as appropriate, using the forms furnished in Section IV, Bidding Forms
- 14. Alternative Bids
- 14.1 Unless otherwise **specified in the BDS**, alternative bids shall not be considered.
- 15. Bid Prices and
- 15.1 The prices and discounts quoted by the Bidder in the Bid

Discounts

- Submission Form and in the Price Schedules, shall conform to the requirements specified below.
- 15.2 All lots and items must be listed and priced separately in the Price Schedules.
- 15.3 The price to be quoted in the Bid Submission Form shall be the total price of the bid, excluding any discount offered.
- 15.4 The Bidder shall quote any unconditional discount and indicate the method for their application in the Bid Submission Form.
- 15.5 The terms EXW, CIP, CIF and other similar terms shall be governed by the rules prescribed in the current edition of Incoterms, published by The International Chamber of Commerce, as specified in the **BDS**.
- 15.6 Prices shall be quoted as specified in each Price Schedule included in Section IV, Bidding Forms. The disaggregation of price components is required solely for the purpose of facilitating the comparison of Bids by the Purchaser. This shall not in any way limit the Purchaser's right to contract on any of the terms offered. In quoting prices, the Bidder shall be free to use transportation through the carriers registered in any eligible country. Similarly, the Bidder may obtain insurance services from any eligible country. Prices shall be entered in the following manner:
 - (a) For Goods offered from within Mauritius:
 - (i) the price of the goods quoted EXW (ex-works, ex-factory, ex warehouse, ex showroom, or off-the-shelf, as applicable), including all customs duties already paid or payable on the components and raw material used in the manufacture or assembly of goods quoted ex works or ex-factory, or on the previously imported goods of foreign origin quoted exwarehouse, ex-showroom, or off-the-shelf;
 - (ii) VAT payable on the Goods if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder; and
 - (iii) the total price for the item.
 - (b) For Goods offered from outside Mauritius:
 - (i) the price of the goods quoted CIF (named port of destination), or CIP (named place of destination), in the Mauritius, as specified in the **BDS**;
 - (ii) the price of the goods quoted FOB port of shipment (or FCA, as the case may be), if specified in the **BDS**;
 - (iii) the total price for the item.
 - (c) For Related Services whenever such Related Services are

specified in the Schedule of Requirements:

- (i) the local currency cost component of each item comprising the Related Services; and
- (ii) the foreign currency cost component of each item comprising the Related Services,

inclusive of custom duties and VAT, payable on the Related Services, if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder.

- 15.7 Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of the Contract and not subject to variation on any account in respect of changes in production cost, unless otherwise specified in the **BDS**. A Bid submitted with an adjustable price quotation in this respect shall be treated as non-responsive and shall be rejected, pursuant to ITB Clause 31. However, if in accordance with the **BDS**, prices quoted by the Bidder shall be subject to adjustment during the performance of the Contract, a bid submitted with a fixed price quotation shall not be rejected, but the price adjustment shall be treated as zero.
- 15.8 If so indicated in ITB Sub-Clause 1.1, bids are being invited for individual contracts (lots) or for any combination of contracts (packages). Unless otherwise indicated in the **BDS**, prices quoted shall correspond to 100 % of the items specified for each lot and to 100% of the quantities specified for each item of a lot. Bidders wishing to offer any price reduction (discount) for the award of more than one Contract shall specify the applicable price reduction in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 15.4 provided the bids for all lots are submitted and opened at the same time.

16. Currencies of Bid

- 16.1 The Bidder shall quote in Mauritian Rupees the portion of the bid price that corresponds to expenditures incurred in Mauritian Rupees, unless otherwise specified in the **BDS**.
- 16.2 The Bidder may express the bid price in the currency of any eligible country. If the Bidder wishes to be paid in a combination of amounts in different currencies, it may quote its price accordingly but shall use no more than two currencies in addition to Mauritian Rupees.
- 16.3 Local Bidders shall quote only in Mauritian Rupees as specified in the BDS.
- 17. Documents
 Establishing the
 Eligibility of the
 Bidder
- 17.1 To establish their eligibility in accordance with ITB Clause 5, Bidders shall complete the Bid Submission Form, included in Section IV: Bidding Forms.

- 18. Documents
 Establishing the
 Eligibility of the
 Goods and
 Related Services
- 18.1 To establish the eligibility of the Goods and Related Services in accordance with ITB Clause 6, Bidders shall complete the country of origin declarations in the Price Schedule Forms, included in Section IV, Bidding Forms.
- 19. Documents
 Establishing the
 Conformity of
 the Goods and
 Related Services
- 19.1 To establish the conformity of the Goods and Related Services to the Bidding Documents, the Bidder shall furnish as part of its Bid the documentary evidence that the Goods conform to the technical specifications and standards specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements.
- 19.2 The documentary evidence may be in the form of literature, drawings or data, and shall consist of a detailed item by item description of the essential technical and performance characteristics of the Goods and Related Services, demonstrating substantial responsiveness of the Goods and Related Services to the technical specification, and if applicable, a statement of deviations and exceptions to the provisions of the Schedule of Requirements.
- 19.3 The Bidder shall also furnish a list giving full particulars, including available sources and current prices of spare parts, special tools, etc., necessary for the proper and continuing functioning of the Goods during the period **specified in the BDS** following commencement of the use of the goods by the Purchaser.
- 19.4 Standards for workmanship, process, material, and equipment, as well as references to brand names or catalogue numbers specified by the Purchaser in the Schedule of Requirements, are intended to be descriptive only and not restrictive. The Bidder may offer other standards of quality, brand names, and/or catalogue numbers, provided that it demonstrates, to the Purchaser's satisfaction, that the substitutions ensure substantial equivalence or are superior to those specified in the Schedule of Requirements.
- 20. Documents
 Establishing the
 Qualifications of
 the Bidder
- 20.1 The documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications to perform the contract if its bid is accepted shall establish to the Purchaser's satisfaction that:
 - (a) if **required in the BDS**, a Bidder that does not manufacture or produce the Goods it offers to supply shall submit the Manufacturer's Authorization using the form included in Section IV, Bidding Forms, to demonstrate that it has been duly authorized by the manufacturer or producer of the Goods

to supply these Goods in Mauritius;

- (b) if **required in the BDS**, in case of a Bidder not doing business within Mauritius, the Bidder is or will be (if awarded the contract) represented by an Agent in Mauritius equipped and able to carry out the Supplier's maintenance, repair and spare parts-stocking obligations prescribed in the Conditions of Contract and/or Technical Specifications; and
- (c) the Bidder meets each of the qualification criterion specified in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria.

21. Period of Validity 21.1 of Bids

- 21.1 Bids shall remain valid for the period **specified in the BDS** after the bid submission deadline date prescribed by the Purchaser. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by the Purchaser as non-responsive.
- 21.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the bid validity period, the Purchaser may request bidders to extend the period of validity of their bids. The request and the responses shall be made in writing. If a Bid Security is requested in accordance with ITB Clause 22, it shall also be extended for a corresponding period. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its Bid Security. A Bidder granting the request shall not be required or permitted to modify its bid, except as provided in ITB Sub-Clause 21.3.
- 21.3 In the case of fixed price contracts, if the award is delayed by a period exceeding fifty-six (56) days beyond the expiry of the initial bid validity, the Contract price shall be adjusted as specified in the request for extension. Bid evaluation shall be based on the Bid Price without taking into consideration the above correction.

22. Bid Security

- 22.1 The Bidder shall either furnish as part of its bid, a Bid Security or subscribe to a Bid Securing Declaration in the Bid Submission Form **as specified in the BDS**.
- 22.2 The Bid Securing Declaration shall be in the form of a signed subscription in the Bid Submission Form.
- 22.3 The Bid Security shall be in the amount **specified in the BDS** and denominated in Mauritian Rupees or a freely convertible currency, and shall:
 - (a) be in the form of a bank guarantee from a reputable

overseas bank, or

- (b) be issued by a commercial bank or insurance company operating in Mauritius.
- (c) be substantially in accordance with the forms of Bid Security included in Section IV, Bidding Forms, or other form approved by the Purchaser prior to bid submission;
- (d) be payable promptly upon written demand by the Purchaser in case the conditions listed in ITB Clause 22.6 are invoked:
- (e) be submitted in its original form; copies will not be accepted;
- (f) remain valid for a period of 30 days beyond the validity period of the bids, as extended, if applicable, in accordance with ITB Clause 21.2;
- 22.4 Any bid not accompanied by an enforceable and substantially compliant Bid Security or not containing a subscription to a Bid Securing Declaration in the Bid Submission Form, if required, in accordance with ITB 22.1, shall be rejected by the Purchaser as nonresponsive.
- 22.5 The Bid Security of unsuccessful Bidders shall be returned as promptly as possible upon the successful Bidder's furnishing of the Performance Security pursuant to ITB Clause 45.
- 22.6 The Bid Security shall be forfeited or the Bid Securing Declaration executed:
 - (a) if a Bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Submission Form, except as provided in ITB Sub-Clause 21.2; or
 - (b) if a Bidder refuses to accept a correction of an error appearing on the face of the Bid; or
 - (c) if the successful Bidder fails to: sign the Contract in accordance with ITB 44; or furnish a performance security in accordance with ITB 45;
- 22.7 The Bid Security or Bid- Securing Declaration of a Joint Venture (JV) must be in the name of the JV that submits the bid. If the JV has not been legally constituted at the time of bidding, the Bid Security or Bid-Securing Declaration shall be in the names of all future partners as named in the letter of intent mentioned in

Section IV "Bidding Forms," Bidder Information Form Item 7.

22.8 If a bid security is **not required in the BDS**, and

- (a) if a Bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Letter of Bid Form, except as provided in ITB 21.2;
- (b) if a Bidder refuses to accept a correction of an error appearing on the face of the Bid; or
- (c) if the successful Bidder fails to: sign the Contract in accordance with ITB 43; or furnish a performance security in accordance with ITB 44.

the bidder may be disqualified by the Government of Mauritius to be awarded a contract by any Public Body for a period of time.

