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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL DEMANDE DE PROPOSITION

Proposal to: Canada School of Public Service/École de la fonction publique du Canada

We hereby offer to sell to Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, in accordance with the terms and conditions set out herein, referred to herein or attached hereto, the goods, services and construction listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefor.

Proposition aux: Canada School of Public Service/École de la fonction publique du Canada

Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à Sa Majesté I Reine du chef du Canada, aux conditions énoncées ou incluses par référence dans la présente et aux annexes ci-jointes, les biens, services et construction énumérés ici sur toute feuille ci-annexée, au(x) prix indiqué(s).

**Comments - Commentaries** 

# THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS A SECURITY REQUIREMENT

Vendor/Firm Name and Address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur

Telephone No. - no de téléphone:

| Title-Sujet:  |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Develop workshop materials and approaches   |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Solicitation No. – No. de l'invitation Date   |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CSPS-RFP-1314-EB014   | December 12, 2013                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Client Reference No No. De Référence<br>CSPS-RFP-1314-EB014   | e du Client                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend<br>at - à 02:00 PM Eastern St  | fin<br>andard Time Zone               |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| on - le December 31, 2013   |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Financial Codes - Codes financiers  |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| F.O.B F.A.B.<br>Destination   |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Address Inquiries to: - Adresser toute demande de renseignements à: Eric Beaudry Eric.beaudry@csps-efpc.gc.ca |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Telephone No No de téléphone<br>(613) 863-6591  | Fax No. – No de Fax:<br>(819-934-8325 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Destination of Goods and Services: Deservices: NCR  | estinations des biens et              |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Instructions : See Herein   |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Instructions : Voir aux présentes   |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Delivery Required – Livraison exigée Delivery Offered – Livraison proposée                                    |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| See Herein  |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of<br>Vendor/Firm                                       |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur                        |                                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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#### **PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### 1 Security Requirement

There is a security requirement. For additional information, see Part 4, Evaluation Procedures and Basis of Selection, and Part 6, Resulting Contract Clause.

#### 2 Statement of Work

The Work to be performed is detailed at Annex B

#### **PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS**

#### 1 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions

All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC). The Manual is available on the PWGSC Website:

<a href="https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/1">https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/1</a>

Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract.

The 2003 (2013-06-01) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation **SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING REVISIONS FOR PURPOSES OF THIS Request for Proposal (RFP):** 

- wherever reference is made to Public Work and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) revise to read "Canada School of Public Service (CSPS)":
- 2. at Article 02, "Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions", **delete** "Pursuant to the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act, S.C. 1996,c.16...";
- 3. at Article 04, Item 2.(d), "Submission of Bids", revise to read "...send its bid only to the address indicated on page 1 of the Request for Proposals";
- 4. at Article 04, Item 4., "Submission of Bids", revise the bid validity period from sixty (60) days to ninety (90) days;
- 5. at article 19, "Further information", delete item 2.

## 2 Submission of Bids

The deadline for submission of bids is indicated on **page 1 of the RFP**. Bids (and any amendments thereto) received after the stipulated closing date and time will **not** be accepted and will be returned unopened to the Bidder, unless the late Bid qualifies as a 'Delayed Bid' as described in Article 6 of **Standard Instructions 2003 (2013.06.01)**. If a late Bid must be opened to determine the name and/or address of the Bidder or the nature of the enclosure, a covering letter will be sent to explain the necessity of opening the Bid.

CSPS will not assume responsibility for bids directed to any location other than that stated on page 1 of the RFP. Bidders MUST indicate the CSPS RFP Number on the packaging when submitting their bids.

#### **ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF BIDS - PERMITTED UNDER THE RFP**

Due to the nature of this RFP, transmission of Bids by means of electronic mail (facsimile, commercial telex or e-mail) to CSPS is considered to be practical and therefore **will be accepted.** 

# 3 Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

All enquiries must be submitted to the RFP Authority no later than Five (5) calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.

Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the questions or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered with copies to all bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all bidders may not be answered by Canada.

#### 4 Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of their bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of their choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the bidders.

#### **PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS**

#### 1 Bid Preparation Instructions

Bidders must provide copies of their bid in separately bound sections as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid (3 hard copy) (1 soft copy)

Section II: Financial Bid (1 copy) (1 soft copy)

Prices must not appear in any other section of the bid except in the Financial Bid.

Canada requests bidders to follow the format instructions described below in the preparation of their bid.

- (a) use 8.5 x 11 inch (216 mm x 279 mm) paper;
- (b) use a numbering system that corresponds to the bid solicitation;
- (c) include the certifications as a separate section of the bid.

#### Section I: Technical Bid

In their technical bid, bidders should explain and demonstrate how they propose to meet the requirements and how they will carry out the Work.

#### Section II: Financial Bid

Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Basis of Payment. The total amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST) or Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) is to be shown separately, if applicable.

# PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

#### 1 Evaluation Procedures

- (a) Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical and financial evaluation criteria specified below.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of Canada will evaluate the bids.

#### 1.1 Technical Evaluation

#### 1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria

In order to facilitate the evaluation, Bidders are requested to number their Technical Proposal by indicating in the following tables, the column titled "Proposal Ref. Pg #" pointing the evaluators to the page in their proposal where the details supporting the claim of qualification against the particular criterion can be found.

The Bidder must propose resource(s) to provide the required services as specified in the Statement of Work (Annex "B"). Proposed resource(s) will be evaluated against the following mandatory requirements.

The Mandatory Criteria listed below will be evaluated on a simple **PASS/FAIL** (i.e. responsive/non-responsive (compliant/non-compliant) basis. Bids which fail to meet one of the Mandatory Criteria will be deemed non-responsive and given no further consideration.

Proposals MUST demonstrate compliance with all of the Mandatory Requirements and MUST provide the necessary documentation to support compliance.

