



TENDER NO: RFP13/10/2024

**APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR STRATEGIC
PLANNING AND MONITORING AND EVALUATION ON AN AS - AND - WHEN REQUIRED BASIS OVER
A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS**

ISSUED BY:

Department of Infrastructure Development
Chief Directorate Supply Chain Management
Private Bag X 83
Marshalltown
2107

NAME OF TENDERING ENTITY:

INVITATION TO TENDER

Short description of requirements:	Appointment of a Panel of Professional Service Providers for Strategic Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation on an as - and - when required basis over a period of three (3) years
Tender number:	RFP13/10/2024
Tender documents available from: 01 November 2024	Tender documents can be downloaded from: E-Tender portal on the below link: http://e-tenders.treasury.gov.za http://e-tenders.gauteng.gov.za
Price of tender documents:	Bid documents must be downloaded and printed on the e-Tender portal at bidders' cost
Closing date:	29 November 2024
Tender Validity	Calendar 180 days
Address for submission of tenders:	Department of Infrastructure Development (GDID Tender Box) Corner House Building, Corner Commissioner and Pixley Ka Isaka Seme (Sauer Street) Marshalltown Johannesburg
Evaluation Steps:	1) Mandatory Compliance Requirements
	2) Other Admin Compliance Requirements Applicable to this Procurement
	3) Functionality Evaluation Criteria
Non - Compulsory pre-bid meeting/site meeting:	MEETING ADDRESS:
	THERE WILL BE NO PRE-BID MEETING
Mandatory Compliance Requirements	Failure to submit / meet or comply with the following requirements outlined in <u>Paragraph 9.1</u> automatically constitutes disqualification of tender offer.
Other Administrative Compliance Requirements	The returnable documents applicable to <u>Paragraph 9.2</u> of the Terms of reference must be fully completed and submitted.
Functionality Evaluation	Functionality evaluation will be conducted in accordance with <u>Paragraph 9.3</u> of the Terms of Reference.

Enquiries Technical:	Project Manager: Ntsatsi Pule OR Gcobani Mkwela Email Address: ntsatsi.pule@gauteng.gov.za gcobani.mkwela@gauteng.gov.za
Enquiries general:	SCM: Millicent Chauke Email Address: millicent.chauke@gauteng.gov.za
Last date for accepting queries is:	3 days before closing date

Note to tenderers:

All successful service provider will be subject to signing Service Level Agreement (SLA) and standard Rates as prescribed by the department and the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act no 5 of 2000 and its Regulations of 2022.

**PART A
INVITATION TO BID**

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE

BID NUMBER:	RFP13/10/2024	CLOSING DATE:	29 November 2024	CLOSING TIME:	11h00
DESCRIPTION	APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR STRATEGIC PLANNING AND MONITORING AND EVALUATION ON AN AS - AND - WHEN REQUIRED BASIS OVER A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS				

BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)

Corner House Building

Corner Commissioner and Pixley Ka Isaka (Sauer) Street

Marshalltown, Johannesburg

2017

BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:

CONTACT PERSON	Millicent Chauke	CONTACT PERSON	Ntsatsi Pule / Gcobani Mkwela
TELEPHONE NUMBER	N/A	TELEPHONE NUMBER	N/A
FACSIMILE NUMBER		FACSIMILE NUMBER	
E-MAIL ADDRESS	millicent.chauke@gauteng.gov.za	E-MAIL ADDRESS	ntsatsi.pule@gauteng.gov.za gcobani.mkwela@gauteng.gov.za

SUPPLIER INFORMATION

NAME OF BIDDER			
POSTAL ADDRESS			
STREET ADDRESS			
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER
CELLPHONE NUMBER			
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER
E-MAIL ADDRESS			

VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER	
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SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] ☐ Yes ☐ No			B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] ☐ Yes ☐ No

[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]

ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES OFFERED?	☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]	ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS / SERVICES OFFERED?	☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
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QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS

IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?	☐ YES ☐ NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?	☐ YES ☐ NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?	☐ YES ☐ NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?	☐ YES ☐ NO

IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?	☐ YES ☐ NO ☐ YES ☐ NO
IF THE ANSWER IS “NO” TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 BELOW.	