23. Format and Signing of Bid

- 23.1 The Bidder shall prepare one original of the documents comprising the bid as described in ITB Clause 12 and clearly mark it "ORIGINAL." In addition, the Bidder shall submit copies of the bid, in the number specified in the **BDS** and clearly mark them "COPY." In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.
- 23.2 The original and all copies of the bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by a person duly authorized to sign on behalf of the Bidder.
- 23.3 Any interlineation, erasure, or overwriting shall be valid only if it is signed or initialed by the person signing the Bid.

D. Submission and Opening of Bids

24. Submission, Sealing and Marking of Bids

- 24.1 Bidders may always submit their bids by mail or by hand. When so specified in the **BDS**, bidders shall have the option of submitting their bids electronically.
 - (a) Bidders submitting bids by mail or by hand, shall enclose the original and each copy of the Bid, including alternative bids, if permitted in accordance with ITB Clause 14, in separate sealed envelopes, duly marking the envelopes as "ORIGINAL" and "COPY." These envelopes containing the original and the copies shall then be enclosed in one single envelope. The rest of the procedure shall be in accordance with ITB sub-Clauses 24.2 and 24.3.
 - (b) Bidders submitting bids electronically shall follow the electronic bid submission procedures specified in the **BDS**.

- 24.2 The inner and outer envelopes shall:
 - (a) bear the name and address of the Bidder;
 - (b) be addressed to the Purchaser in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 25.1;
 - (c) bear the specific identification of this bidding process indicated in ITB 1.1 and any additional identification marks as **specified in the BDS**, and
 - (d) bear a warning not to open before the time and date for bid opening, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 28.1.
- 24.3 If all envelopes are not sealed and marked as required, the Purchaser will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the bid.

25. Deadline for Submission of Bids

- 25.1 Bids must be received by the Purchaser at the address and not later than the date and time **specified in the BDS**.
- 25.2 The Purchaser may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids by amending the Bidding Documents in accordance with ITB Clause 9, in which case all rights and obligations of the Purchaser and Bidders previously subject to the deadline shall thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

26. Late Bids

26.1 The Purchaser shall not consider any bid that arrives after the deadline for submission of bids, in accordance with ITB Clause 25. Any bid received by the Purchaser after the deadline for submission of bids shall be declared late, rejected, and returned unopened to the Bidder.

27. Withdrawal, Substitution, and Modification of Bids

- A Bidder may withdraw, substitute, or modify its Bid after it has been submitted by sending a written notice in accordance with ITB Clause 24, duly signed by an authorized representative, and shall include a copy of the authorization (the power of attorney) in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 23.2, (except that no copies of the withdrawal notice are required). The corresponding substitution or modification of the bid must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be:
 - (a) submitted in accordance with ITB Clauses 23 and 24 (except that withdrawal notices do not require copies), and in addition, the respective envelopes shall be clearly marked "WITHDRAWAL," "SUBSTITUTION," or "MODIFICATION;" and
 - (b) received by the Purchaser prior to the deadline prescribed

for submission of bids, in accordance with ITB Clause 25.

- 27.2 Bids requested to be withdrawn in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 27.1 shall be returned unopened to the Bidders.
- 27.3 No bid may be withdrawn, substituted, or modified in the interval between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Submission Form or any extension thereof.

28. Bid Opening

- 28.1 The Purchaser shall conduct the bid opening in the presence of the Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address, date and time **specified in the BDS.** Any specific electronic bid opening procedures required if electronic bidding is permitted in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 24.1 shall be as **specified in the BDS.**
- 28.2 First, envelopes marked "WITHDRAWAL" shall be opened and read out and the envelope with the corresponding bid shall not be opened, but returned to the Bidder. No bid withdrawal shall be permitted unless the corresponding withdrawal notice contains a valid authorization to request the withdrawal and is read out at bid opening. Next, envelopes marked "SUBSTITUTION" shall be opened and read out and exchanged with the corresponding Bid being substituted, and the substituted Bid shall not be opened, but returned to the Bidder. No Bid substitution shall be permitted unless the corresponding substitution notice contains a valid authorization to request the substitution and is read out at bid opening. Envelopes marked "MODIFICATION" shall be opened and read out with the corresponding Bid. No Bid modification shall be permitted unless the corresponding modification notice contains a valid authorization to request the modification and is read out at Bid opening. Only envelopes that are opened and read out at Bid opening shall be considered further.
- 28.3 All other envelopes shall be opened one at a time, reading out: the name of the Bidder; the Bid Price(s), including any discounts and alternative bids and indicating whether there is a modification; the presence of a bid security or the subscription with respect to the Bid Securing Declaration in the Bid Submission Form, if required; and any other details as the Purchaser may consider appropriate. Only discounts and alternative offers read out at bid opening shall be considered for evaluation. No bid shall be rejected at bid opening except for late bids, in accordance with ITB 26.1.
- 28.4 The Purchaser shall prepare a record of the Bid opening that

shall include, as a minimum: the name of the Bidder and whether there is a withdrawal, substitution, or modification; the Bid Price, per lot if applicable, including any discounts, and alternative offers if they were permitted; and the presence or absence of a Bid Security, if one was required. The Bidders' representatives who are present shall be requested to sign the record. The omission of a bidder's signature on the record shall not invalidate the contents and the effect of the record. A copy of the record shall be distributed, upon request, to all Bidders who submitted bids in time; and posted on line when electronic bidding is permitted.

E. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids

29. Confidentiality

- 29.1 Information relating to the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post-qualification of bids, and recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until publication of the Contract Award.
- 29.2 Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Purchaser in the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post-qualification of the bids or contract award decisions may result in the rejection of its Bid.
- 29.3 Notwithstanding ITB Sub-Clause 29.2, from the time of bid opening to the time of Contract Award, if any Bidder wishes to contact the Purchaser on any matter related to the bidding process, it should do so in writing.

30. Clarification of Bids

30.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation, comparison and post-qualification of the bids, the Purchaser may, at its discretion, ask any Bidder for a clarification of its Bid. Any clarification submitted by a Bidder in respect to its Bid and that is not in response to a request by the Purchaser shall not be considered. The Purchaser's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. No change in the prices or substance of the Bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by the Purchaser in the Evaluation of the bids, in accordance with ITB Clause 32.

31. Responsiveness of 31.1 Bids

- The Purchaser's determination of a bid's responsiveness is to be based on the contents of the bid itself.
- 31.2 A substantially responsive Bid is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the Bidding Documents without material deviation, reservation, or omission. A material deviation, reservation, or omission is one that:

- (a) affects in a substantial way the scope, quality, or performance of the Goods and Related Services specified in the Contract; or
- (b) limits in a substantial way, inconsistent with the Bidding Documents, the Purchaser's rights or the Bidder's obligations under the Contract; or
- (c) if rectified, would unfairly affect the competitive position of other bidders presenting substantially responsive bids.
- 31.3 If a bid is not substantially responsive to the Bidding Documents, it shall be rejected by the Purchaser and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.

32. Nonconformities, Errors, and Omissions

- 32.1 Provided that a Bid is substantially responsive, the Purchaser may waive any non-conformities or omissions in the Bid that do not constitute a material deviation.
- 32.2 Provided that a bid is substantially responsive, the Purchaser may request the Bidder to submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, or to rectify nonmaterial nonconformities or omissions in the bid relating to documentation requirements. Such omission shall not be related to any aspect of the price of the Bid. Failure of the Bidder to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its Bid.
- 32.3 Provided that the Bid is substantially responsive, the Purchaser shall correct arithmetical errors on the following basis:
 - (a) if there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the line item total that is obtained by multiplying the unit price by the quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the line item total shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of the Purchaser there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit price, in which case the line item total as quoted shall govern and the unit price shall be corrected;
 - (b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; and
 - (c) if there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail, unless the amount expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail subject to (a) and (b) above.

33. Preliminary Examination of

33.1 The Purchaser shall examine the bids to confirm that all documents and technical documentation requested in ITB Clause

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- 12 have been provided, and to determine the completeness of each document submitted.
- 33.2 The Purchaser shall confirm that the following documents and information have been provided in the Bid. If any of these documents or information is missing, the offer shall be rejected.
 - (a) Bid Submission Form, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 13.1;
 - (b) Price Schedules, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 13.2;
 - (c) Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration, in accordance with ITB Clause 22, if applicable.

34. Examination of Terms and Conditions; Technical Evaluation

- 34.1 The Purchaser shall examine the Bid to confirm that all terms and conditions specified in the GCC and the SCC have been accepted by the Bidder without any material deviation or reservation.
- 34.2 The Purchaser shall evaluate the technical aspects of the Bid submitted in accordance with ITB Clause 19, to confirm that all requirements specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements of the Bidding Documents have been met without any material deviation or reservation.
- 34.3 If, after the examination of the terms and conditions and the technical evaluation, the Purchaser determines that the Bid is not substantially responsive in accordance with ITB Clause 31, it shall reject the Bid.

35. Conversion to Single Currency

- 35.1 For evaluation and comparison purposes, the Purchaser shall convert all bid prices expressed in amounts in various currencies into an amount in a single currency **specified in the BDS**, using the selling exchange rates established by **Central Bank of Mauritius** and on the date **specified in the BDS**.
- 36. Margin of Preference
- 36.1 Margin of preference shall not be a factor in bid evaluation, unless otherwise **specified in the BDS**.
- 37. Evaluation of Bids
- 37.1 The Purchaser shall evaluate each bid that has been determined, up to this stage of the evaluation, to be substantially responsive.
- 37.2 To evaluate a Bid, the Purchaser shall use only the factors, methodologies and criteria defined in ITB Clause 37. No other criteria or methodology shall be permitted.
- 37.3 To evaluate a Bid, the Purchaser shall consider the following:

- (a) evaluation to be done for Items or Lots, as **specified in the BDS**; and the Bid Price as quoted in accordance with clause 15;
- (b) price adjustment for correction of arithmetic errors in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 32.3;
- (c) price adjustment due to discounts offered in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 15.4;
- (d) adjustments due to the application of the evaluation criteria **specified in the BDS** from amongst those set out in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria;
- (e) adjustments due to the application of a margin of preference, in accordance with ITB Clause 36 if applicable.
- 37.4 (a) The Purchaser's evaluation of a bid will take into account:
 - (i) in the case of Goods offered from within Mauritius, all taxes but excluding VAT payable on the Goods if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder;
 - (ii) in the case of Goods offered from outside Mauritius, customs duties applicable in and payable on the Goods if the Contract is awarded to the Bidder; and
 - (iii) transport and other costs for the goods to reach its final destination.
 - (b) The Purchaser's evaluation of a bid will **not** take into account any allowance for price adjustment during the period of performance of the Contract, if provided in the Bid.
- 37.5 The Purchaser's evaluation of a bid may require the consideration of other factors, in addition to the Bid Price quoted in accordance with ITB Clause 15. These factors may be related to the characteristics, performance, and terms and conditions of purchase of the Goods and Related Services. The effect of the factors selected, if any, shall be expressed in monetary terms to facilitate comparison of bids, unless otherwise specified in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria. The factors, methodologies and criteria to be used shall be as specified in ITB 37.3 (d).
- 37.6 If so **specified in the BDS**, these Bidding Documents shall allow Bidders to quote separate prices for one or more lots, and shall allow the Purchaser to award one or multiple lots to more than one Bidder. The methodology of evaluation to determine the lowest-evaluated lot combinations, is specified in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria.