When addressing Mandatory Technical Criteria in the Bid, they are to be referenced as M1, M2, etc.

|         | Bidder Name:  |                        |            |   |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------|---|------------------------|------------|---|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Item    | Bidde   | Mandatory Requirements | Proposal   | Reserved for CSPS   |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| , , , , |   |                        | Ref. Pg. # |   | Fail |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M1      | Bidder must demonstra<br>within the past 5 years of<br>their own original resea   |                        |            |   |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M2      | Bidder must demonstrate in writing that they have <u>an established</u> <u>certification program to train resource(s) in the domains of</u> <u>complexity, wicked problems, and adaptive leadership</u> |                        |            |   |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| M3      |   | , 5                    |            | The Bidder must provide a detailed résumé, including work histories, of the proposed resource(s), i.e. workshops delivered, |      |  |  |  |  |  |  |

#### 1.1.2. Point Rated Criteria

The Point Rated Criteria contained herein will be used by CSPS to evaluate Bids that have met all of the Technical Mandatory Criteria. Bidders are advised to address these requirements in the following order and in sufficient depth in their responses to enable a thorough assessment. CSPS' assessment will be based solely on the information contained within the Bid.

Bids will be technically evaluated under the Point Rated Criteria in the order the stated criteria appear below. To be compliant, bids shall obtain a minimum score of 40 points of the overall 80points achievable from the point rated criteria identified in the table below in order to be considered further. Bids failing to achieve the minimum score in each point rated criterion shall be declared non-responsive and will not be considered further.

Only those Bids which are compliant with <u>all</u> of the Mandatory Technical Criteria and then achieve (or exceed) the stated minimum points applicable to <u>EACH</u> Point Rated Criteria (where "minimum acceptable points" apply) will be further considered further for Contract award.

When addressing Point Rated Criteria in the Bid, they are to be referenced as R1, R2, etc.

| Number | Rated Technical Criteria   | FOR CSPS USE ONL |     |
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| Number | Nateu Technical Criteria   | Min              | Max |
| R1     | Experience in applying concepts, methods and tools related to complexity, wicked problems, and adaptive leadership at a senior management level in the public sector context, in Canada and/or in other countries.  0-3 projects = 5 pts 4-5 projects = 10 pts More than 5 projects = 20 pts  The Contractor must provide a short description of at least 2 projects, accompanied by a senior-level reference from each one. | 5                | 20  |
| R2     | Experience in developing workshops with a significant experiential component (inc. materials, simulations, tools, exercises etc.) in the subject matter of complexity, wicked problems, and adaptive leadership  1-5 projects = 10 points 6-10 projects = 20 pts More than 10 projects = 30 pts  The Contractor must provide a short description (up to 2 pages) of their experience, giving several concrete examples.      | 10               | 30  |
| R3     | Range of tools and methods created from original research done by the Contractor, and available for adaptation to a range of contexts (courses, workshops, consulting etc.).   | 10               | 30  |

| 1-5 = 10<br>6-10 = 20 pts<br>More than 10 = 30 pts  |  |
|---|--|
| The Contractor must provide a brief description of tools and methods available and the original research they are derived from. |  |

The Point Rated Criteria will be worth 70% of final evaluation against 30% for the financial aspect.

#### 1.2 Financial Evaluation

No payment shall be made for costs incurred by the Bidder in the preparation and submission of a bid in response to this RFP and no costs are to be incurred by the Bidder before receipt of a signed contract.

Prices must be provided in Canadian currency, Free on Board (FOB), with Canadian customs duties and excise taxes as applicable **INCLUDED**, and Goods and Services Tax (GST) or Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) as applicable, **EXCLUDED**.

For foreign-based Bidders, prices must be in Canadian currency, FOB Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, and **EXCLUDE** Canadian customs duties, excise taxes and GST or HST, as applicable. Canadian customs duties and excise taxes payable by the consignee will be added, for evaluation purposes only, to the prices submitted by foreign-based Bidders.

Bidders MUST provide a FIRM ALL INCLUSIVE Per Diem RATE in Canadian Funds, Goods and Services Tax (GST) or the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) EXCLUDED, for each city being bid on.

## **Pricing Table:**

The Bidder MUST provide the following detailed information to be considered responsive.

|   | Proposed Resource(s) | Firm all inclusive per-diem rate (in Cdn \$) | Proposed Level<br>of Effort (number<br>of days) | Total<br>(in Cdn \$) |
|---|----------------------|--|---|----------------------|
|   |                      | Α  | В   | C = A x B            |
| 1 | Main Resource        |  |   |                      |
|   |                      |  |   |                      |
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# 2. FIRM PER DIEM RATE(s)

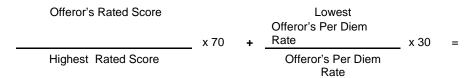
The firm per diem rate(s) is based on 7.5 hours (seven hours and 30 minutes) per day. For work performed for duration of more or less than one (1) day, the daily rate will be <u>prorated</u> accordingly to cover actual time worked. The firm per diem rate(s) is 'all inclusive' (inclusive of administrative expenses, etc.) except for GST/HST and any Travel and Living Expenses which are extra. The Bidder (Contractor) agrees with the promulgation of the per diem rates indicated above within CSPS. The level of effort (time

to perform Work tasks) will be as indicated in the Statement of Work or as formally indicated to the Contractor by the Technical Authority, via e-mail or other agreed upon formal method.

#### 2.1 Basis of Selection

**Highest combined rating of technical merit and price.** The Bidder's financial offer will be considered solely if the Bidder has met all of the above-listed Mandatory and Rated Criteria. The bidder's selection will be made based on qualifying bids which are compliant with <u>all</u> of the "Mandatory Technical Criteria". Only those compliant will be considered further for contract award where the point rated criteria will be calculated based on a ratio of 60% for the "Rated Technical Criteria" and 40% for the financial aspect.

