

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

DUBE TRADEPORT CORPORATION

Invitation for proposals for the appointment of ICASA registered service providers for DTPC's broadband and voice panel for a period of five (5) years

REF NO.: DTP/RFP/17/ICT/11/2020

Dube TradePort Corporation (DTPC) was created as a provincial public entity to develop Dube TradePort. Refer to www.dubetradeport.co.za for more information on DTPC.

DTPC seeks to establish a panel of ICASA registered service providers to provide broadband, dark fiber, layer 2 connectivity and voice services to DTPC on an adhoc basis. DTPC aims to contract as many providers as possible up to 10 as part of the panel in order to achieve flexibility in meeting its customer requirements for bandwidth. The scope includes three (3) panel categories which are Internet and Connectivity Services (Business and Offsite), Voice services and Colocation (rack space).

Service providers on the approved panel will be utilized both by the panel competitive process and on a rotational basis taking into account their credentials, quality of service, performance and the scope of the required services. Being accepted onto this panel does not guarantee the bidder any work. The panel members will contract (or participate in the panel) for five years. For each individual service contract the duration will be agreed and documented in a project addendum and run for a period of up to thirty six (36) months and maybe extendable if agreed by both parties.

In line with the PPPFA regulations 2017 sub regulation 4, the prequalification for this bid is that:

- a) **Only** B-BBEE Level 1 to 3 companies, **or**
- b) Any B-BBEE Level with 30% subcontracted to a Black EME, are eligible to tender.

THE FOLLOWING PRE-QUALIFICATION CRITERIA ARE APPLICABLE TO THIS TENDER:

- a) The Bidder have ICASA registration:
 - (i) Proof of ICASA registration (ECS and / or ECNS license) must be submitted by provide a copy of one or both of these as part of this tender compliance process.
- b) In line with the PPPFA regulations 2017 sub regulation 4, the prequalification for this bid is that:
 - (i) Only B-BBEE Level 1 to 3 companies are eligible to tender; or
 - (ii) Any B-BBEE Level with 30% sub-contracted to Black EME, are eligible to tender.
- c) A submitted bid that does not meet the above (a & b) requirements **will** be disqualified.

EVALUATION OF THIS BID

Proposals will be evaluated on administrative and technical compliance including proof of ICASA license/accreditation. There will be no technical evaluations. Thereafter all responsive proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the PPPFA regulations, 2017 using the 80/20 preference points system.

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REQUESTS FOR DOCUMENTS & ENQUIRIES

Bid documents will only be available from, **29 March 2021 up to 6 April 2021** during the weekdays (Mon – Fri) between 08h30 and 16h00, at the Dube TradePort Corporation offices at 7 Umsinsi Junction, 4th floor, 29° South, La Mercy, KwaZulu-Natal. A non-refundable document fee of R250 (Two hundred and fifty Rands) must be paid via EFT and **must be emailed (to tenders@dubetradeport.co.za)** in order for the Bid Documents to be sent you. No cash will be accepted and proof of payment must be emailed for the Bid Documents to be sent to you. Please allow 2 days for funds to reflect in the account. DTPC will only email documents once the payment has been cleared in its bank account. Payments must contain the reference, “**DTP/RFP/17/ICT/11/2020**” and must clearly identify the Bidder, e.g. “ABC Consortium”. Electronic versions of these documents will only be available on confirmation and/or proof of payment.

Dube TradePort Corporation banking details:

Bank: ABSA; A/C No: 405 687 3817; Branch Code: 632 005; A/C Name: Dube TradePort Corporation;
Account type: Current

A **COMPULSORY** briefing session (**Virtually**) meeting for service providers, who have paid for and was emailed the Bid Documents during the period as specified above, will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams on, **7 April 2021 at 13:00**.

CLOSING TIME & DATE FOR SUBMITTING RESPONSES

Proposals must be submitted at the DTPC offices on or before **11h00**, South African time on **16 APRIL 2021**.

DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE CLEARLY MARKED “**APPOINTMENT OF ICASA REGISTERED SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR DTPC’S BROADBAND AND VOICE PANEL**”