38. Comparison of Bids

38.1 The Purchaser shall compare all substantially responsive bids to determine the lowest-evaluated bid, in accordance with ITB Clause 37.

39. Post-qualification of the Bidder

- 39.1 The Purchaser shall determine to its satisfaction whether the Bidder that is selected as having submitted the lowest evaluated and substantially responsive bid is qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.
- 39.2 The determination shall be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications submitted by the Bidder, pursuant to ITB Clause 20.
- 39.3 An affirmative determination shall be a prerequisite for award of the Contract to the Bidder. A negative determination shall result in disqualification of the bid, in which event the Purchaser shall proceed to the next lowest evaluated bid to make a similar determination of that Bidder's capabilities to perform satisfactorily.
- 39.4 Notwithstanding anything stated above, the Purchaser reserves the right to assess the Bidder's capabilities and capacity to execute the Contract satisfactorily before deciding on award.
- 40. Purchaser's
 Right to Accept
 Any Bid, and to
 Reject Any or All
 Bids
- 40.1 The Purchaser reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to contract award, without thereby incurring any liability to Bidders.

F. Award of Contract

41. Award Criteria

- 41.1 The Purchaser shall award the Contract to the Bidder whose offer has been determined to be the lowest evaluated bid and is substantially responsive to the Bidding Documents, provided further that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.
- 42. Purchaser's
 Right to Vary
 Quantities at
 Time of Award
- 42.1 At the time the Contract is awarded, the Purchaser reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity of Goods and Related Services originally specified in Section V, Schedule of Requirements, provided this does not exceed the percentages specified in the BDS, and without any change in the unit prices or other terms and conditions of the bid and the Bidding Documents.

43. Notification of Award

43.1 Prior to the expiration of the period of bid validity, the Purchaser shall, for contract amount above the prescribed threshold, notify

the selected bidder of the proposed award and accordingly notify unsuccessful bidders. Subject to Challenge and Appeal the Purchaser shall notify the selected Bidder, in writing, by a Letter of Acceptance for award of contract. The Letter of Acceptance shall specify the sum that the Purchaser will pay the Supplier in consideration of the execution and completion of the Contract (hereinafter and in the Conditions of Contract and Contract Forms called "the Contract Price"). Within seven days from the issue of Letter of Acceptance, the Purchaser shall publish on the Public Procurement Portal (publicprocurement.govmu.org) and the Purchaser's website, the results of the Bidding Process identifying the bid and lot numbers and the following information:

- (i) name of the successful Bidder, and the Price it offered, as well as the duration and summary scope of the contract awarded; and
- (ii) an executive summary of the Bid Evaluation Report
- 43.2 Until a formal Contract is prepared and executed, the letter of Acceptance shall constitute a binding Contract.
- 44.1 Promptly after issue of letter of acceptance, the Purchaser shall send the successful Bidder the Agreement and the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 44.2 Within twenty-eight (28) days of receipt of the Agreement, the successful Bidder shall sign, date, and return it to the Purchaser.
- 44.3 Notwithstanding ITB 44.2 above, in case signing of the Contract Agreement is prevented by any export restrictions attributable to the Purchaser, to Mauritius, or to the use of the products/goods, systems or services to be supplied, where such export restrictions arise from trade regulations from a country supplying those products/goods, systems or services, the Bidder shall not be bound by its bid, always provided, however, that the Bidder can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Purchaser that signing of the Contact Agreement has not been prevented by any lack of diligence on the part of the Bidder in completing any formalities, including applying for permits, authorizations and licenses necessary for the export of the products/goods, systems or services under the terms of the Contract.

45. Performance Security

45.1 Within twenty eight (28) days of the receipt of letter of Acceptance from the Purchaser, the successful Bidder, if required, shall furnish the Performance Security in accordance with the GCC, using for that purpose the Performance Security Form included in Section VIII Contract forms, or another Form

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acceptable to the Purchaser. The Purchaser shall promptly notify the name of the winning Bidder to each unsuccessful Bidder and discharge the Bid Securities of the unsuccessful bidders pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause 22.4.

45.2 Failure of the successful Bidder to submit the above-mentioned Performance Security or sign the Contract shall lead to the annulment of the award and forfeiture of the Bid Security or execution of the Bid-Securing Declaration. In that event the Purchaser may award the Contract to the next lowest evaluated Bidder, whose offer is substantially responsive and is determined by the Purchaser to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.

46. Debriefing

46.1 The Purchaser shall promptly attend to all debriefing for the contract made in writing and within 30 days from the date of the publication of the award or date the unsuccessful bidders are informed about the award, whichever is the case by following regulation 9 of the Public Procurement Regulations 2008 as amended.

Section II. Bidding Data Sheet (BDS)

The following specific data for the goods to be procured shall complement, supplement, or amend the provisions in the Instructions to Bidders (ITB). Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions herein shall prevail over those in ITB.

[Instructions for completing the Bid Data Sheet are provided, as needed, in the notes in italics mentioned for the relevant ITB Clauses.]

ITB Clause Reference	A. General
ITB 1.1	The Purchaser is: Mauritius Emerging Technologies Council
ITB 1.1	The name and identification number of the Procurement are: METC/G/SBD1/2023-24/01
	The number, identification and names of the lots comprising this Procurement are: Not applicable
	The Invitation for Bids has been issued through an Open international bidding procedure.
ITB 1.1	The name of the Project is: Mauritius Island services
ITB 2.1	The Funding Agency is: National Resilience Fund
ITB 3.3	(a) The address to file challenge in respect of this procurement is: Executive Director, Mauritius Emerging Technologies Council, Level 6, Cyber Tower II, Cybercity, Ebène
	(b) The address to file application for review is:
	The Chairperson Independent Review Panel, 5th Floor Belmont House Intendance Street Port Louis Tel: +2302602228 Fax No. Email: irp@govmu.org

ITB 5.3	A list of firms debarred from participating in Public Procurement in Mauritius is available at ppo.govmu.org						
	A list of firms debarred by World Bank is available at http://www.worldbank.org/debarr.						
	B. Contents of Bidding Documents						
ITB 8.1	For <u>Clarification of bid purposes</u> only, the Purchaser's address is:						
	Attention: Mr Juggoo Akhilesh						
	Address: Level 7, SICOM Tower, Wall Street						
	Country: Mauritius						
	Telephone: 401 3569						
	Facsimile number: Not applicable						
	Electronic mail address: contact@metc.govmu.org						
	A pre-bid meeting will be held on Monday 4th March 2024 at Level 6 , Cyber Tower II , Ebène Cybercity , Ebène						
	C. Preparation of Bids						
ITB 12.1 (c)	 (a)No written evidence is required. (c)In the case of Bids submitted by an existing or intended JV an undertaking signed by all parties (i) stating that all parties shall be jointly and severally liable, if so required in accordance with ITB 5.1, and (ii) nominating a Representative who shall have the authority to conduct all business for and on behalf of any and all the parties of the JV during the bidding process and, in the event the JV is awarded the Contract, during contract execution."] Note: The power of Attorney or other written authorization to sign may be for a determined period or limited to a specific purpose. 						
ITB 12.1 (h)	The Bidder shall submit the following additional documents in its bid: A portfolio of similar or related project done (please specify whether done alone or in partnership)						
ITB 14.1	Alternative Bids shall not be considered.						
ITB 15.5	The Incoterms edition is: Incoterms 2010.						
ITB 15.6 (b)	For Goods offered from outside Mauritius, the Bidder shall quote prices using the						

(i), (ii)	following Incoterms:
ITB 15.7	The prices quoted by the Bidder: shall not be adjustable
ITB 15.8	Prices quoted for each lot shall correspond at least to 100 % of the items specified for each lot.
	Prices quoted for each item of a lot shall correspond at least to 100 % of the quantities specified for this item of a lot.
ITB 16.1	The Bidder <i>is</i> required to quote in Mauritian Rupees the portion of the bid price that corresponds to expenditures incurred in that currency.
ITB 16.3	Bidders shall quote only in Mauritian Rupees.
ITB 19.3	Period of time the Goods are expected to be functioning (for the purpose of spare parts): not applicable
ITB 20.1 (a)	Manufacturer's authorization is not applicable
ITB 20.1 (b)	After sales service is required
ITB 21.1	The bid validity period shall be 90 days.
ITB 22.1	no Bid Security is required
ITB 22.3	The amount of the Bid Security shall be: <i>not applicable</i> .
ITB 22.8	If the Bidder incurs any of the actions prescribed in subparagraphs (a) to (c) of this provision, the Bidder may be declared ineligible to be awarded contracts by the Government of Mauritius for a period of time (not exceeding 5 years) to be determined by the Procurement Policy Office.
ITB 23.1	In addition to the original of the bid, the number of copies is: <i>not applicable</i> .
	D. Submission and Opening of Bids
ITB 24.1	Bidders shall not have the option of submitting their bids electronically.
ITB 24.1 (b)	Not applicable
ITB 24.2 (c)	The inner and outer envelopes shall bear the following additional

	identification marks: Procurement Ref. No: METC/ G/SBD1/2023-24/01				
ITB 25.1	For bid submission purposes, the Purchaser's address is:				
	Attention: Executive director, Mauritius Emerging Technologies Council,				
	Address: Cyber Tower 2				
	Floor-Room number: <i>Level 6</i>				
	City: Ebène				
	Country: Mauritius				
	The deadline for the submission of bids is:				
	Date: 25 March 2024 by Time: Noon				
	The bid document shall be dropped in Tender Box located at the above address.				
ITB 28.1	The bid opening shall take place at:				
	Street Address: Cyber Tower 2, Cybercity, Ebène				
	Floor/ Room number: Level 6				
	City: <i>Ebène</i>				
	Country: Mauritius				
	Date: 25 March 2024				
	Time: 3:30 p.m				
ITB 27.1	If electronic bid submission is permitted in accordance with ITB subclause 23.1, the specific bid opening procedures shall be: not applicable				
	E. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids				
ITB 35.1	Bid prices expressed in different currencies shall be converted in: not applicable				
	The source of exchange rate shall be: not applicable				
	The date for the exchange rate shall be not applicable				
ITB 36.1	A margin of preference shall be applicable to local Small and Medium Enterprises as indicated in Section III.				