PART B
TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:
1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION. 1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT. 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT. 1.4. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).
2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS
2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS. 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS. 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA . 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID. 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER. 2.6 WHERE NO TCS PIN IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED. 2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE."

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:
(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

DATE:

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.

Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

2. BIDDER'S DECLARATION

- 2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest¹ in the enterprise, employed by the state?

YES/NO

- 2.1.1 If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

- 2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

- 2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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- 2.3 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

¹ the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:
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3 DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, (name)..... in submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium² will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.5 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.6 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
- 3.7 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.
I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

..... Signature	 Date
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2 Joint Venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

Position

Name of bidder

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SPECIFICATION

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TERMS OF REFERENCE (BID SPECIFICATIONS)

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 The Department of Infrastructure Development (DID) would like to invite suitable, qualified and competent Strategic Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultants to send proposals to be considered for inclusion on its panel of Strategic Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultants, as 'preferred professional service providers'. Preferred service providers imply that the selected firms are a pool, not necessarily the only contracted service provider.
- 1.2 The panel of Strategic Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultants will be required to provide Strategic and Monitoring and Evaluation services to DID, on an ad hoc basis, for a period of three (3) years.

2. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 2.1 This Request for Proposal (RFP), as compiled by DID is being made available, on the same basis to all bidders and a bidder submitting a response thereto will be deemed to do on the basis that they acknowledge and accept the terms and conditions set out below:
- 2.2 Supplier performance management is viewed by DID as a critical component in ensuring value for money acquisition and good supplier relations between DID and all its suppliers. The successful bidder shall upon receipt of written notification of an award, be required to conclude a Master Services Agreement (MSA) which will form an integral part of the General Conditions of Contract. This MSA will serve as a tool to measure, monitor and assess the supplier's performance and ensures effective delivery of service, quality and value-add to DID. The scope of work shall form part of the aforementioned agreement.
- 2.3. Confidentiality
 - 2.3.1 The Strategic Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultants will be required to sign confidentiality and/or indemnity agreements with DID.
 - 2.3.2 The bidder undertakes, at any time during the term of its appointment and after any termination or cancellation thereof, not to directly or indirectly disclose, or directly or indirectly use, whether for its own benefit or that of any other person any confidential information of DID including that of or any information relating to its clients, customers, suppliers, donors, sponsors or agents.
- 2.4. Intellectual property rights
 - 2.4.1 All copyright and intellectual property rights that may result as consequences of the work to be performed will be become the property of DID.
 - 2.4.2 Strategic Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultants must hand over all documents and information in any format, including copies thereof, that it received from DID or that it had access to during the assignment immediately after completion of the assignments to DID.
 - 2.4.3 Strategic Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation Consultants shall deliver to DID, on completion of an assignment, any security devices, passwords or protective mechanisms to the soft versions of documents that were written and DID will have the right to amend and change these without obligation whatsoever to the Consultants upon completion of the assignment.
- 2.5. A due diligence review may be conducted at the sole discretion of DID at any time prior to the awarding of the contract which may include but is not limited to conducting site visits at bidder's corporate offices.
- 2.6. DID does not guarantee that bidders will receive instructions in the event that they are appointed onto the DID panel of Service Providers for Strategic Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation.