#### Rating:



Example: (technical merit (70%) and price (30%)

| Description                          | Offeror A  | Offeror B  | Offeror C  |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Offeror Technical<br>Points Received | 70         | 61.25      | 48.13      |
| Offeror Proposed<br>Per Diem Rate    | \$1,100.00 | \$1,250.00 | \$1,450.00 |

#### **Final Evaluation Score Calculation:**

| Offeror   | Points for Technical Score     | Points for Per Diem Rate             | Total<br>Points |
|-----------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Offeror A | (80 / 80) x 70% = 7 <b>0</b>   | (1,100 / 1,100) x 30% = 3 <b>0</b>   | 100             |
| Offeror B | (70 / 80) x 70% = <b>61.25</b> | (1,100 / 1,250) x 30% = <b>26.4</b>  | 87.65           |
| Offeror C | (55 / 80) x 70% = <b>48.13</b> | (1,100 / 1,450) x 30% = <b>22.76</b> | 70.89           |

In this example, Offeror A will be considered for contract award.

The successful Bidder (to be recommended for contract award) will be selected on the basis of the compliant (responsive) Bid that scores the **highest total number of rating points.** In this example, **Bidder A** would be recommended for Contract award.

The Crown reserves the right to award as many contracts as deemed necessary based on operational requirements.

# 2.2 Tie Breaker

Where two or more responsive bids have the identical all-inclusive delivery cost, the rank and final selection will be based on the following:

1<sup>st</sup> tie breaker criteria: The resource who clearly demonstrates the <u>greatest number of tools and</u> <u>methods created from original research done by the Contractor</u>

2<sup>nd</sup> tie breaker criteria (as back-up): The resource who clearly demonstrates the <u>highest number of</u> courses, workshops and other interventions with clients in the past five (5) years.

# Please note this number must be clearly indicated in the proposal

#### 3 Security Requirement

All resources proposed to provide services in response to any solicitation document **MUST** have and maintain a valid **Reliability Status** security clearance for the duration of the Contract period.

It is not necessary that an individual have a valid security clearance in order to provide a bid in response to the solicitation document however, the services of any individual(s) cannot be utilized under any resultant contract until they obtain the requisite security clearance.

Technical Bids should contain the security clearance level, PWGSC file number and the expiry date of the clearance for resource(s) proposed and already cleared.

#### 4 Bidder Disclosure of Activities - Possible Conflict of Interest Situations

If CSPS determines the successful Bidder to be in a possible conflict of interest situation, the Bidder will be required, prior to entering into a contractual relationship with CSPS, to disclose any and all holdings and activities that could possibly be in a conflict, real or perceivable, with the mandate and objectives of CSPS. In the event that CSPS decides that action is necessary in order to remove such a conflict, the successful Bidder will be required to take such action (which may include divestiture of certain assets or ceasing to perform certain activities) prior to entering into a contractual relationship with CSPS. Failure to address the conflicts of interest to the School's satisfaction will render the proposal inadmissible.

#### **PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS**

Bidders must provide the required certifications (at Annex A) to be awarded a contract. Canada will declare a bid non-responsive if the required certifications are not completed and submitted as requested. Compliance with the certifications bidders provide to Canada is subject to verification by Canada during the bid evaluation period (before award of a contract) and after award of a contract. The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the bidders' compliance with the certifications before award of a contract. The bid will be declared non-responsive if any certification made by the Bidder is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly. Failure to comply with the certifications or to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority for additional information will also render the bid non-responsive.

## 1. Certifications Precedent to Contract Award

The certifications should be completed and submitted with the bid, but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will so inform the Bidder and provide the Bidder with a time frame within which to meet the

requirement. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority and meet the requirement within that time period will render the bid non-responsive.

#### **PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES**

# 1 Security Requirements

1.1 All resources proposed to provide services in response to any solicitation document MUST have and maintain a valid Reliability Status security clearance for the duration of the Contract period.

The Contractor personnel requiring access to sensitive work site(s) **MUST EACH** hold a valid **RELIABILITY STATUS**, granted or approved by CISD/PWGSC.

Subcontracts which contain security requirements are **NOT** to be awarded without the prior written permission of CISD/PWGSC.

The Contractor **MUST** comply with the provisions of the Industrial Security Manual (latest edition) <a href="http://www.ssi-iss.tpsgc-pwgsc.qc.ca/apropos-about/org/dsic-cisd-eng.html">http://www.ssi-iss.tpsgc-pwgsc.qc.ca/apropos-about/org/dsic-cisd-eng.html</a>

#### 2 Statement of Work

The Contractor must perform the Work in accordance with the Statement of Work at Annex "B".

#### 3 Standard Clauses and Conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the *Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions* Manual issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC). The Manual is available on the PWGSC Website: <a href="http://sacc.pwgsc.gc.ca/sacc/index-e.jsp">http://sacc.pwgsc.gc.ca/sacc/index-e.jsp</a>.

# 3.1 General Conditions

2010B (2013.04.25) General Conditions - Professional Services, apply to and form part of the Contract.

Notwithstanding that they are not expressly articulated in the contract, they <u>apply</u> to the contract, subject to any other express terms and conditions contained in the contract **AND SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING REVISIONS:** 

- wherever "Public Works and Government Services (PWGSC)" appears in the document revise to read "Canada School of Public Service (CSPS)";
- at Article 2010B- 2, "Standard Clauses and Conditions", delete "Pursuant to the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act, S.C. 1996, c.16

## 4. Term of Contract

The Contractor shall perform the work described herein during the period from date of contract signing to March 31, 2014.

#### 5 Authorities

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# 5.1 Contracting Authority

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Eric Beaudry Procurement Officer Canada School of Public Service Telephone: 613-863-6591 Facsimile: 819-934-8325

E-mail address: eric.beaudry@csps-efpc.gc.ca

The Contracting Authority is responsible for the management of the Contract and any changes to the Contract must be authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority. The Contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the Contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the Contracting Authority.

