



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: SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF EQUIPMENT

AND SERVICES FOR THE UGRADE OF THE IP CORE NETWORK

Reference No.: NITA-U/UDAP/SUPLS/2023-2024/00033

Issued on: 19th February 2024

- 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 Supply,
 Installation and Commissioning of Equipment and Services for The Upgrade of the IP
 Core Network.
- 2. **National Information Technology Authority-Uganda (NITA-U)** now invites sealed Proposals from eligible Proposers with experience and capacity to analyze, design and implement IP/MPLS Core networks in an ISP and Telecom Environments with at least three (3) similar assignments for the **Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Equipment and Services for The Upgrade of the IP Core Network** in a period of **Six (6) months** at Kampala and Jinja NITA-U Data Centers.
- 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 ("Procurement Regulations"), 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. A pre-proposal meeting, which potential bidders may attend, will be held on **29rd February 2024** at the address given below at **11:00am** 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 <u>udap@nita.go.ug</u>

- 5. 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 Two Hundred Thousand (200,000) only or equivalent in a free 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.
- 6. Proposals must be delivered to the address below on or before **04**th **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 **1**st **Floor Boardroom**, **11:05am**, **04**th **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.
- 7. All Proposals must be accompanied by a **Proposal Security** of **Uganda Shillings**; **300,000,000** (**Uganda Shillings**; **Three Hundred Million only**) 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
- 8. 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.
- 9. The address referred to above is:

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