



**OPEN INTERNATIONAL INVITATION TO TENDER**

**N°000026/AOIO/ART/CIPM/2017 OF APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup> 2017 FOR THE RECRUITMENT OF A FIRM OF CONSULTANTS IN CHARGE OF CARRYING OUT A DETAILED FEASIBILITY STUDY TO SET UP A NATIONAL MARITIME RADIO COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK IN CAMEROON**

**Financing : TRB Budget, 2017 fiscal year**

**1. SUBJECT**

The Director General of the Telecommunications Regulatory Board (TRB) hereby launches an open international call to tender to recruit consulting firms to carry out a detailed feasibility study for the setup of a national maritime radio communications network in Cameroon.

**2. SERVICE DESCRIPTION**

The task of the consultancy firm will consist of carrying out a detailed feasibility study (legal, technical and economic) for the setting up and operation of ground-based radio communications facilities (VHF/MF/HF) meant to ensure full coverage of the coastline under Cameroon jurisdiction, as part of the implementation of the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS), and taking into account the needs of the various national stakeholders and the regional integration factor. The network must also ensure shipping surveillance and provide maritime safety information.

**3. PARTICIPATION AND ORIGIN**

This open international call to tender is open to national and international consultancy firms with capacities and experience in the setup of radio communications networks, and precisely maritime communications systems.

**4. EXECUTION TIMEFRAME**

The time frame set for the mission is five (05) months from the date of notification of the service order to start.

**5. PLACE OF EXECUTION**

The mission will be performed at TRB General Directorate.

**6. ALLOTMENT**

Not applicable.

**7. PROVISIONAL COST**

The provisional cost of the operation at the end of the prior studies is thirty million (30 000 000) F CFA.

**8. FINANCING**

The services under this call to tender will be financed by the budget of TRB, 2017 fiscal year, line 670 020 « Study cost ».

**9. CONSULTATION OF THE TENDER DOSSIER**

The Tender File may be consulted during working hours at the Contracts Unit of TRB, located ground floor of TRB head office, at nouvelle route BASTOS, in Yaoundé P.O.Box 6132, Tel. : (+237) 222 23 03 80/222 23 23 30, Fax : (+237) 222 23 37 48, fax : (+237) 222 23 37 48, upon publication of this notice.

**10. ACQUISITION OF THE TENDER DOSSIER**

The Tender Dossier in French may be obtained at the Contracts Unit of TRB, upon presentation of a receipt attesting to the payment of the non-refundable sum of one fifty thousand **(50 000) CFA francs**, representing the file review charges deposited in the special contracts account n° 335 988 of the Public Contracts Regulatory Agency (ARMP) opened at BICEC, in the branches of all the Regional capital cities and those of the towns of Limbe and Dschang.

#### **11. PROVISIONAL BID BOND**

Each bidder shall attach to his/her administrative documents, a bid bond of **six hundred thousand (600 000) francs CFA** issued by a first-rate bank approved by the Ministry of finance and valid for thirty (30) days beyond the original validity date of the tender.

#### **12. ADMISSIBILITY OF BIDS**

Under threat of rejection, the other required administrative documents must absolutely be produced in originals and copies certified true by the issuing service or an administrative authority as per the stipulations of the Special Tender Regulations.

They must be dated less than three (3) months before the original date of submission of bids or have been established after the signing date of the Tender notice.

Any bid not abiding by the prescriptions of this notice and the Tender File shall be declared inadmissible. Especially the absence of the bid bond issued by a first-rate bank approved by the Ministry of Finance or non-respect of the standard documents of the Tender File, shall lead to the rejection of the bid

#### **13. SUBMISSION OF BIDS**

Each bid drafted in English or French in seven (7) copies, including the original and six (6) copies marked as such, must reach the Contracts Unit of TRB, located ground floor of TRB building, at nouvelle route BASTOS, in Yaoundé P.O.Box 6132, Tel. : (+237) 222 23 03 80/222 23 23 30, Fax : (+237) 222 23 37 48, fax : (+237) 222 23 37 48, not later than **JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> 2017 at 12 noon** (local time) in a sealed envelope.

Past the time, no other offer will be accepted. No offer regularly submitted can neither be changed nor withdrawn and must read:

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***TO BE OPENED ONLY AT THE EXAMINATION SESSION”.***

#### **14. OPENING OF BIDS**

The bids will be opened in two stages.

The opening of administrative and technical offers will occur first, followed by that of financial offers of the bidder scoring the minimum required technical mark.

The opening of administrative documents and technical offers will take place on **JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> 2017 at 1:00 am** by the Internal Tender Commission at TRB.

Only bidders can attend the opening session or be represented by a duly mandated person having a good knowledge of the file

The financial offers will be opened at the end of the technical analysis and will concern only the bidders scoring at least **70 points on 100**.

## **15. QUALIFICATION CRITERIA**

- **Eliminatory criteria :**
  - Incomplete administrative file;
  - Forged document;
  - False declaration ;
  - Financial details in the technical offer;
  - Technical score below 70 points out of 100.
- **Essential criteria :**

The bid file will be evaluated on 100 points following the criteria bellow:

- Competence of the firm : 30 pts ;
- Qualification of the team: 44 pts ;
- Work plan and methodology proposed according to the terms of reference : 12 pts ;
- Financial credibility: 10 pts;
- General presentation of the bid: 4 pts.

## **16. SELECTION APPROACH**

The contract will be awarded following the best bidder selection approach according to the procedures described in the Tender Dossier.

## **17. AWARD**

The contract will be awarded to the best bidder, based on a combination of the technical and the financial criteria

## **18. VALIDITY OF BIDS**

The bidders shall be bound by their offers for one hundred and twenty (120) days from the latest date of submission of bids.

## **19. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Further information can be obtained during working hours at the Contracts Unit of TRB, located ground floor of TRB Building at nouvelle route bastos, P; O; Box 6132 Yaounde, tel. : (+237) 222 23 03 80/ 222 23 23 30, fax : (+237) 222 23 37 48.

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**THE DIRECTOR GENERAL**