#### 5.2 Technical Authority

The Technical Authority for the Contract is:

To be determined upon contract award.

The Technical Authority named above is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the Work under the Contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the Technical Authority. However, the Technical Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

# 6 Payment

#### 6.1 Basis of Payment

The Basis of Payment is detailed in Part 4, section 1.2.

## 6.2 Method of Payment

Canada will pay the Contractor on a monthly basis for work performed during the month covered by the invoice in accordance with the payment provisions of the Contract if:

- (a) an accurate and complete invoice and any other documents required by the Contract have been submitted in accordance with the invoicing instructions provided in the Contract;
- (b) all such documents have been verified by Canada;
- (c) the Work performed has been accepted by Canada.

# 7 Invoicing Instructions

An invoice must be submitted monthly to the Technical Authority, for charges/costs incurred in accordance with the Basis of Payment (see invoicing for milestone payments below), on the Contractor's

own invoice, supported by description of work performed, as required, and contain the following information:

- (a) the Contract serial number and Financial Coding;
- (b) name/address of Contractor, invoice date, period covered by the invoice;
- (c) hours worked by the individual(s)/firm per diem rate(s)/total for professional fees;
- (d) total amount of the invoice.

#### 7.1 Supplemental Invoicing Instructions - T1204

Pursuant to paragraph 221(1)(d) of the Income Tax Act, R.S.C. 1985, c.1 (5th Supp.), payments made by departments and agencies to Contractors under applicable services contracts (including contracts involving a mix of goods and services) must be reported on a T1204 Government Service Contract Payments slip.

To enable CSPS to comply with this requirement, the Contractor is required to provide the following information with the first invoice: (If the information includes a SIN, the information should be provided in a separate envelope marked "PROTECTED" and attached to the invoice.)

- a) the legal name of the Contractor, i.e., the legal name associated with its business number (BN) or Social Insurance Number (SIN), as well as its address and postal code;
- the status of the Contractor, i.e. an individual, a sole proprietorship, a corporation, or a partnership;
- c) Corporations or Partnerships the business number of the Contractor or if a BN does not exist, the GST/HST number or in the absence of a BN or GST/HST number, the T2 Corporation Tax number must be shown. In the case of a partnership, if the partnership does not have a business number, the partner who has signed the Contract must provide its SIN;
- d) Individuals or Sole Proprietorships if a BN does not exist, the Social Insurance Number (SIN), or, the GST/HST number;
- e) **Joint Venture** in the case of a joint venture, the business number of all parties to the joint venture who have a business number or their SIN if they do not have a business number;
- f) the following certification signed by the Contractor or an authorized officer:

"I certify that I have examined the information provided herein, including the legal name, address, and Canada Revenue Agency identifier, and that it is correct and complete, and fully discloses the identification of this Contractor".

#### 8 Certifications

Compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid is a condition of the Contract and subject to verification by Canada during the entire contract period. If the Contractor does not comply with any certification or it is determined that any certification made by the Contractor in its bid is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, Canada has the right, pursuant to the default provision of the Contract, to terminate the Contract for default.

# 9 Applicable Laws

The Contract shall be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario.

# 10 Priority of Documents

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- (a) the Articles of Agreement;
- (b) 2010B General Conditions Services
- (c) Statement of Work
- (d) Basis of Payment
- (e) the Contractor's bid dated \_\_\_\_\_ (insert date of bid),

#### 11 Suitability of Services

All services rendered may be evaluated within a reasonable time from commencement of the Contract on the basis of quality and adherence to CSPS's schedule and standards. Personnel assigned must be capable of performing the work at a level of competence deemed acceptable by CSPS.

Should personnel be found unsuitable to perform the services, and upon written advice from CSPS through the Contracting Authority, the Contractor shall implement suitable corrective action within five (5) working days upon receiving written notice by the Contracting Authority. Any costs associated with individual replacement shall be to the Contractor's own account.

CSPS has the right to reject any resource or work submitted that could result in potential embarrassment to CSPS, such as, where the past conduct of the resource(s) is (are) incompatible, in the opinion of the CSPS, with the subject matter of the training or the work performed, as described in the Statement of Work. CSPS also has the right to terminate, if necessary, any contract in which the work is performed by any individual who, in the opinion of the CSPS, is incompetent or has been conducting himself/herself improperly.

# 12 Intellectual Property (IP)

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## 01 Interpretation

1. In the Contract,

"Background Information" means all Technical Information that is not Foreground Information and that is proprietary to or the confidential information of the Contractor, its Subcontractors or any other supplier of the Contractor:

"Firmware" means any computer program stored in integrated circuits, read-only memory or other similar devices:

"Foreground Information" means any Invention first conceived, developed or reduced to practice as part of the Work under the Contract and all other Technical Information conceived, developed or produced as part of the Work under the Contract;

"Intellectual Property Right" means any intellectual property right recognized by the law, including any intellectual property right protected through legislation (such as that governing patents, copyright, industrial design, integrated circuit topography, or plant breeders' rights) or arising from protection of information as a trade secret or as confidential information;

"Invention" means any new and useful art, process, machine, manufacture or composition of matter, or any new and useful improvement in any art, process, machine, manufacture or composition of matter, whether or not patentable;

"Software" means any computer program whether in source or object code (including Firmware), any computer program documentation recorded in any form or medium, and any computer database, and includes modifications to any of the foregoing;

"Technical Information" means all information of a scientific, technical or artistic nature relating to the Work, whether oral or recorded in any form or medium and whether or not subject to copyright, including but not limited to any Inventions, designs, methods, processes, techniques, know-how, models, prototypes, patterns, samples, schematics, experimental or test data, reports, drawings, plans, specifications, photographs, collections of information, manuals and any other documents, and Software. Technical Information does not include data concerned with the administration of the Contract by Canada or the Contractor, such as internal financial or management information, unless it is a deliverable under the Contract.