ITB 37.3(a)	Evaluation will be done for							
	["Bids will be evaluated by lot. If a Price Schedule shows items listed but not priced, their prices shall be assumed to be included in the prices of other items. An item not listed in the Price Schedule shall be assumed to be not included in the bid, and provided that the bid is substantially responsive, the average price of the item quoted by substantially responsive bidders will be added to the bid price and the equivalent total cost of the bid so determined will be used for price comparison".]							
ITB 37.3(d)	The adjustments shall be determined using the following criteria, from amongst those set out in Section III, Evaluation and Qualification Criteria: (a) deviation in Delivery schedule: No.							
	(b) deviation in payment schedule: No.							
	(c) the cost of major replacement components, mandatory spare parts, and service: Not applicable							
	(d) the availability in Mauritius of spare parts and after-sales services for the equipment offered in the bid : Not applicable							
	(e) the projected operating and maintenance costs during the life of the equipment: No							
	(f) the performance and productivity of the equipment offered; No							
ITB 37.6	Bidders <i>shall not</i> be allowed to quote separate prices for one or more lots.							
	F. Award of Contract							
ITB 42.1	The maximum percentage by which quantities may be increased or decreased is: Not applicable							

Section III. Evaluation and Qualification Criteria

This Section complements the Instructions to Bidders. It contains the criteria that the Purchaser may use to evaluate a bid and determine whether a Bidder has the required qualifications. No other criteria shall be used.

[The Purchaser shall select the criteria deemed appropriate for the procurement process, insert the appropriate wording using the samples referred to in this section or other acceptable wording, and delete the text in italics]

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1. Evaluation Criteria (ITB 37.3 (d))

The Purchaser's evaluation of a bid may take into account, in addition to the Bid Price quoted in accordance with ITB Clause 15.6, one or more of the following factors as specified in ITB Sub-Clause 37.3(d) and in BDS referring to ITB 37.3(d), using the following criteria and methodologies.

(a) Delivery schedule. (as per Incoterms specified in the BDS)

The Goods specified in the List of Goods are required to be delivered within the acceptable time range (after the earliest and before the final date, both dates inclusive) specified in Section VI, Delivery Schedule. No credit will be given to deliveries before the earliest date, and bids offering delivery after the final date shall be treated as non responsive. Within this acceptable period, an adjustment, as specified in BDS Sub-Clause 37.3(d), will be added, for evaluation purposes only, to the bid price of bids offering deliveries later than the "Earliest Delivery Date" specified in Section VI, Delivery Schedule.

- (b) Deviation in payment schedule.
 - (i) Bidders shall state their bid price for the payment schedule outlined in the SCC. Bids shall be evaluated on the basis of this base price. Bidders are, however, permitted to state an alternative payment schedule and indicate the reduction in bid price they wish to offer for such alternative payment schedule. The Purchaser may consider the alternative payment schedule and the reduced bid price offered by the Bidder selected on the basis of the base price for the payment schedule outlined in the SCC.
- (c) Cost of major replacement components, mandatory spare parts, and service: **Not applicable**
 - (d) Availability in Mauritius of spare parts and after sales services for equipment offered in the bid.

An adjustment equal to the cost to the Purchaser of establishing the minimum service facilities and parts inventories, as outlined in BDS Sub-Clause 37.3(d), if quoted separately, shall be added to the bid price, for evaluation purposes only.

(e) Projected operating and maintenance costs.

An adjustment to take into account the operating and maintenance costs of the Goods will be added to the bid price, for evaluation purposes only, if specified in BDS Sub-Clause 37.3(d). The adjustment will be evaluated in accordance with the methodology specified in the BDS Sub-Clause 37.3(d).

(f) Performance and productivity of the equipment: Not applicable

(g) Specific additional criteria Not applicable

Other specific additional criteria to be considered in the evaluation, and the evaluation method shall be detailed in BDS Sub-Clause 37.3(d)]

2. Multiple Contracts (ITB 37.6)

The Purchaser shall award multiple contracts to the Bidder that offers the lowest evaluated combination of bids (one contract per bid) and meets the post-qualification criteria (Section III, Sub-Section ITB 39.2 Post-Qualification Requirements)

The Purchaser shall:

- (a) evaluate only lots or contracts that include at least the percentages of items per lot and quantity per item as specified in ITB Sub Clause 15.8
- (b) take into account:
 - (i) the lowest-evaluated bid for each lot and
 - (ii) the price reduction per lot and the methodology for its application as offered by the Bidder in its bid.

3. Post-qualification Requirements (ITB 39.2)

After determining the lowest-evaluated bid in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 39.1, the Purchaser shall carry out the post-qualification of the Bidder in accordance with ITB Clause 39, using only the requirements specified. Requirements not included in the text below shall not be used in the evaluation of the Bidder's qualifications.

(a) Financial Capability

The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence that it meets the following financial requirement(s): Not applicable

- (b) Qualification requirements; Not applicable
- (c) Experience and Technical Capacity

The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence to demonstrate that it meets the following experience requirements

- (i) Creation of online platform
- (ii) Development of Business Intelligence tools for reporting
- (iii) Development of web & mobile application

The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence to demonstrate that the Goods it offers meet the following usage requirement: **Not applicable**

4. Margin of Preference (ITB 36.1)

Small and Medium Enterprises (SME), registered with the SME Mauritius Ltd and submitting the "Made in Moris" certification issued by the Association of Mauritian Manufacturers for the locally manufactured goods procured through this contract shall benefit from a Margin of Preference of 40% at evaluation.

SMEs not holding "Made in Moris" certification, whose local input in the locally manufactured goods procured through this contract accounts for at least 25 %, shall be eligible for a Margin of Preference of 30% at evaluation.

Local companies whose local input in the locally manufactured goods procured through this contract accounts for at least 25 % or bearing the 'Made in Moris' certification shall be eligible for a Margin of Preference of 30% at evaluation

Bidders applying for the Margin of Preference shall submit along with their bid, the following:

- (i) evidence of their registration as enterprise in the Republic of Mauritius;
- (ii) where applicable, evidence of registration with SME Mauritius Ltd.;
- (iii) A cost structure for the goods item manufactured locally as per the format contained in the bidding document (where applicable);
- (iv)Certification issued by the Association of Mauritian Manufacturers for the goods bearing the "Made in Moris" label (where applicable).

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Bidder Information Form

[The Bidder shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions indicated below. No alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.]

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of Bid Submission] Procurement No.: METC/ G/SBD1/2023-24/01 Page _____ of ____ pages 1. Bidder's Legal Name [insert Bidder's legal name] 2. In case of JV, legal name of each party: [insert legal name of each party in JV] 3. Bidder's actual or intended Country of Registration: [insert actual or intended Country of Registration] 4. Bidder's Year of Registration: [insert Bidder's year of registration] 5. Bidder's Legal Address in Country of Registration: [insert Bidder's legal address in country of registration] 6. Bidder's Authorized Representative Name: [insert Authorized Representative's name] Address: [insert Authorized Representative's Address] Telephone/Fax numbers: [insert Authorized Representative's telephone/fax numbers] Email Address: [insert Authorized Representative's email address] 7. Attached are copies of original documents of: [check the box(es) of the attached original documents] Articles of Incorporation or Registration of firm named in 1, above, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clauses 5.1 and 5.2. In case of JV, letter of intent to form JV or JV agreement, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 5.1. In case of government owned entity from Mauritius, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance with commercial law, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 5.5.

Joint Venture Partner Information Form

[The Bidder shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions indicated below].

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of Bid Submission]

Procurement No.: [insert reference number of bidding process]

1. Bidder's Legal Name: [insert Bidder's legal name]
2. JV's Party legal name: [insert JV's Party legal name]
3. JV's Party Country of Registration: [insert JV's Party country of registration]
4. JV's Party Year of Registration: [insert JV's Part year of registration]
5. JV's Party Legal Address in Country of Registration: [insert JV's Party legal address in country of registration]
6. JV's Party Authorized Representative
Name: [insert name of JV's Party authorized representative]
Address: [insert address of JV's Party authorized representative]
Telephone/Fax numbers: [insert telephone/fax numbers of JV's Party authorized representative]
Email Address: [insert email address of JV's Party authorized representative]
7. Attached are copies of original documents of: [check the box(es) of the attached original documents]
☐ Articles of Incorporation or Registration of firm named in 2, above, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clauses 4.1 and 4.2.
☐ In case of government owned entity from Mauritius, documents establishing legal and financial autonomy and compliance with commercial law, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 5.5.

Bid Submission Form

[The Bidder shall fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions indicated. No alterations to its format shall be permitted and no substitutions shall be accepted.]