- 2.7. All instructions to selected consultants on the Panel of Service Providers shall be given in writing, by a duly authorised representative of DID.
- 2.8. DID promotes local production and content and for purposes of this RFP, DID reserves the right to only consider South African Based Business Management Consultants for appointment under this RFP.
- 2.9. DID reserves the right to interview panel members that would have been short listed for specific assignments.
- 2.10. DID may, at its sole discretion award an assignment or any part thereof to more than one panel member or to any consulting firm not forming part of the panel of service providers depending on the nature of the assignment.
- 2.11. The Consultants may not cede or assign any part of its agreement with DID nor subcontract any part of the work assigned to them without the prior written authorization of DID.
- 2.12. Failure to comply with any condition of this request for a proposal will invalidate respective tender proposal.
- 2.13. Regular monthly written feedback must be given to the Chief Director: Transversal Support Services, or his/her nominee on all strategic planning and performance management matters, received from the DID with the service provider, at no costs to the DID.
- 2.14. When outcomes have been postponed at the request of the professional service provider acting on behalf of DID owing to non-compliance with any procedural requirements, the professional service provider who was negligent in this regard will bear the costs of postponement, and this amount will not be recovered from DID.
- 2.15. Payment of consultancy fees by DID will be effected within 30 (thirty) days from date of receipt of an acceptable invoice.
- 2.16. In the event that any conflict of interest is discovered during a particular assignment, DID reserves the right to summarily cancel the services agreement and demand that all information, documents and property of DID be returned forthwith.
- 2.17. A bidder shall, in the event of a sale, acquisition, merger, or other change of control of a bidder after submission of a bid (Change Event) where such Change Event is achieved, directly or indirectly, in a single transaction or series of related transactions, or in the event of a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the bidder in a single or series of related transactions procure the prior written approval of DID, failing which DID shall at its own discretion exclude the bidder from further participation in the bid process.
- 2.18. Where the panel falls short of other fundamental business management aspects, DID reserves the right to appoint consultants outside the appointed panel.
- 2.19. DID shall be entitled, in its discretion to remove a Business Management Consultant from the panel before the expiry of the thirty six(36) months period by written notice and recall all the files in the possession of the said Consulting firm.
- 2.20. No entity may be involved, whether directly or indirectly, in more than one Bid in response to the RFP. A failure to comply with this requirement may, within the sole discretion of DID, result in disqualification of the relevant entity.

3. SCOPE OF WORK

- 3.1 The preferred service providers will be expected to render services on an ad hoc basis to DID in the following service categories aligned to the core functions of Contract Administration and Strategic Planning and Monitoring and Evaluation Directorates within Transversal Support Services: -

ITEM	SERVICE CATEGORIES	PLEASE TICK ()
1.	Strategic Planning (5-year plan)	
2.	Mid Term and End term reviews	
3.	End of Term Review Report (5 year)	
4.	30 Year Review Report	
5.	Impact Evaluation Study	
6.	Strategic Planning Facilitation	
7.	Organizational Strategies Development	
8.	Socio economic analysis and Infrastructure Development Research and Analysis	

NOTE: Bidders may submit proposals in respect of any one or a combination of the 8 services categories. Please indicate which service categories under 3.1 you are bidding for. Bidders must indicate in their proposals the relevant experience and exposure in relation to the selected service categories.

- 3.2 It is DID's objective to promote the participation of historically disadvantaged professionals through its panel of Business Management Consultants. Bidders are requested to indicate in their proposals how they will assist DID in achieving this objective.

4. SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE REQUIRED FROM PSP

The minimum skills and experience of the service provider:

- Appropriate Qualifications in Social Sciences in either of the following fields: Psychology, Human Resource Management Development Studies, Public Administration, Business Management, Public Policy, Monitoring and Evaluation and/ or Research Consultation including any related qualification.
- Extensive track record in Strategic Planning, Research, Monitoring and Evaluation.
- Thorough knowledge of and extensive experience in public sector and corporate governance.
- Understanding of the PFMA and the Public Service Regulation Act etc.
- Excellent communication and presentation skills.
- Reporting Writing Skills.

Amongst others, the Professional Service Provider (PSP) is required to have a better understanding of the following documentation:

- National Development Plan 2030
- GGT2030 Plan
- Medium Term Development Plan

- Guidelines for Implementation of the Revised Framework for the Strategic Plans and Annual Performance Plans (2019)
- National Evaluation Policy Framework
- Basic Concepts of Monitoring and Evaluation PSC 2008
- Revised Framework for the Strategic Plans and Annual Performance Plans (2019)
- DID Annual Reports
- DID Quarterly Reports
- Strategic Plan (2020-2025)
- Gauteng Provincial Growth and Development Strategy.