# 02 Disclosure of Foreground Information

- 1. The Contractor shall promptly report and fully disclose to the Minister all Foreground Information that could be Inventions, and shall report and fully disclose to the Minister all other Foreground Information not later than the time of completion of the Work or at such earlier time as the Minister or the Contract may require.
- 2. Before and after final payment to the Contractor, the Minister shall have the right to examine all records and supporting data of the Contractor which the Minister reasonably deems pertinent to the identification of Foreground Information.

## 03 Canada to Own Intellectual Property Rights in Foreground Information

- 1. Without affecting any Intellectual Property Rights or interests therein that have come into being prior to the Contract, all Intellectual Property Rights in the Foreground Information shall immediately, as soon as they come into existence, vest in and remain the property of Canada. The Contractor shall have no right in or to any such Intellectual Property Rights in the Foreground Information except any right that may be granted in writing by Canada.
- 2. The Contractor shall incorporate the copyright symbol and either of the following copyright notices, as appropriate, into all Foreground Information that is subject to copyright, regardless of the form in or medium upon which it is recorded:

| medium upon which it is recorded: |  |
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| or |                            |

(c) SA MAJESTÉ LA REINE DU CHEF DU CANADA (année)

(c) HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF CANADA (year)

- 3. (i) For greater certainty, the Contractor agrees that where the Work under the Contract involves the preparation of a database or other compilation using information or data supplied by Canada or personal information referred to in paragraph (ii), then the Contractor shall not use or disclose any such information or data or personal information for any purpose other than completing the Work under the Contract. The Contractor shall not dispose of such information or data or personal information except by returning it to Canada. The Contractor shall comply with the General Conditions of the Contract in regard to maintaining the confidentiality of such information, data, or personal information. Unless the Contract otherwise expressly provides, the Contractor shall deliver to Canada all such information, data, or personal information, together with every copy, draft, working paper and note thereof that contains such information, data, or personal information upon completion or termination of the Contract or at such earlier time as the Minister may require.
- (ii) For greater certainty and without limiting sub-section 03(1), if the Work under the Contract involves the collection of personal information as that term is defined in the *Privacy Act* (R.S.C., c. P-21), then all Intellectual Property Rights in and title to that personal information shall, immediately upon the collection of it by the Contractor, vest in Canada, and the Contractor shall have no right or interest in it.
- 4. The Contractor shall execute such conveyances or other documents relating to the Intellectual Property Rights in the Foreground Information as the minister for whose department or agency the Work is being or was carried out may require, and the Contractor shall, at Canada's expense, afford that minister all reasonable assistance in the preparation of applications and in the prosecution of any applications for registration of any Intellectual Property Right in any jurisdiction, including without limitation the assistance of the inventor in the case of Inventions.

# 04 License to Intellectual Property Rights in Background Information

- 1. Without restricting the scope of any licence to exercise the Intellectual Property Rights in the Background Information that Canada may otherwise hold, the Contractor hereby grants to Canada a non-exclusive, perpetual, irrevocable, world-wide, fully-paid and royalty-free license to exercise such of the Intellectual Property Rights in any Background Information incorporated into the Work or necessary for the performance of the Work as may be required for the following purposes:
- (a) for the use, operation, maintenance, repair or overhaul of the Work;

- (b) in the manufacturing of spare parts for maintenance, repair or overhaul of any custom part of the Work by Canada if those parts are not reasonably available to enable timely maintenance, repair or overhaul:
- (c) for disclosure to any contractor engaged by Canada (or bidder for such a contract) to be used solely for a purpose set out in paragraph (a) or (b), but only if the Contractor is unable or unwilling to carry out the maintenance, repair or overhaul or provide the spare parts on reasonable commercial terms and within reasonable delivery times:

and the Contractor agrees to make any such Background Information (including, in the case of Software, source code) promptly available to Canada for any such purpose.

- 2. Without restricting the scope of any licence to exercise the Intellectual Property Rights in the Background Information that Canada may otherwise hold, the Contractor hereby further grants to Canada a non-exclusive, perpetual, irrevocable, world-wide, fully-paid and royalty-free license to exercise such of the Intellectual Property Rights in the Background Information incorporated into the Work or necessary for the performance of the Work as are necessary in order for Canada to modify, improve or further develop the Foreground Information. Canada's rights under this subsection 2 shall not include the right to reproduce the whole or part of any deliverable under the Contract that does not incorporate Foreground Information, save that Canada may reproduce any drawings, plans, designs, or other Background Information that are subject to copyright or industrial design protection, for purposes of modification, improvement or further development of the Foreground Information by or for Canada. The Contractor agrees to make any such Background Information (including, in the case of Software, source code) promptly available to Canada for any such purpose.
- 3. Notwithstanding subsections 1 and 2, the license set out therein shall not apply to any Software that is subject to detailed license conditions that are set out elsewhere in the Contract.
- 4. The Contractor acknowledges that, subject to paragraph (c) of subsection 1, Canada may wish to award contracts for any of the purposes contemplated in subsections 1 and 2 and that such contract awards may follow a competitive process. The Contractor agrees that Canada's license in relation to the Intellectual Property Rights in Background Information includes the right to disclose the Background Information to bidders for such contracts, and to sub-license or otherwise authorize the use of that information by any contractor engaged by Canada solely for the purpose of carrying out such a contract. Canada shall require bidders and the contractor not to use or disclose any Background Information except as may be necessary to bid for or to carry out that contract.
- 5. Where the Intellectual Property Rights in any Background Information are owned by a Subcontractor at any tier, the Contractor shall either obtain a license from that Subcontractor that permits compliance with subsections 1 and 2 or arrange for the Subcontractor to convey directly to Canada the same rights by execution of the form provided for that purpose by the Minister, in which case the Contractor shall deliver that form to the Minister, duly completed and executed by the Subcontractor, no later than the time of disclosure to Canada of that Background Information.