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of Bid Submission]
Procurement Ref. No.: [insert reference number of bidding process]
Alternative No.: [insert identification No if this is a Bid for an alternative]

	Alternative No.: [insert identification No if this is a Bid for an alternative]
То:	[insert complete name of Purchaser]
We,	the undersigned, declare that:
(a)	We have examined and have no reservations to the Bidding Documents, including Addenda No.:finsert the number and issuing date of each Addendum];
(b)	We offer to supply in conformity with the Bidding Documents and in accordance with the Delivery Schedules specified in the Schedule of Requirements the following Goods and Related Services [insert a brief description of the Goods and Related Services];
(c)	The total price of our Bid, excluding any discounts offered in item (d) below, is:
(d)	The discounts offered and the methodology for their application are:
	Discounts. If our bid is accepted, the following discounts shall apply
	Methodology of Application of the Discounts. The discounts shall be applied using the following method: [Specify in detail the method that shall be used to apply the discounts];
(e)	Our bid shall be valid for the period of time specified in ITB Sub-Clause 21.1, from the date fixed for the bid submission deadline in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 25.1, and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before the expiration of that period;
(f)	If our bid is accepted, we undertake to obtain a Performance Security in accordance with ITB Clause 45 and GCC Clause 18 for the due performance of the Contract;
(g)	We, including any subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the contract, have nationality from eligible countries [insert the nationality of the Bidder,

including that of all parties that comprise the Bidder, if the Bidder is a JV, and the nationality each subcontractor and supplier]

- (h) We have no conflict of interest in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 5.2;
- (i) Our firm, its affiliates or subsidiaries—including any subcontractor or supplier for any part of the contract—have not been declared ineligible by an international financing agency such as the World Bank, African Development Bank or any other international agency or under the Laws of Mauritius or official regulations in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 5.3;
- (j) I/We declare that I/We "qualify/do not qualify" for Margin of Preference as per Table below, and has submitted documentary evidence in this respect.

Description of Bidder	Applicable	Margin	of	Bidder to tick as appropriate
	preference			
Small and medium Enterprise		40%		
bearing the 'Made in Moris'				
certification for the locally				
manufactured goods proposed				
Small and medium Enterprise		30%		
proposing locally manufactured				
goods				
Local companies proposing		20%		
locally manufactured goods				

(k) The following commissions, gratuities, or fees have been paid or are to be paid with respect to the bidding process or execution of the Contract: [insert complete name of each Recipient, its full address, the reason for which each commission or gratuity was paid is payable and the amount and currency of each such commission or gratuity]

Name of Recipient	Address	Reason	Amount

(If none has been paid or is to be paid, indicate "none.")

(l) We hereby confirm that we have read and understood the content of the Bid Securing Declaration attached herewith and subscribe fully to the terms and conditions contained therein, if required. We understand that non-compliance to the conditions mentioned may lead to disqualification.

- (m) We have taken steps to ensure that no person acting for us or on our behalf will engage in any type of fraud and corruption as per the principles described hereunder, during the bidding process and contract execution:
 - i. We shall not, directly or through any other person or firm, offer, promise or give to any of the Purchaser's employees involved in the bidding process or the execution of the contract or to any third person any material or immaterial benefit which he/she is not legally entitled to, in order to obtain in exchange any advantage of any kind whatsoever during the tender process or during the execution of the contract.
 - ii. We shall not enter with other Bidders into any undisclosed agreement or understanding, whether formal or informal. This applies in particular to prices, specifications, certifications, subsidiary contracts, submission or non-submission of bids or any other actions to restrict competitiveness or to introduce cartelisation in the bidding process.
 - iii. We shall not use falsified documents, erroneous data or deliberately not disclose requested facts to obtain a benefit in a procurement proceeding.

We understand that transgression of the above is a serious offence and appropriate actions will be taken against such bidders.

- (n) We understand that this bid, together with your written acceptance, shall constitute a binding contract between us, until a formal contract is prepared and executed.
- (o) We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest evaluated bid or any other bid that you may receive.

Signed:		whose name and capacity are shown]
In the capacity of	[insert legal capacity of pers	son signing the Bid Submission Form]
Name:	[insert complete name of person	signing the Bid Submission Form]
Duly authorized to sig	n the bid for and on behalf of:	[insert complete name of Bidder]
Dated on	day of	,[insert date of signing]

Appendix to Bid Submission Form

Bid Securing Declaration

By subscribing to the undertaking in respect of paragraph (l) of the Bid Submission Form:

I/We* accept that I/we* may be disqualified from bidding for any contract with any Public Body for the period of time that may be determined by the Procurement Policy Office under section 35 of the Public Procurement Act, if I am/we are* in breach of any obligation under the bid conditions, because I/we*:

- (a) have modified or withdrawn my/our* Bid after the deadline for submission of bids during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder in the Bid Submission Form; or
- (b) have refused to accept a correction of an error appearing on the face of the Bid; or
- (c) having been notified of the acceptance of our Bid by the *(insert name of public body)* during the period of bid validity, (i) have failed or refused to execute the Contract, if required, or (ii) have failed or refused to furnish the Performance Security, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

I/We* understand this Bid Securing Declaration shall cease to be valid (a) in case I/we am/are the successful bidder, upon our receipt of copies of the contract signed by you and the Performance Security issued to you by me/us; or (b) if I am/we are* not the successful Bidder, upon the earlier of (i) the receipt of your notification of the name of the successful Bidder; or (ii) thirty days after the expiration of the validity of my/our* Bid.

In case of a Joint Venture, all the partners of the Joint Venture shall be jointly and severally liable.

Price Schedule Forms

[The Bidder shall fill in these Price Schedule Forms in accordance with the instructions indicated. The list of line items in column 1 of the **Price Schedules** shall coincide with the List of Goods and Related Services specified by the Purchaser in the Schedule of Requirements.]

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Price Schedule : Goods Manufactured outside Mauritius to be imported

Bidder's name and address:									Date: Procurement Ref. No:		
1	2	3		4	5	6	7	8		9	10
Line Item N°	Description of Goods and related services	Country of Origin	Delivery		Quantity and physical unit	Unit Price FOB	Freight Charges per unit	Insurance Charges per unit		Unit price CIF/CIP [insert place of destination] (col 6+7+8)	CIF/CIP Price per line item (Col. 5x9)
[insert number of the item]	[insert name of good]	[insert country of origin of the Good]	[insert no. of weeks]		[insert number of units to be supplied and name of the physical unit]	[insert unit FOB price]	[insert charges per unit]	[insert char unit]		[insert unit price CIF/CIP]	[insert total CIFCIP price per line item]
											_
	Total Bid Price										

Name of Bidder [insert complete name of Bidder]

Signature of Bidder [signature of person signing the Bid]

Date [Insert Date]

Price Schedule: Goods Manufactured outside Mauritius already imported

Bidder's name and address:			Prices to be in Mauritian Rupees				Date: Procurement Ref No:		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Line Item N°	Description of Goods and related services	Country of Origin	Delivery	Quantity and physical unit	Unit price including Custom Duties and Import Taxes paid,	Price per line item inclusive of Custom Duties and Import Taxes paid, (col. 5x6)	Price per line item for inland transportation to convey the Goods to their final destination	VAT payable per line item if Contract is awarded	Total Price per line item (Col. 7+8) (DDP)
[insert number of the item]	[insert name of Goods]	[insert country of origin of the Good]	[insert no. of weeks]	[insert number of units to be supplied and name of the physical unit]	[insert unit price per unit]	[insert price per line item inclusive of custom duties and import taxes]	[insert price per line item for inland transportation and other services required in the Mauritius]	[insert VAT and other taxes payable per item if Contract is awarded]	[insert total price per line item]
								Total Bid Price	

Prices are: fixed/adjustable to rate of exchange*.

Rate of exchange: (insert base rate)

Percentage of price adjustable to exchange rate: (percentage of col.7)

Name of Bidder [insert complete name of Bidder] Signature of Bidder [signature of person signing the Bid] Date [insert date]

*: delete as appropriate

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Price Schedule: Goods Manufactured in Mauritius

Bidder's name and address:							Date:		
				Prices to be in Mauritian Rupees			Procurement Ref. No:		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Line Item N°	Description of Goods and related services	Delivery	Quantity and physical unit	Unit price EXW	Total EXW price per line item (Col. 4×5)	Price per line item for inland transportation to convey the Goods to their final destination	VAT payable per line item if Contract is awarded	Total Price per line item (Col. 6+7)	
[insert number of the item]	[insert name of Good]	[insert no. of weeks]	[insert number of units to be supplied and name of the physical unit]	[insert EXW unit price]	[insert total EXW price per line item]	[insert the corresponding price per line item]	[insert VAT payable per line item if Contract is awarded]	[insert total price per item]	
-		<u> </u>		·	•	1	Total Bid Price		
Prices a	re: fixed/adjustable	to rate of exchange	*				<u>'</u>	1	
Rate of	exchange: (insert bo	ase rate)		Percentage of p	orice adjustable to ex	change rate: (perce	entage of col. 6)		
N.T.									

