



Specific Procurement Notice Request for Proposals Information Systems (Single Stage-Two Envelope Process)

Purchaser: NATIONAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY-UGANDA

Name of Project: UGANDA DIGITAL ACCELERATION PROJECT (UDAP)

Project ID: P171305 Credit No.: 6898-UG Country: UGANDA

Contract title: DESIGN, SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF METROPOLITAN AREA NETWORK CENTER INFRASTRUCTURE AND FACILITIES UPGRADE

Reference No.: NITA-U/UDAP/SUPLS/2023-2024/00034

Issued on: 20TH FEBRUARY 2024

1. The Government of Uganda represented by the National Information Technology Authority Uganda (NITA-U) **has received** financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the: **Uganda Digital Acceleration Project-Government Network (UDAP-GOVNET)**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for **The Design, Supply and Installation of Metropolitan Area Network Center Infrastructure and Facilities Upgrade**.
2. **National Information Technology Authority-Uganda (NITA-U)** now invites sealed Proposals from eligible Proposers with experience and capacity in Designing, Implementing, Developing, Upgrading and Management of Smart Data Center Infrastructure Solutions in any highly critical institutions with related computing needs with at least three (3) similar assignments for the **Design, Supply and Installation of Metropolitan Area Network Center Infrastructure and Facilities Upgrade** in a period of **Seven (7) Months** in a newly allocated space within Statistics House Building.
3. The procurement process will be conducted through international competitive procurement using Request for Proposals (RFP) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" July 2016, revised September 2023, and is open to all eligible Proposers as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
4. Interested eligible Proposers may obtain further information from National Information Technology Authority-Uganda and inspect the request for proposals document during office hours **0800 to 1700** hours at the address given below.
5. A pre-proposal site visit followed by a pre-proposal meeting on the same date and place, which potential bidders may attend, will be held on **05th March, 2024** at **NITA-U Network**

Operations Center (NOC) Boardroom 3rd Floor, Plot 9 Colville Street, Statistics House at **10:00am** for the site visit and **11:00am** for the meeting with an Online Virtual Meeting using zoom – A link will be shared with all registered proposers prior to the date of the meeting. The proposers who wish to attend the meeting shall register and submit their official email addresses not later than one (1) day to the date of the meeting to udap@nita.go.ug

6. The request for proposals document in English may be purchased by interested eligible Proposers upon the submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a nonrefundable fee of **Uganda Shillings 200,000 (Two Hundred Thousand Only) or equivalent in a freely convertible currency**. The method of payment will be the *Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)* Bank account number: *006550058000001*, **Customer name:** National Information Technology Authority, Uganda (NITA-U), **Account title:** NITAU Local Revenue Expenditure Account, **Bank Name:** Bank of Uganda Swift Code: **UGBAUGKA**. A PDF bidding document shall be sent to the potential bidder electronically upon receipt of confirmation of payment.
7. Proposals must be delivered to the address below on or before **05th April, 2024** at **11:00am**. Electronic procurement **will not** be permitted. Late Proposals will be rejected. The outer Proposal envelopes marked “ORIGINAL PROPOSAL”, and the inner envelopes marked “TECHNICAL PART” will be publicly opened in the presence of the Proposers’ designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend, at the address below on **1st Floor Boardroom, 11:05am, 05th April, 2024**. All envelopes marked “FINANCIAL PART” shall remain unopened and will be held in safe custody of the Purchaser until the second public Proposals opening.
8. All Proposals must be accompanied by a **Proposal Security of Uganda Shillings; Two Hundred and Seventy Million Only (270,000,000) or equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency**. The Proposal Security shall be valid in accordance with Section II-Proposal Data Sheet (PDS); ITP 20.1
9. Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful Proposer’s beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the request for proposal document.
10. The address referred to above is:

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