## 05 Right to License

The Contractor represents and warrants that the Contractor has, or the Contractor undertakes to obtain, the right to grant to Canada the license to exercise the Intellectual Property Rights in the Background Information as required by the Contract.

06 Access to Information; Exception to Contractor Rights

- 1. Subject to the Access to Information Act, R.S.C., c. A-1 and to any right of Canada under the Contract, Canada shall not release or disclose outside the Government of Canada any Background Information delivered to Canada under the Contract that is confidential information or a trade secret of the Contractor or a Subcontractor.
- 2. Nothing in these terms and conditions shall be construed as limiting Canada's right to exercise the Intellectual Property Rights in any Background Information, or to disclose any Background Information, to the extent that such information:
- (a) is or becomes in the public domain, or to the extent that the Contractor does not benefit from or ceases to benefit from any intellectual property rights protection for such information under legislation or at law (other than under the terms of the Contract), for any reason including as a result of Canada's use or disclosure of deliverables under the Contract for any purpose whatever that is not expressly excluded under the Contract;
- (b) is or becomes known to Canada from a source other than the Contractor, except from any source that is known to Canada to be under an obligation to the Contractor not to disclose the information;
- (c) is independently developed by or for Canada; or
- (d) is disclosed under compulsion of a legislative requirement or any order of a court or other tribunal having jurisdiction.

## 07 Waiver of Moral Rights

- 1. The Contractor shall provide to Canada, at the completion of the Work or at such other time as the Minister may require, a written permanent waiver of moral rights (as that term is defined in the *Copyright Act*, R.S.C., c. C-42), in a form acceptable to the Minister, from every author that contributed to any Foreground Information which is subject to copyright protection and which is deliverable to Canada under the terms of the Contract.
- 2. If the Contractor is an author of the Foreground Information referred to in subsection 1, the Contractor hereby permanently waives the Contractor's moral rights in that Foreground Information.

# 13 Site Regulations

The Contractor must comply will all rules, instructions and directives in force on the site where the Work is performed.

#### **Former Public Servant Certification**

Contracts with former public servants (FPS) in receipt of a pension or of a lump sum payment must bear the closest public scrutiny and reflect fairness in spending public funds. In order to comply with Treasury Board policies and directives on contracts with FPS, bidders must provide the information required below.

#### **Definitions**

For the purposes of this clause,

"former public servant" means a former member of a department as defined in the *Financial Administration Act*, R.S., 1985, c. F-11, a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces or a former member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and includes:

- (a) an individual;
- (b) an individual who has incorporated;
- (c) a partnership made up of former public servants; or
- (d) sole proprietorship or entity where the affected individual has a controlling or major interest in the entity.

"lump sum payment period" means the period measured in weeks of salary, for which payment has been made to facilitate the transition to retirement or to other employment as a result of the implementation of various programs to reduce the Public Service.

"pension" means a pension payable pursuant to the *Public Service Superannuation Act*, R.S., 1985, c. P-36, as indexed pursuant to the *Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act*, R.S., 1985, c. S-24.

#### Former Public Servant in Receipt of a Pension

| Is the | Bidde | r a FPS i | in i | receipt | of a | pension | as | defined | above |
|--------|-------|-----------|------|---------|------|---------|----|---------|-------|
| YES (  | )     | NO (      | (    | )       |      | -       |    |         |       |

If so, the Bidder must provide the following information:

- (a) name of former public servant;
- (b) date of termination of employment or retirement from the Public Service.

# **Work Force Reduction Program**

Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of a work force reduction program? **YES ( ) NO ( )** 

If so, the Bidder must provide the following information:

- (a) name of former public servant;
- (b) conditions of the lump sum payment incentive;
- (c) date of termination of employment;
- (d) amount of lump sum payment;
- (e) rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based;
- (f) period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks;

(g) number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of a work force reduction program.

For all contracts awarded during the lump sum payment period, the total amount of fee that may be paid to a FPS who received a lump sum payment is \$5,000, including the Goods and Services Tax or Harmonized Sales Tax.

# Certification

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the information submitted by the Bidder in response to the above requirements is accurate and complete.

## STATEMENT OF WORK

#### A1 ORGANIZATIONAL BACKGROUND

The Canada School of Public Service is the common learning service provider for the Public Service of Canada. It offers learning products and services that are relevant, accessible, and affordable for all federal public servants throughout Canada, in order to support development and learning needs of organizations.

The School contributes through learning, to building and maintaining a modern, high-quality, professional Public Service. The School is mandated to:

- encourage pride and excellence in Public Service;
- foster a sense of common purpose, values and traditions;
- · support common learning and development needs;
- assist deputy heads meet their organization's learning needs; and,
- pursue excellence in public sector management and public administration

The Canada School of Public Service addresses the corporate management and professional learning and development needs of executives, managers, supervisors and employees. To this end, it designs, develops and delivers knowledge-based classroom learning through calendar (open enrolment) courses, memoranda of understanding with departments and agencies, and customized services that respond to central agency requirements, specific departmental circumstances, or the needs of functional communities.

#### A2 PURPOSE

The Canada School of Public Service (CSPS) requires the services of a Contractor to qualify internal CSPS facilitators and course designers to develop and run workshops for leaders and managers in the Public Service in the area of adaptive leadership.

#### A3 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The Canada School of Public Service (CSPS) offers leadership development programs for leaders and aspiring leaders in the Public Service, as well as advice to intact management teams and/or senior management committees in the area of change and adaptation. Increasingly, leaders and managers are being asked to work in the domain of complexity and to show evidence of adaptive leadership in confronting challenges that are not resolvable by traditional management and leadership techniques.