Name of Bidder [insert complete name of Bidder]

Signature of Bidder [signature of person signing the Bid]

Date [insert date]

^{*:} delete as appropriate

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Price and Completion Schedule - Related Services

Date:						
	ment Ref. No: Currencies in accordance with ITB Sub-C	Clause 15	5			
MIE I C	/ G/SBD1/2023-24/01					
	Alternative No: Page N°	of	r		-	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Service N°	Description of Services (excludes inland transportation and other services required in Mauritius to convey the goods to their final destination)	Country of Origin	Delivery Date at place of Final	Quantity and physical unit	Unit price	Total Price per Service (Col. 5*6 or
			destination			estimate)
1	Creation of an online platform (Web & App)	Z	7 weeks as	lot	Z	
	- Registration and onboarding	 2	from date		ot a	
	- Profile Creation	ap]	of award		[dd	
	- Google Map Service Integration	Not applicable			Not applicable	
	- Services	ક્ષ <u>ે</u>			ble	
	- Rating	l				
	- Analytics and Insights					
	- Privacy and Security					
	- Scalability					
	- Accessibility					
	- Front end design &					
	Back-end design					
	- Database creation					
	- Hosting of online platform					
	- User manual and Training for administrator					
	(A more detailed specification, with description of the project is as per Annex A)					
				Total Bid		
				Price		
Name o	f Ridder:	Date				

Bid Security (Bank/Insurance Guarantee) Not applicable

	[Bank/Insurance company's Name and Address of issuing Branch or Office]
•	[Name and Address of Public Body]
	NTEE No.:
has submitted	n informed that
Furthermore, Security.	we understand that, according to your conditions, bids must be supported by a Bid
hereby irrevo your first den	cably undertake to pay you any sum or sums not exceeding in total an amount of and in writing accompanied by a written statement stating that the Bidder is in breach on(s) under the bid conditions, because the Bidder:
(a)	has modified or withdrawn its Bid after the deadline for submission of its bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder in the Form of Bid; or
(b)	has refused to accept a correction of an error appearing on the face of the Bid; or
(c)	having been notified of the acceptance of its Bid by the Public Body during the period of bid validity, (i) has failed or refused to sign the contract Form, if required, or (ii) has failed or refused to furnish the Performance Security, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.
contract signe Bidder; or (b) your notificat	e shall expire: (a) if the Bidder is the successful bidder, upon our receipt of copies of the ed by the Bidder and the Performance Security issued to you upon the instruction of the if the Bidder is not the successful bidder, upon the earlier of (i) our receipt of a copy of tion to the Bidder of the name of the successful bidder; or (ii) thirty days after the the Bidder's Bid.
	, any demand for payment under this guarantee must be received by us at the office on
	ee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees, ICC Publication No. 458. o overseas bidders only).
 1	[Bank/Insurance company's seal and authorized signature(s)
I	***************************************

Manufacturer's Authorization

[The Bidder shall require the Manufacturer to fill in this Form in accordance with the instructions indicated. This letter of authorization should be on the letterhead of the Manufacturer and should be signed by a person with the proper authority to sign documents that are binding on the Manufacturer. The Bidder shall include it in its bid, if so indicated in the **BDS**.]

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of Bid Submission]
Procurement Ref. No.: [insert number of bidding process]
Alternative No.: [insert identification No if this is a Bid for an alternative]

To: [insert complete name of Purchaser]

WHEREAS

We [insert complete name of Manufacturer], who are official manufacturers of [insert type of goods manufactured], having factories at [insert full address of Manufacturer's factories], do hereby authorize [insert complete name of Bidder] to submit a bid the purpose of which is to provide the following Goods, manufactured by us [insert name and or brief description of the Goods], and to subsequently negotiate and sign the Contract.

We hereby extend our full guarantee and warranty in accordance with Clause 28 of the General Conditions of Contract, with respect to the Goods offered by the above firm.

Signed: [insert signature(s) of authorized representative(s) of the Manufacturer]									
Name: [insert co	omplete name(s) of authori	zed representative(s) of the Manufacturer]							
Title: [insert title	e]								
Dated on	day of	,[insert date of signin	<i>g]</i>						

COST STRUCTURE FOR VALUE ADDED CALCULATION PER PRODUCT

COST STRUCTURE FOR VALUE ADDED CALCULATION **PER PRODUCT** Rs Rs Raw Materials, Accessories & Components Imported (CIF) Local **Labour Cost** • Direct Labour **Direct Factory Expenses** Operating Cost of Machine Expenses related for finishing of goods Packaging costs **Cost of Factory Overheads** Electricity • Rates & Insurance • Telephone • Rent Depreciation Interest on Loans Direct Consumables Indirect Labour Charges (factory employees) Other (please specify) TOTAL COST

Local Value Added = $\underline{\text{Total Cost} - \text{Cost of imported inputs}}$ x 100 $\underline{\text{Total Cost}}$

• The cost structure should be certified by a Certified Accountant

Notes on Locally manufactured goods

Locally Manufactured Goods -Value-added criterion

The goods have been produced in Mauritius wholly or partially from imported materials (or materials of unknown origin) and the value added resulting from the process of production accounts for at least 25% of the ex-factory cost of the finished product.

Explanation:

The value added is the difference between the ex-factory cost of the finished product and the c.i.f. value of imported materials used in production.

Ex-factory cost means the value of the total inputs required to produce a given product. In applying this criterion, domestic material content may be either low or non-existent in the composition of the products.

Calculation of ex-factory cost:

The following costs, charges and expenses should be included:

(a) The cost of imported materials, as represented by their c.i.f. value accepted by the Customs authorities on clearance for home consumption, or on temporary admission at the time of last importation in Mauritius where they were used in a process of production, less the amount of any transport costs incurred in transit.

Provided that the cost of imported materials not imported by the manufacturer will be the delivery cost at the factory but excluding customs duties and other charges of equivalent effect thereon;

- (b) The cost of **local materials**, as represented by their delivery price at the factory;
- (c) The cost of **direct labour** as represented by the wages paid to the operatives responsible for the manufacture of the goods;
- (d) The cost of direct factory expenses, as represented by:
 - the operating cost of the machine being used to manufacture the goods;
 - the expenses incurred in the cleaning, drying, polishing, pressing or any other process, as may be necessary for the finishing of the goods;
 - the cost of putting up the goods in their retail packages and the cost of such packages but excluding any extra cost of packing the goods for transportation and the cost of any extra packages;
 - the cost of special designs, drawings or layout; and the hire of tools, or equipment for the production of the goods.

(e) The cost of **factory overheads** as represented by:

- rent, rates and insurance charges directly attributed to the factory;
- indirect labour charges, including salaries paid to factory managers, wages paid to foremen, examiners and testers of the goods;
- power, light, water and other service charges directly attributed to the cost of manufacture of the goods;
- consumable stores, including minor tools, grease, oil and other incidental items and materials used in the manufacture of the goods;
- depreciation and maintenance of factory buildings, plant and machinery, tools and other items used in the manufacture of the goods

The following costs, charges and expenses should be excluded:

(a) Administration expenses as represented by:

- office expenses, office rent and salaries paid to accountants, clerks, managers and other executive personnel;
- directors' fees, other than salaries paid to directors who act in the capacity of factory managers;
- statistical and costing expenses in respect of the manufactured goods;
- investigation and experimental expenses.

(b) Selling expenses, as represented by:

- the cost of soliciting and securing orders, including such expenses as advertising charges and agents' or salesmen' commission or salaries;
- expenses incurred in the making of designs, estimates and tenders.

(c) **Distribution expenses**, represented by all the expenditure incurred after goods have left the factory, including;

- the cost of any materials and payments of wages incurred in the packaging of the goods for export;
- warehousing expenses incurred in the storage of the finished goods;
- the cost of transporting the goods to their destination.

(d) Charges not directly attributed to the manufacture of the goods:

- any customs duty and other charges of equivalent effect paid on the imported raw materials;
- any excise duty paid on raw materials produced in the country where the finished goods are manufactured;
- any other indirect taxes paid on the manufactured products;
- any royalties paid in respect of patents, special machinery or designs; and
- finance charges related to working capital.

PART 2 – Supply Requirements

Section V. Schedule of Requirements

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Notes for Preparing the Schedule of Requirements

The Schedule of Requirements shall be included in the bidding documents by the Purchaser, and shall cover, at a minimum, a description of the goods and services to be supplied and the delivery schedule.

The objective of the Schedule of Requirements is to provide sufficient information to enable bidders to prepare their bids efficiently and accurately, in particular, the Price Schedule, for which a form is provided in Section IV. In addition, the Schedule of Requirements, together with the Price Schedule, should serve as a basis in the event of quantity variation at the time of award of contract pursuant to ITB Clause 41.

The date or period for delivery should be carefully specified, taking into account (a) the implications of delivery terms stipulated in the Instructions to Bidders pursuant to the *Incoterms* rules (i.e., EXW, or CIF, CIP, FOB, FCA terms—that "delivery" takes place when goods are delivered **to the carriers**), and (b) the date prescribed herein from which the Purchaser's delivery obligations start (i.e., notice of award, contract signature, opening or confirmation of the letter of credit).

1. List of Goods and Delivery Schedule

[The Purchaser shall fill in this table, with the exception of the column "Bidder's offered Delivery date" to be filled by the Bidder]

Line	Description of Goods	Quantity	Physical	Final	Delivery (as per Incoterms) Date		
Item N°			unit	Destination (Project Site) as specified in BDS	Earliest Delivery Date	Latest Delivery Date	Bidder's offered Delivery date [to be provided by the bidder]
1	Creation of an online platform (Web & App) - Registration and onboarding - Profile Creation - Google Map Service Integration - Services - Rating - Analytics and Insights - Privacy and Security - Scalability - Accessibility - Front end design & Back-end design - Database creation - Hosting of online platform - User manual and Training for administrator (Description of the project is as per Annex A)		Not applicable	Online	5 weeks (as from date of award)	7 weeks (as from date of award)	

2. List of Related Services and Completion Schedule

Service	Description of Service	Quantity ¹	Physical Unit	Place where Services shall be performed	Final Completion Date(s) of Services
1	Creation of an online platform (Web & App) - A more detailed specification, is available in the document "description of the project"	1		Online	7 weeks (as from date of award)
	Creation of online platform				
	- Registration and onboarding				
	- Profile Creation				
	- Google Map Service Integration				
	- Services				
	- Rating				
	- Analytics and Insights				
	- Privacy and Security				
	- Scalability				
	- Accessibility				
	- Front end design				
2	Prototype and design	1			5 weeks (as from date of award)

3	First version of fully functional platform Back-end design	I	7 weeks (a from date award)	of
	 Database creation Hosting of online platform User manual and Training for administrator 			
4	Validated final version	I	7 weeks (a from date award)	
5	End-user Training Handing over of credentials and access to domain and hosting to administrator	I	7 weeks (from date award)	of

^{1.} If applicable

3. Technical Specifications

The purpose of the Technical Specifications (TS), is to define the technical characteristics of the Goods and Related Services required by the Purchaser. The Purchaser shall prepare the detailed TS take into account that:

- the TS constitute the benchmarks against which the Purchaser will verify the technical responsiveness of bids and subsequently evaluate the bids. Therefore, well-defined TS will facilitate preparation of responsive bids by bidders, as well as examination, evaluation, and comparison of the bids by the Purchaser;
- the TS shall require that all goods and materials to be incorporated in the goods be new, unused, and of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials, unless provided for otherwise in the contract;
- the TS shall make use of best practices. Samples of specifications from successful similar procurements in Mauritius or sector may provide a sound basis for drafting the TS;
- the Purchaser encourages the use of metric units;
- standardizing technical specifications may be advantageous, depending on the complexity of the goods and the repetitiveness of the type of procurement. Technical Specifications should be broad enough to avoid restrictions on workmanship, materials, and equipment commonly used in manufacturing similar kinds of goods;
- standards for equipment, materials, and workmanship specified in the Bidding Documents shall not be restrictive. Recognized international standards should be specified as much as possible. Reference to brand names, catalogue numbers, or other details that limit any materials or items to a specific manufacturer should be avoided as far as possible. Where unavoidable, such item description should always be followed by the words "or substantially equivalent." When other particular standards or codes of practice are referred to in the TS, whether from Mauritius or from other eligible countries, a statement should follow other authoritative standards that ensure at least a substantially equal quality, then the standards mentioned in the TS will also be acceptable;
- reference to brand names and catalogue numbers should be avoided as far as possible; where unavoidable, the words "or at least equivalent" shall always follow such references;
- technical Specifications shall be fully descriptive of the requirements in respect of, but not limited to, the following:
 - (a) standards of materials and workmanship required for the production and manufacturing of the Goods;
 - *(b) detailed tests required (type and number);*

- (c) other additional work and/or related services required to achieve full delivery/completion;
- (d) detailed activities to be performed by the Supplier, and participation of the Purchaser thereon:
- (e) list of detailed functional guarantees covered by the Warranty and the specification of the liquidated damages to be applied in the event that such guarantees are not met, and
- the TS shall specify all essential technical and performance characteristics and requirements, including guaranteed or acceptable maximum or minimum values, as appropriate. Whenever necessary, the Purchaser shall include an additional ad-hoc bidding form (to be an Attachment to the Bid Submission Sheet) where the Bidder shall provide detailed information on such technical performance characteristics in respect to the corresponding acceptable or guaranteed values.

When the Purchaser requests that the Bidder provides in its bid a part of or all the Technical Specifications, technical schedules, or other technical information, the Purchaser shall specify in detail the nature and extent of the required information and the manner in which it has to be presented by the Bidder in its bid.

[If a summary of the Technical Specifications (TS) has to be provided, the Purchaser shall insert information in the table below. The Bidder shall prepare a similar table to justify compliance with the requirements]

"Summary of Technical Specifications. The Goods and Related Services shall comply with following Technical Specifications and Standards:

Item No	Name of Goods or Related Service	Technical Specifications and Standards
[insert item No]	[insert name]	[insert TS and Standards]

[Insert detailed description of TS]	
<i>n</i>	

4. Inspections and Tests

The following inspections and tests shall be performed: Not applicable

PART 3 - Contract

Section VI. General Conditions of Contract

The General Conditions of Contract (GCC) applicable for this procurement is available on the web site of the Procurement Policy Office <u>ppo.govmu.org</u> under Ref. G/RFQ-GCC4/......

Section VII. Special Conditions of Contract

The following Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) shall supplement and / or amend the General Conditions of Contract (GCC). Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions herein shall prevail over those in the GCC.

[The Purchaser shall select/insert the appropriate wording using the samples below or other acceptable wording, and delete the text in italics]

GCC 1.1(h)	The Purchaser is: Mauritius Emerging Technologies Council
GCC 1.1 (m)	The Project Site(s)/Final Destination(s) is/are: online and on mobile app store
GCC 4.2 (a)	The meaning of the trade terms shall be as prescribed by Incoterms. If the meaning of any trade term and the rights and obligations of the parties hereunder shall not be as prescribed by Incoterms, they shall be as prescribed by: Not applicable
GCC 4.2 (b)	The version edition of Incoterms shall be Incoterms 2010.
GCC 8.1	For <u>notices</u> , the Purchaser's address shall be:
	Attention: The Executive Director, Mauritius Emerging Technologies Council
	Street: Cyber Tower 2, Cybercity
	Floor/ Room number: Door No. 408, Level 4
	City: <i>Ebène</i>
	Country: Mauritius
	Telephone: Not applicable
	Facsimile number: Not applicable
	Electronic mail address: contact@metc.govmu.org
GCC 10.2	The rules of procedure for arbitration proceedings pursuant to GCC Clause 10.2 shall be as follows:
	[The bidding documents should contain one clause to be retained in the event of a Contract with a foreign Supplier and one clause to be retained in the event of a Contract with a Supplier who is a national of Mauritius. At the time of finalizing the Contract, the respective applicable clause should be retained in the Contract. The following explanatory note

should therefore be inserted as a header to GCC 10.2 in the bidding document.

"Clause 10.2 (a) shall be retained in the case of a Contract with a foreign Supplier, and Clause 10.2 (b) in the case of a Contract with a national of Mauritius."

(a) Contract with foreign Supplier:

contracts entered into with foreign suppliers, International commercial arbitration may have practical advantages over other dispute settlement methods. The World Bank should not be named as arbitrator, nor should it be asked to name an arbitrator. Among the rules to govern the arbitration proceedings, the Purchaser may wish to consider the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) Arbitration Rules of 1976, the Rules of Conciliation and Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), the Rules of the London Court of International Arbitration or the Rules of Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce.]

If the Purchaser chooses the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules, the following sample clause should be inserted:

GCC 10.2 (a)—Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Contract, or breach, termination or invalidity thereof, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules as at present in force.

If the Purchaser chooses the Rules of ICC, the following sample clause should be inserted:

GCC 10.2 (a)—All disputes arising in connection with the present Contract shall be finally settled under the Rules of Conciliation and Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce by one or more arbitrators appointed in accordance with said Rules.

If the Purchaser chooses the Rules of Arbitration Institute of Stockholm Chamber of Commerce, the following sample clause should be inserted:

GCC 10.2 (a)—Any dispute, controversy or claim arising out of or in connection with this Contract, or the breach termination or invalidity thereof, shall be settled by arbitration in accordance with the Rules of the Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce.

If the Purchaser chooses the Rules of the London Court of International Arbitration, the following clause should be inserted:

GCC 10.2 (a)—Any dispute arising out of or in connection with this Contract, including any question regarding its existence, validity or termination shall be referred to and finally resolved by arbitration under the Rules of the London Court of International Arbitration, which rules are deemed to be incorporated by reference to this clause.

(b) Contracts with Supplier national of Mauritius:

In the case of a dispute between the Purchaser and a Supplier who is a national of Mauritius, the dispute shall be referred to adjudication or arbitration in accordance with the laws of Mauritius.

GCC 13.1 Details of Shipping and other Documents to be furnished by Suppliers are:

Sample provision

(a) For Goods supplied from overseas on CIF/CIP terms the (Purchaser as consignee):

Upon shipment, the Supplier shall notify the Purchaser and the insurance company, in writing, the full details of the shipment including Contract number, description of the Goods, quantity, date and place of shipment, mode of transportation, and estimated date of arrival at place of destination. In the event of Goods sent by airfreight, the Supplier shall notify the Purchaser a minimum of forty-eight (48) hours ahead of dispatch, the name of the carrier, the flight number, the expected time of arrival, and the airway-bill number. The Supplier shall fax and then send by courier the following documents to the Purchaser, with a copy to the insurance company:

- (i) three originals and two copies of the Supplier's invoice, showing Purchaser as [enter correct description of Purchaser for customs purposes]; the Procurement Reference number, Goods' description, quantity, unit price and total amount. Invoices must be signed in original, stamped, or sealed with the company stamp/seal;
- (ii) one original and two copies of the negotiable, clean, on-board through bill of lading marked "freight prepaid" and showing Purchaser as [enter correct name of Purchaser for customs purposes] and Notify Party as stated in the Contract, with delivery through to final destination as per the Schedule of

Requirements and two copies of non-negotiable bill of lading, or air waybill marked "freight prepaid" and showing delivery through to final destination as per the Schedule of Requirements;

- (iii) four copies of the packing list identifying contents of each package;
- (iv) copy of the Insurance Certificate, showing the Purchaser as the beneficiary;
- (v) one original of the manufacturer's or Supplier's Warranty Certificate covering all items supplied;
- (vi) one original of the Supplier's Certificate of Origin covering all items supplied;
- (vii) original copy of the Certificate of Inspection furnished to Supplier by the nominated inspection agency and six copies (where inspection is required);
- (viii) any other procurement-specific documents required for delivery/payment purposes.

The above documents shall be received by the Purchaser before arrival of the Goods and, if not received, the Supplier will be responsible for any consequent expenses.

(a) For Goods from local suppliers (already imported on the basis of delivery to warehouse-DDP):

Upon or before delivery of the Goods, the Supplier shall notify the Purchaser in writing and deliver the following documents to the Purchaser:

- (i) one original and two copies of the Supplier's invoice, showing Purchaser, the Contract number, Goods' description, quantity, unit price, and total amount. Invoices must be signed in original and stamped or sealed with the company stamp/seal;
- (ii) two copies of the packing list identifying contents of each package;
- (iii) one original of the manufacturer's or Supplier's Warranty certificate covering all items supplied;
- (iv) one original of the Supplier's Certificate of Origin covering all items supplied;

	(v) original copy of the Certificate of Inspection furnished to Supplier by the nominated inspection agency and six copies (where inspection is required)
	(vi) other procurement-specific documents required for delivery/payment purposes.
	(c) For goods from local manufacturers:
	46.3.1.1 one original and two copies of the Supplier's invoice, showing Purchaser, the Procurement Reference number, Goods' description, quantity, unit price, and total amount. Invoices must be signed in original and stamped or sealed with the company stamp/seal;
	46.3.1.2 two copies of the packing list identifying contents of each package;
	46.3.1.3 original copy of the Certificate of Inspection furnished to manufacture by the nominated inspection agency and two copies (where inspection is required), and
	46.3.1.4 other procurement-specific documents required for delivery/payment purposes.
GCC 15.1	The prices charged for the Goods supplied and the related Services performed <i>shall not</i> be adjustable.
	If prices are adjustable, the method described in the Price Adjustment Formula as attachment to these SCC shall be used.
GCC 16.1	[Sample provision]
	The method and conditions of payment to be made to the Supplier under this Contract shall be as follows:
	(a) Payment for Goods supplied from overseas supplier on CIP/CIF basis (the purchaser as consignee):
	Payment of foreign currency portion shall be made in MUR in the following manner:
	(i) On Shipment: Ninety (90) percent of the Contract Price of the Goods shipped shall be paid through irrevocable confirmed letter of credit opened in favor of the Supplier in a bank in its country, upon submission of documents specified in GCC Clause 11 or, alternatively, cash against document by direct bank transfer to the Supplier's nominated bank account. Opening charges and charges for amendment of the letter of credit at the request of or due to a fault or default of the

Purchaser are for the account of the Purchaser. Confirmation charges and charges for amendment to letters of credit at the request of or due to a fault or default on behalf of the Supplier are for the account of the Supplier.