- 4.1 In the event that DID has not prescribed the level of Business Management Consultant required for a specific instruction, the bidder must in good faith appoint a Business Management Consultant with suitable experience and qualifications.
- 4.2 In the event that a Business Management Consultant moves to a new higher category during the service provider's appointment term, the professional service provider shall notify DID accordingly in writing and DID shall have the right to request another Business Management Consultant from the professional service provider who is at the same category as the Business Management Consultant who as initially appointed to replace him/her before such Business Management Consultant renders his/her next account to DID.
- 4.3 The professional service provider is required to advise DID of any new professional staff members appointed during the contract term to attend to DID's instructions and shall furnish DID with a short CV, including the appointee's applicable category, prior to such new appointee commencing work on a DID matter.
- 4.4 Professional service providers will be regarded as having acted in bad faith in the event that DID finds:
 - instructions and/or duties that could be attended to, or executed by junior staff members have been assigned to senior Business Management Consultant and billed for at such senior staff members' rates;
 - multiple Business Management Consultant have been assigned to attend to a single instruction without any proper justification, such as the complexity or magnitude of a matter and/or the professional service provider failed to request DID's prior permission in writing to appoint multiple Business Management Consultant for such an instruction; and
 - unrealistic time billing taking into account the nature (i.e. relative simplicity) of any action performed and/or service rendered by a Business Management Consultant.

The aforesaid list is not exhaustive. Bidders must note that transgressions such as the above may lead to DID electing not to make any further use of the services of such Business Management Consultancy.

It is DID's objective to promote the participation of historically disadvantaged professionals through its panel of Professional Service Providers (PSP).

5. DURATION AND CONDITIONS OF A PANEL

- a. This panel of service providers will be for a period of three (3) years after appointment.
- b. The Department reserves its discretionary right to award a tender.
- c. The successful service providers will be expected to provide a quote, as and when required, for the services required in the planning and implementation.
- d. The appointed Professional Service Provider (PSP) will be allocated work on a rotational basis.

6. WORK ALLOCATION

The work allocation for all successful Bidders will be allocated on rational basis for the duration of the contract. Valid CSD registration and CSD compliance will be required at time of work allocation.

7. SITE BRIEFING

There will be no pre-meeting.

8. TENDER VALIDITY PERIOD

The tender validity period is 180 calendar days.

9. EVALUATION PHASES

The evaluation of the bids will be conducted in line with the Preferential Procurement Regulations of 2022 as issued in terms of section 5 of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act number 5 of 2000 (PPPFA) as follows:

- a. **Mandatory Compliance**
- b. **Administration Compliance and**
- c. **Functionality Evaluation (Desktop Evaluation)**

It is DID's objective to promote the participation of historically disadvantaged professionals through its panel of Professional Service Providers (PSP).

9.1 MANDATORY COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

Bidders must ensure that the following mandatory returnable documents are fully completed, signed and submitted.

Failure to submit/meet or comply with the following requirements constitutes automatic disqualification of tender.
1. Submission of fully completed and signed Invitation to tender (SBD 1).
2. Submission of fully completed and signed bidders' disclosure (SBD 4).
3. Joint Venture Agreement (signed by all parties) in case of Joint Venture / Consortia including the percentage revenue split of the parties involved.

9.2 OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

The following returnable documents are required for this procurement and must be fully completed and submitted.

1. Submission of proof of registration with CSD (CSD registration report or MAAA number)
2. Submission of a Tax Compliance Status PIN that will grant third-party access to the bidder's Tax Compliance Status bid closing.
3. Certified copy of the identity documents of all owners / shareholders / members / directors/ Trustees. Certification as a true copy of the original must not be older than 6 months prior to bid closing.
4. Valid letter of good standing from Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases (COIDA) Act from the Department of Labor or its agencies in the name of the bidding entity
5. Company Registration Certificate
6. Submission of Company Profile- the Business Management Consultants' profile shall inter alia include a short history of the consulting firm including the opening date thereof and the company registration number issued by Company and Intellectual Property Commission. The Company profile must include confirmation of premises from which it conducts its business and must include information on the availability of e-mail access, telephone facilities, printing facilities and library/research facilities. The Company profile to also indicate: ➤ the controls in place to ensure that conflict of interest will be managed effectively and to the best interest of DID; ➤ any value-added services that the bidder may be in a position to offer DID.