The CSPS wishes to invest in its capacity to develop workshop materials and approaches, as well as advisory services, in the areas of complexity, wicked problems, and adaptive leadership. This material would be offered in two contexts: a) embedded in longer-term leadership development programs and b) as a service to senior management teams to help them increase their own capacity for adaptive leadership.

The contractor will be working with CSPS resources who have qualifications and experience as facilitators, organization development consultants and certified coaches.

#### A4 OBJECTIVE

The contractor will provide concepts, methods, approaches and tools so that qualified CSPS resources can develop and deliver leadership workshops in the areas of adaptive leadership and complexity, and integrate these concepts, methods, approaches and tools into their capacity-building practice with leaders in the Public Service.

#### A5 SCOPE OF WORK

The role of the contractor will be to increase the capacity of CSPS resources in the area of adaptive leadership and complexity in the following ways:

- To provide foundational training in complex adaptive systems, including concepts, methods, approaches and tools relating to adaptive leadership, complexity, and working with wicked problems; this would be provided to one cohort of up to 20 facilitators;
- To provide advanced action-learning facilitator training in the subject matter of the foundational training, so that facilitators can integrate adaptive leadership and complexity into their capacity-building practice, using case studies taken from the experience of CSPS participants and from the successful bidder; this training would take place with a maximum of 4 Action Learning Groups of up to five facilitators each;
- To provide a limited amount of post-qualification coaching and consultation to CSPS resources as they work with the new approaches, methods and materials (up to 10 days total);

**Level of effort required:** we estimate a level of effort of between 30 to 50 days to accomplish this work.

#### A6 WORK ENVIRONMENT

Work is to be performed on-site in the National Capital Region and by teleconference, Skype, videoconference or other long-distance communication as necessary.

## A7 DELIVERABLES AND TIMELINES

| Deliverable  | Due date         |
|--|------------------|
| Project Plan   | early Jan., 2014 |
| Qualifying workshop with CSPS resources <sup>1</sup> | Jan. 15, 2014    |
| Establishment of Action Learning Groups              | Feb. 15, 2013    |
| Post-qualification coaching                          | Feb. 15, 2014    |
| Summary meeting                                      | March 31, 2014   |

NOTE: dates are subject to changes without a formal amendment to the contractual agreement

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Workshop can be broken up into two parts with a practice assignment in between, if desired, or delivered as blended learning

# A8 Contractor's Role

In terms of the delivery of the course content and the facilitation of participant learning, the contractor's role is mainly two-fold:

- The contractor is responsible for providing electronic copies of all workshop materials, examples of curriculum, tools etc. in advance of any sessions scheduled;
- The contractor must specify a week in advance of any session their requirements for room set-up, equipment etc.

# A9 LANGUAGE

Deliverables shall be provided in English.

# A10 TRAVEL

No travel outside of the National Capital region is required

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The general conditions are addressed to any potential suppliers interested in doing business with the Canada School of Public Service and are incorporated in all contractual agreement issued by the Canada School of Public Service.

## **GC01 Interpretation**

In the Contract, unless the context otherwise requires:

"Applicable Taxes" means the Goods and Services Tax (GST), the Harmonized Sales Tax (HST), and any provincial tax, by law, payable by Canada such as, the Quebec Sales Tax (QST) as of April 1, 2013;

"Articles of Agreement" means the clauses and conditions incorporated in full text or incorporated by reference from the *Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions* Manual to form the body of the Contract; it does not include these general conditions, any supplemental general conditions, annexes, the Contractor's bid or any other document;

"Canada", "Crown", "Her Majesty", "the President" or "the Government" means Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada as represented by the President of the Treasury Board and any other person duly authorized to act on behalf of that President;

"Contract" means the Articles of Agreement, these general conditions, any supplemental general conditions, annexes and any other document specified or referred to as forming part of the Contract, all as amended by agreement of the Parties from time to time;

"Contracting Authority" means the person designated by that title in the Contract, or by notice to the Contractor, to act as Canada's representative to manage the Contract;

"Contractor" means the person, entity or entities named in the Contract to supply goods, services or both to Canada;

"Contract Price" means the amount stated in the Contract to be payable to the Contractor for the Work, exclusive of Applicable Taxes;

"Departmental Representative", "Technical Authority" or "Project Authority" means the person designated in the Contract, or by notice to the Contractor, to act as the representative of the President of the Treasury Board for the Work which is being carried out in matters concerning the technical aspects of the Work.

"Government Property" means anything supplied to the Contractor by or on behalf of Canada for the purposes of performing the Contract and anything acquired by the Contractor in any manner in connection with the Work, the cost of which is paid by Canada under the Contract;

"Party" means Canada, the Contractor, or any other signatory to the Contract and "Parties" means all of them:

"President" means President of the Treasury Board and any other person duly authorized to act on behalf of that President;

"Technical Documentation" means designs, reports, photographs, drawings, plans, specifications, computer software, surveys, calculations and other data, information and material collected, computed, drawn or produced, including computer print-outs,

"Total Estimated Cost", "Revised Estimated Cost", "Increase (Decrease)" on Page 1 of the Contract or Contract Amendment means an amount used for internal administrative purposes only that comprises the Contract Price, or the revised Contract Price, or the amount that would increase or decrease the Contract Price and the Applicable Taxes as evaluated by the Contracting Authority, and does not constitute tax advice on the part of Canada;

"Work" means all the activities, services, goods, equipment, matters and things required to be done, delivered or performed by the Contractor under the Contract.

#### **GC02 Standard Clauses and Conditions**

Pursuant to the *Department of Public Works and Government Services Act*, S.C. 1996, c. 16, the clauses and conditions identified by number, date and title in the Contract are incorporated by reference and form part of the Contract as though expressly set out in the Contract.

