Central Bank of Lesotho

Invitation to tender

The Central Bank of Lesotho invites tenders from registered services providers or suppliers for the supply and delivery of servers x 2 of the following specifications for each:

Type	Description
Server Chassis	1 x Supermicro SuperServer 620P-ACR16h
Main Memory(RAM)	8 x Supermicro 16GB DDR4-3200 @RX8 LP ECC
Secondary Storage (HDD)	16 x HGST 3.5" 4TB SAS 12GB/s 7.2K RPM 256M OB35915 4kn SE P3
Boot Devices(SSD)	2 x Micron 5300 PRO 960GB 2.5" 7mm Sata SSD

MANDATORY TENDER CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS (FAILURE TO COMPLY FULLY WITH THESE REQUIREMENTS WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.

1. Bidders are required to show i) delivery period ii) validity period of bid iii) warranty.
2. Electronic PDF email bid submissions stating "Bid for Servers" on the email subject should be emailed to **tenders@centralbank.org.ls.** The bid proposal shall be attached to the email as PDF attachments or folder or zipped folder only. Links will not be allowed.
3. Bids should be received on or before Friday 16th December 2022 between 14:30hrs and 16:30hrs. Bids received after the time period stated above will not be considered.
4. The Tender opening will be on the next work day at 10:30hrs. As a health measure, no bidders will be allowed to attend the opening session. All proponents will be emailed the record of the opening proceedings.
5. Valid copies of current tax clearance certificate and traders license or certificate of Incorporation (if not Lesotho Registered) must be submitted with the bid.
6. One-page letter of introduction identifying the proponent (proponent's name and physical address together with contact details; contact person, telephone number and e-mail address) and signed by the person or persons authorized to sign on behalf of, and bind the proponent to statements made in the tender.
7. All required documents should be provided in a document form not as reference to a website or link.
8. A credit line letter from an authorized Financial Institution that reflect a minimum credit/ loan facility equivalent or more than the bid amount must be provided with the bid **or** Recent financial statements of the bidder duly signed by an Audit Firm or practicing Chartered Accountant that reflect a minimum working capital equivalent or more than the bid amount.
9. Bidders are to note that the Bank **may** require a performance guarantee of no more than 10% of the bid amount.
10. Bidders are requested to quote in Maloti or Rands only.
11. Pricing should consist of sale price, and delivery and installation fees inclusive of 15% VAT where applicable. Where vendors are registered to collect they must submit VAT certificate.
12. Central Bank of Lesotho is not bound to accept the lowest or any bid and may cancel the bidding process at any stage prior to the award of contract and is not bound to provide reasons for cancellation.
13. Bidders must expressly respond and fully comply with the specifications as stipulated in the advertisement.
14. For further clarification bidders are requested to contact the undersigned at telephone **#:22232126 and / or mlechela@centralbank.org.ls.** Clarifications should be requested by not later than the **09th December 2022 at 16:30hrs.**
15. Evaluation criteria shall consist of the following **mandatory** requirements **(Failure of which result in disqualification):**

Supplier registration	Valid copy of the traders license/ certificate of Incorporation (if not Lesotho Registered)
Tax Compliance	Valid copy of current tax clearance certificate
Proponent Identification	One-page letter of introduction identifying the proponent (proponent's name and physical address together with contact details; contact person, telephone number and e-mail address) and signed by the person or persons authorized to sign on behalf of, and bind the proponent to statements made in the tender
Technical Specification	Full compliance to the detailed specifications
Financial Capacity	A credit line letter from an authorized Financial Institution that reflect a minimum credit/ loan facility equivalent or more than the bid amount must be provided with the bid or Recent financial statements of the bidder duly signed by an Audit Firm or practicing Chartered Accountant that reflect a minimum working capital equivalent or more than the bid amount
Delivery Period	To be provided by the bidder
Validity of the bid	Valid for at least 60 days
Warranty	Manufacturer warranty should be provided "as is"
Price	Full compliance to the pricing requirements. Competitive Price

Special notes

1. Bidders are expected to ensure strict compliance with the above specifications and conditions, failure to do so will result in disqualification of bids.
2. All Bidders are advised that a Vendor Exclusion Policy shall apply where necessary.
3. Bidders are to note that the Central Bank of Lesotho shall apply withholding tax obligation where applicable when effecting payment at the rate of 10% for foreign companies and 5% for local companies. Proponents that include an added amount to their proposed fee as the withholding tax shall be disqualified.
4. Contractors and suppliers shall recognize the importance of performing the work in a safe and responsible manner so as to prevent property damages, injuries, fatalities and environmental impacts. Further, ensure safety of material and equipment used at the work place and or stored on-site.
5. Read with Special Note 4, the supplier shall ensure all components are safety and health risk free except inherent risks. To also take the responsibility to ensure that hard copy(s) or soft copy(s) of information from designer, manufacturers, assembler, importer or otherwise any institution responsible for the final product is available as;
   5.1 User manual, guide or booklet providing information safe use and maintenance.
   5.2 Equipment manufacturer certificate.
6. Payment terms should be clearly stipulated.

M. Lechela (Mrs.)
Secretary, Tender Committee