9.3 FUNCTIONALITY EVALUATION

During this stage bidder/s that do not meet the minimum threshold for functionality will be disqualified and will not be included on the panel.

Functionality:			
Functionality total points:		100	
Minimum % that should be achieved to be found responsive		65	
Main functionality criteria:	Sub criteria:	Points allocation for sub-criteria:	Maximum Points
COMPANY EXPERIENCE: Bidder to attach Reference letters/completion certificate and corresponding appointment letters/ purchase orders on client’s letterhead of the Organization and signed by the client in Business Management services rendered.			40 Points
SERVICE CATEGORIES	PLEASE TICK ()		
Strategic Planning (5-year plan)			
Mid Term and End term reviews			
End of Term Review Report (5 year)			
30 Year Review Report			
Impact Evaluation Study			
Strategic Planning Facilitation			
Organizational Strategies Development			

Socio economic analysis and Infrastructure Development Research and Analysis				
		5 x signed completion certificates or valid reference letters, accompanied by 5 x corresponding letters of appointment or Purchase Orders.	40 Points	
		4 x signed completion certificates or valid reference letters, accompanied by 4 x corresponding letters of appointment or Purchase Orders.	30 Points	
		3 x signed completion certificates or valid reference letters, accompanied by 3 x corresponding letters of appointment or Purchase Orders.	20 Points	
		2 x signed completion certificates or valid reference letters, accompanied by 2 x corresponding letters of appointment or Purchase Orders.	10 Points	
		1 x signed completion certificate or valid reference letter, accompanied by 1 x corresponding letter of appointment or Purchase Order.	5 Points	
		No signed completion certificate or valid reference letter, accompanied by no corresponding letter of appointment or Purchase Order.	0 Points	
KEY STAFF		Bidders to attach the following documents: • Copies of a detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV) for Key Staff and • Certified copies of Qualifications not older than six months in Social Science in either of the following disciplines: - Psychology - Human Resource Management Development Studies - Public Administration - Business Management - Public Policy - Monitoring and Evaluation - Research Consultation - including any related qualification not older than six months in relation to the selected discipline		40 Points
		The following resources must have at least 5 years' experience and be in possession of the required NQF qualification in relation to the selected disciplines above:	40 Points	

	• One (1) Team Leader Business Management Consultant- qualification master's degree / NQF level 9 • Five (5) Administrators qualifications - Degree / Advanced Diploma NQF level 7		
	The following resources must have at least 4 years' experience and be in possession of the required NQF qualification in relation to the selected disciplines above: • One (1) Team Leader - qualification master's degree / NQF level 9 • Five (5) Administrators qualifications - Degree / Advanced Diploma NQF level 7	32 Points	
	The following resources must have at least 3 years' experience and be in possession of the required NQF qualification in relation to the selected disciplines above: • One (1) Team Leader - qualification master's degree / NQF level 9 • Five (5) Administrators qualifications - Degree / Advanced Diploma NQF level 7	24 Points	
	The following resources must have at least 2 years' experience and be in possession of the required NQF qualification in relation to the selected disciplines above: • One (1) Team Leader - qualification master's degree / NQF level 9 • Five (5) Administrators qualifications - Degree / Advanced Diploma NQF level 7 •	16 Points	
	The following resources must have at least 1 years' experience and be in possession of the required NQF qualification in relation to the selected disciplines above: • One (1) Team Leader - qualification master's degree / NQF level 9 • Five (5) Administrators qualifications - Degree / Advanced Diploma NQF level 7	8 Points	
	Resources with less than 1 years' experience	0 Points	
PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN	The bid document must outline the proposed deliverables that indicates how the bidder will deliver the Scope of Work required per service categories selected in paragraph 3.1 above.		20 Points

	The deliverables will be scored as follows: The Project Implementation Plan must outline clear, easy to understand and detailed information on the following:		
	1. Methodology aligned to the Scope of Work per categories selected	5 Points	
	2. Resource allocation per categories selected	5 Points	
	3. Deliverables per category selected	5 Points	
	4. Timelines for each deliverable and activity per category selected	5 Points	
	5. No clear project implementation plan as per the service categories selected	0 Points	
Total Points: Functionality Evaluation Criteria			100 Points
Minimum Threshold: Functionality Evaluation Criteria			65 Points

Annexure A

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

- (i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts, and orders; and
- (ii) To ensure that clients be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with government.

