

Barbados

GOVERNMENT OF BARBADOS - MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT Education Sector Enhancement Programme

Loan Contract No. 1154/OC-BA

Tender for Supply and Installation of Information Technology – IDB-11

1. The Government of Barbados has secured a loan from the Inter American Development Bank (hereinafter referred to as IDB) towards the cost of an Education Sector Enhancement Programme, and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this loan to eligible payments under the contract(s) for which this invitation to tender is issued.
2. The Ministry of Education and Human Resource Development (hereinafter referred to as "the Purchaser") on behalf of the Government of Barbados now invites tenders for the supply and installation of computers and other equipment.

LOTS	
	Schools in each lot will be provided with a turnkey technology solution which will provide computers,
Lot A	network devices, peripherals and other audio visual
Lot B	equipment. This equipment must be so connected to
Lot C	allow for communications and resource sharing
Lot D	across a Local Area Network at the school and allow
	for internet connectivity and communications across
	the Ministry's Wide Area Network.

For tendering purposes items have been grouped into lots and a responsive tender must include all items within the lot. Tenders may be submitted for an individual lot, all lots or a combination of lots.

3. The Purchaser reserves the right to award less than all items in a lot.
4. All Corporate Bidders must include with their bid a copy of the Company's Certificate of Incorporation as evidence of the fact that the Company is an existing registered Company as at the date of bid. The Certificate must be in the name of the Bidder. If the Certificate of Incorporation is not included with the Bid at Bid Opening, the Bidder must submit this within two weeks after Bid Opening.
5. Local Tenderers are advised that the Certificate of Incorporation referred to at the paragraph above means a Certificate of Incorporation issued under the 1985 Companies Act of Barbados, or where applicable, a Certificate of Continuance and/or a Certificate of Amalgamation, or a Certificate of Amendment. Certificates must be dated after December 31, 1984.
6. If the successful Tenderer is not a Barbadian company, the company MUST register under the Barbados Companies Act CAP 308, before entering into a contract with the Purchaser. There must be a surety for the due performance of the contract by way of one of the methods listed below:
 - a. A deposit with the treasury of a sum of money or approved securities to the value of not less than 10% of the contract price; or
 - b. A guarantee issued by a Bank or accredited Insurance Company whose liability shall not be less than 10% of the contract price. The cost of obtaining such a surety shall be the responsibility of the Contractor who need not specifically make

arrangements for such surety unless and until his tender has been accepted; or

- c. Satisfactory personal sureties

7. Tenderers shall furnish documentary evidence that it meets the following financial requirement(s):
 - a. Thirty percent (30%) of tendered price (in liquid funds) or of current assets.
 - b. A declaration of any non performance of litigation.
 - c. Have been in business for at least three (3) years.
8. Tenderers shall furnish documentary evidence that it meets the following experience requirements:
 - a. Experience in projects of equivalent size of the total of the potential contract.
 - b. Experience in at least three similar projects in the region.
9. Tenderers shall furnish documentary evidence that the goods it offers meet the following usage requirements:
 - a. Life span of at least five (5) years.
10. The language of the tender documents is English. Tender documents may be obtained from the first address below, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Barbados time, Monday to Friday. Tender documents may be sent to firms electronically at no cost and to overseas firms by courier, if so requested, at an additional cost for the courier service. Electronic tendering is NOT permitted. Tender documents may be obtained electronically. Queries may be directed to the Education Project Implementation Unit. A non-refundable fee of \$100 Barbados Dollars or the equivalent in a freely convertible currency must accompany each request for tender documents. The method of payment must be in the form of a certified cheque or an international money order, made payable to the ACCOUNTANT GENERAL, or cash.
11. Completed tenders, including Price Schedules, Bid Forms and Bid Securities must be placed in sealed envelopes marked **Tender for Supply and Installation of Information Technology – IDB-11**, and must be delivered to the second address below, not later than 4.30 p.m. Barbados time Wednesday, October 15, 2008. All bids must be accompanied by a bid security in the form of a bank draft or certified cheque in the following amounts:

Lots	Bid Security
Lot A	\$47,133.77
Lot B	\$43,810.51
Lot C	\$45,303.62
Lot D	\$58,111.13

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12. Late tenders will be rejected. Tenders will be opened at the second address above in the presence of Tenderer's representatives who choose to attend at 10:30 a.m. Barbados time on Thursday, October 16, 2008. It will not

be necessary to submit tenders in person since they may be sent by mail or courier.

However, the Ministry is not responsible for tenders not received thereof before the time and date specified for reception.

13. Tenders must be placed in the Tender Box located at the Central Purchasing Department, Fontabelle, St. Michael.
14. No tender will be considered unless it complies with conditions set out in this notice and the tender documents.
15. The Government does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.