(ii) On Acceptance: Ten (10) percent of the Contract Price of Goods received shall be paid within 21 working days of receipt of the Goods upon submission of an invoice (showing Purchaser's name; the Procurement Reference number, description of payment and total amount, signed in original, stamped or sealed with the company stamp/seal) supported by the Acceptance Certificate issued by the Purchaser.

Payment of local currency portion shall be made in Mauritian Rupees within twenty-one (21) working days of presentation of an invoice (showing Purchaser's name; the Procurement Reference number, description of payment and total amount, signed in original, stamped or sealed with the company stamp/seal) supported by the Acceptance Certificate issued by the Purchaser.

(b) Payment for Goods and Services supplied from local suppliers (goods already imported) on the basis of DDP:

Payment for Goods and Services supplied from local suppliers shall be made in Mauritian Rupees, as follows:

On Acceptance: The Contract Price of Goods received shall be paid within twenty-one (21) working days of receipt of the Goods upon submission of an invoice (showing Purchaser's name; the Procurement Reference number, description of payment and total amount, signed in original, stamped or sealed with the company stamp/seal) supported by the Acceptance Certificate issued by the Purchaser.

(c) Payment for goods from local Manufacturer:

Payment for Goods and Services supplied from local manufacturers shall be made in Mauritian Rupees as follows:

(i) On Acceptance: The Contract Price of Goods received shall be paid within twenty-one (21) working days of receipt of the Goods upon submission of an invoice (showing Purchaser's name; the Procurement Reference number, description of payment and total amount, signed in original, stamped or sealed with the company stamp/seal) supported by the Acceptance Certificate issued by the Purchaser.

In case the Supplier is a Small and Medium Enterprise, the Purchaser

	undertakes to effect payment after supply of the goods items to the satisfaction of the Purchaser within 14 days from date of invoice, and subject to the Supplier submitting all required documents.
GCC 16.4 (b)	Local Suppliers shall be paid in Mauritian Rupees only.
GCC 16.5	Interest shall not be payable immediately after the due date for payment. The interest rate shall be the legal rate.
GCC 16.6	The structure of payment (on submission of invoice) shall be as follows: 90% of the contract value after delivery, installation, testing and acceptance of the web/app tool. 10% of the contract value 6 months after start of warranty period. The amount shall be released upon confirmation of successful and smooth web/app functionality.
GCC 18.1	A Performance Security shall not be required
GCC 18.3	If required, the Performance Security shall be denominated in Not applicable
GCC 18.4	Discharge of the Performance Security shall take place: <i>Not applicable</i>
GCC 23.2	The packing, marking and documentation within and outside the packages shall be <i>Not applicable</i>
GCC 24.1	The insurance coverage shall be as specified in the Incoterms. If not in accordance with Incoterms, insurance shall be as follows: <i>Not applicable</i>
GCC 25.1	Responsibility for transportation of the Goods shall be as specified in the Incoterms. If not in accordance with Incoterms, responsibility for transportations shall be as follows: <i>Not applicable</i>

GCC 26.1	The inspections and tests shall be:
	User Acceptance Testing (UAT): Performed by purchaser representatives to validate whether the system meets their business requirements and expectations. It typically includes real-world scenarios and helps ensure the software is ready for deployment.
	Beta Testing: This involves releasing the software to a limited set of external users who provide feedback based on their experience using the application. This helps uncover potential issues and gather insights for further improvements before a broader release.
	Operational Acceptance Testing (OAT): Focuses on validating the operational aspects of the software, including backup and recovery procedures, system monitoring, and maintenance processes.
	Contract Acceptance Testing: Ensures the software development meets the contractual requirements and specifications outlined in the project contract. It involves checking if the delivered product aligns with what was agreed upon in the contract.
	Performance Acceptance Testing: Evaluate the software's performance to ensure it meets predefined performance criteria, such as response time, scalability, and stability under various load conditions.
	Security Acceptance Testing: Focuses on validating the security features and controls of the software, ensuring that it is protected against potential security threats and vulnerabilities.
GCC 26.2	The Inspections and tests shall be conducted at: <i>Ebène</i>
GCC 27.1	The liquidated damages shall be: 1 % of contract price per week
GCC 27.1	The maximum amount of liquidated damages shall be: 10 %
GCC 28.3	The period of validity of the Warranty shall be: 365 days
	For purposes of the Warranty, the place(s) of final destination(s) shall be:
	Mauritius [insert name(s) of location(s)]
GCC 28.5	The period for repair or replacement shall be: 5 days.

Attachment: Price Adjustment Formula

If in accordance with GCC 15.2, prices shall be adjustable, the following method shall be used to calculate the price adjustment:

15.2 Prices payable to the Supplier, as stated in the Contract, shall be subject to adjustment during performance of the Contract to reflect changes in the cost of labor and material components in accordance with the formula:

$$P_1 = P_0 \left[a + \underline{b}\underline{L}_1 + \underline{c}\underline{M}_1 \right] \text{-} P_0$$
 $\underline{L}_0 \quad \underline{M}_0$

$$a+b+c = 1$$

in which:

 P_1 = adjustment amount payable to the Supplier.

 P_0 = Contract Price (base price).

a = fixed element representing profits and overheads included in the Contract

Price and generally in the range of five (5) to fifteen (15) percent.

b = estimated percentage of labor component in the Contract Price.
 c = estimated percentage of material component in the Contract Price.

 L_0, L_1 = labor indices applicable to the appropriate industry in the country of origin

on the base date and date for adjustment, respectively.

 M_0 , M_1 = material indices for the major raw material on the base date and date for

adjustment, respectively, in the country of origin.

The coefficients a, b, and c as specified by the Purchaser are as follows:

a = Not applicable

b=

Not applicable

c= *Not applicable*

The Bidder shall indicate the source of the indices and the base date indices in its bid.

Base date = thirty (30) days prior to the deadline for submission of the bids.

Date of adjustment = [insert number of weeks] weeks prior to date of shipment (representing the mid-point of the period of manufacture).

The above price adjustment formula shall be invoked by either party subject to the following further conditions:

- (a) No price adjustment shall be allowed beyond the original delivery dates unless specifically stated in the extension letter. As a rule, no price adjustment shall be allowed for periods of delay for which the Supplier is entirely responsible. The Purchaser will, however, be entitled to any decrease in the prices of the Goods and Services subject to adjustment.
- (b) If the currency in which the Contract Price P₀ is expressed is different from the currency of origin of the labor and material indices, a correction factor will be applied to avoid incorrect adjustments of the Contract Price. The correction factor shall correspond to the ratio of exchange rates between the two currencies on the base date and the date for adjustment as defined above.
- (c) No price adjustment shall be payable on the portion of the Contract Price paid to the Supplier as advance payment.

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76 Invitation for Bids

1. Contract Agreement

[The successful Bidder shall fill in this form in accordance with the instructions indicated]

THIS CONTRACT AGREEMENT is made

the [insert: number] day of [insert: month], [insert: year].

BETWEEN

- [insert complete name of Purchaser], a [insert description of type of legal entity, for example, an agency of the Ministry of of the Government of {Mauritius}, or company incorporated under the laws of {Mauritius}] and having its principal place of business at [insert address of Purchaser] (hereinafter called "the Purchaser"), and
- (2) [insert name of Supplier], a company incorporated under the laws of [insert: country of Supplier] and having its principal place of business at [insert: address of Supplier] (hereinafter called "the Supplier").

WHEREAS the Purchaser invited bids for certain Goods and related services, viz., [insert brief description of Goods and Services] and has accepted a Bid by the Supplier for the supply of those Goods and Services in the sum of [insert Contract Price in words and figures, expressed in the Contract currency(ies)] (hereinafter called "the Contract Price").

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. In this Agreement, words and expressions shall have the same meanings as are respectively assigned to them in the Conditions of Contract referred to.
- 2. The following documents shall constitute the Contract between the Purchaser and the Supplier, and each shall be read and construed as an integral part of the Contract:
 - (a) This Contract Agreement
 - (b) Special Conditions of Contract
 - (c) General Conditions of Contract
 - (d) Technical Requirements (including Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications)
 - (e) The Supplier's Bid and original Price Schedules
 - (f) The Purchaser's Notification of Award
 - (g) [Add here any other document(s)]

- 3. This Contract shall prevail over all other Contract documents. In the event of any discrepancy or inconsistency within the Contract documents, then the documents shall prevail in the order listed above.
- 4. In consideration of the payments to be made by the Purchaser to the Supplier as hereinafter mentioned, the Supplier hereby covenants with the Purchaser to provide the Goods and Services and to remedy defects therein in conformity in all respects with the provisions of the Contract.
- 5. The Purchaser hereby covenants to pay the Supplier in consideration of the provision of the Goods and Services and the remedying of defects therein, the Contract Price or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of the Contract at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Contract.

IN WITNESS whereof the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed in accordance with the laws of Mauritius on the day, month and year indicated above.

For and on behalf of the Purchaser

Signed: [insert signature] in the capacity of [insert title or other appropriate designation] in the presence of [insert identification of official witness]

For and on behalf of the Supplier

Signed: [insert signature of authorized representative(s) of the Supplier] in the capacity of [insert title or other appropriate designation] in the presence of [insert identification of official witness]