In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter.

- The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may not be amended.
- Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) relevant to a specific bid, should be compiled separately for every bid (if applicable) and will supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions in the SCC shall prevail.

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General Conditions of Contract

1. Definitions 1. The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:

- 1.1 "Closing time" means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
- 1.2. "Contract" means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
- 1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
- 1.4 "Corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
- 1.5 "Countervailing duties" are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
- 1.6 "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
- 1.7 "Day" means calendar day.
- 1.8 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
- 1.9 "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
- 1.10 "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
- 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.
- 11.2 " Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.13 "Fraudulent practice" means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.14 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.

- 1.16 "Imported content" means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- 1.17 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.
- 1.19 "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in Bidding documents.
- 1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 "Services" means those functional services ancillaries to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.
- 1.25 "Written" or "in writing" means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

- 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

3. General

- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za

4. Standards

- 4.1 The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.

5. Use of contract

- 5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written

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consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.

- 5.2 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so, required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so, required by the purchaser.

6. Patent rights

- 6.1 The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.

7. Performance security

- 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.
- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the supplier's failure to complete his obligations under the contract.
- 7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract, or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the purchaser and shall be in one of the following forms:
 - (a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the purchaser's country or abroad, acceptable to the purchaser, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the purchaser; or
 - (b) a cashier's or certified cheque
- 7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the purchaser and returned to the supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the supplier's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

8. Inspections, 8.1 tests and analyses

- All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 8.2 If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.
- 8.3 If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the

necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.

- 8.4 If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.
- 8.5 Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 8.6 Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 8.7 Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal, the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.
- 8.8 The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.

9. Packing

- 9.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.
- 9.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

10. Delivery and documents

- 10.1 Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in SCC.
- 10.2 Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.

11. Insurance

- 11.1 The goods supplied under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the SCC.

12. Transportation

- 12.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.

13. Incidental Services

- 13.1 The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
 - (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or

- commissioning of the supplied goods;
- (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
- (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
- (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
- (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.

- 13.2 Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.

14. Spare parts

- 14.1 As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier:
- (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and
 - (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
 - (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and
 - (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

15. Warranty 15.1

The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of them supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.

- 15.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC.
- 15.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.
- 15.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser.
- 15.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be

necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

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| 16. Payment | 16.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the Supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC. |
| | 16.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice Accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract. |
| | 16.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier. |
| | 16.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC. |
| 17. Prices | 17.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be. |
| 18. Contract Amendments | 18.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned. |
| 19. Assignment | 19.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent. |
| 20. Subcontracts | 20.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contract if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract. |
| 21. Delays in the supplier's performance | 21.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract. |
| | 21.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract. |
| | 21.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority. |
| | 21.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available. |
| | 21.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties. |
| | 21.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of |

the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

22. Penalties

- 22.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

23. Termination for default

- 23.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:
- (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 212;
 - (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
 - (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 23.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 23.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.
- 23.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier.
- 23.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.
- 23.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:
- (i) the name and address of the supplier and / or person restricted by the purchaser;
 - (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction
 - (iii) the period of restriction; and
 - (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of suppliers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

	23.7	If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections 12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.
24. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights	24.1	When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or anti-dumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him.
25. Force Majeure	25.1	Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.
	25.2	If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.
26. Termination for insolvency	26.1	The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.
27. Settlement of Disputes	27.1	If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
	27.2	If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.
	27.3	Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
	27.4	Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
	27.5	Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court Proceedings herein, (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and

(b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

28. Limitation of Liability

- 28.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct , and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
- (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and
- (b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.

29. Governing Language

- 29.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.

30. Applicable law

- 30.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

31. Notices

- 31.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice
- 31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.

32. Taxes and duties

- 32.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
- 32.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 32.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

33. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

- 33.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.

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