#### **GC03 Powers of Canada**

All rights, remedies, powers and discretions granted or acquired by Canada under the Contract or by law are cumulative, not exclusive.

#### GC04 Status of the Contractor

The Contractor is an independent contractor engaged by Canada to perform the Work. Nothing in the Contract is intended to create a partnership, a joint venture or an agency between Canada and the other Party or Parties. The Contractor must not represent itself as an agent or representative of Canada to anyone. Neither the Contractor nor any of its personnel is engaged as an employee or agent of Canada. The Contractor is responsible for all deductions and remittances required by law in relation to its employees.

#### **GC05 Conduct of the Work**

- 1. The Contractor represents and warrants that:
  - a. it is competent to perform the Work;
  - b. it has everything necessary to perform the Work, including the resources, facilities, labour, technology, equipment, and materials; and
  - c. it has the necessary qualifications, including knowledge, skill, know-how and experience, and the ability to use them effectively to perform the Work.
- 2. The Contractor must:
  - a. perform the Work diligently and efficiently;
  - except for Government Property, supply everything necessary to perform the Work;
  - use, as a minimum, quality assurance procedures, inspections and controls generally used and recognized by the industry to ensure the degree of quality required by the Contract;
  - d. select and employ a sufficient number of qualified people;
  - e. perform the Work in accordance with standards of quality acceptable to Canada and in full conformity with the specifications and all the requirements of the Contract:
  - provide effective and efficient supervision to ensure that the quality of workmanship meets the requirements of the Contract.
- 3. The Work must not be performed by any person who, in the opinion of Canada, is incompetent, unsuitable or has been conducting himself/herself improperly.
- 4 All services rendered under the Contract must, at the time of acceptance, be free from defects in workmanship and conform to the requirements of the Contract. If the Contractor is required to correct or replace the Work or any part of the Work, it will be at no cost to Canada.

- 5. Canada's facilities, equipment and personnel are not available to the Contractor to perform the Work unless the Contract specifically provides for it. The Contractor is responsible for advising the Contracting Authority in advance if it requires access to Canada's facilities, equipment or personnel to perform the Work. The Contractor must comply and ensure that its employees and subcontractors comply with all security measures, standing orders, policies or other rules in force at the site where the Work is performed.
- 6. Unless the Contracting Authority orders the Contractor to suspend the Work or part of the Work pursuant to section 26, the Contractor must not stop or suspend the Work or part of the Work pending the settlement of any dispute between the Parties about the Contract.
- The Contractor must provide all reports that are required by the Contract and any other information that Canada may reasonably require from time to time.
- 8. The Contractor is fully responsible for performing the Work. Canada will not be responsible for any negative consequences or extra costs if the Contractor follows any advice given by Canada unless the Contracting Authority provides the advice to the Contractor in writing and includes a statement specifically relieving the Contractor of any responsibility for negative consequences or extra costs that might result from following the advice.

#### **GC06 Subcontracts**

- Except as provided in subsection 2, the Contractor must obtain the Contracting
  Authority's written consent before subcontracting or permitting the subcontracting of any
  part of the Work. A subcontract includes a contract entered into by any subcontractor at
  any tier to perform any part of the Work.
- The Contractor is not required to obtain consent for subcontracts specifically authorized in the Contract. The Contractor may also without the consent of the Contracting Authority:
  - a. purchase "off-the-shelf" items and any standard articles and materials that are ordinarily produced by manufacturers in the normal course of business;
  - b. subcontract any portion of the Work as is customary in the carrying out of similar contracts; and;
  - c. c.permit its subcontractors at any tier to make purchases or subcontract as permitted in paragraphs (a) and (b).
- 3. In any subcontract other than a subcontract referred to in paragraph 2.(a), the Contractor must, unless the Contracting Authority agrees in writing, ensure that the subcontractor is bound by conditions compatible with and, in the opinion of the Contracting Authority, not less favourable to Canada than the conditions of the Contract.
- 4. Even if Canada consents to a subcontract, the Contractor is responsible for performing the Contract and Canada is not responsible to any subcontractor. The Contractor is responsible for any matters or things done or provided by any subcontractor under the Contract and for paying any subcontractors for any part of the Work they perform.

# **GC07 Specifications**

 All Specifications provided by Canada or on behalf of Canada to the Contractor in connection with the Contract, belongs to Canada and must be used by the Contractor only for the purpose of performing the Work.  If the Contract provides that Specifications provided furnished by the Contractor must be approved by Canada, that approval will not relieve the Contractor of its responsibility to meet all requirements of the Contract.

# **GC08** Replacement of Specific Individuals

- If specific individuals are identified in the Contract to perform the Work, the Contractor must provide the services of those individuals unless the Contractor is unable to do so for reasons beyond its control.
- 2. If the Contractor is unable to provide the services of any specific individual identified in the Contract, it must provide a replacement with similar qualifications and experience. The replacement must meet the criteria used in the selection of the Contractor and be acceptable to Canada. The Contractor must, as soon as possible, give notice to the Contracting Authority of the reason for replacing the individual and provide:
  - a) the name, qualifications and experience of the proposed replacement; and
  - b) proof that the proposed replacement has the required security clearance granted by Canada, if applicable.
- 3. The Contractor must not, in any event, allow performance of the Work by unauthorized replacement persons. The Contracting Authority may order that a replacement stop performing the Work. In such a case, the Contractor must immediately comply with the order and secure a further replacement in accordance with subsection 2 of this clause. The fact that the Contracting Authority does not order that a replacement stop performing the Work does not relieve the Contractor from its responsibility to meet the requirements of the Contract.

#### GC09 Time of the Essence

It is essential that the Work be performed within or at the time stated in the Contract.

#### **GC10 Excusable Delay**

- 1. A delay in the performance by the Contractor of any obligation under the Contract that is caused by an event that:
  - a. is beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor;
  - b. could not reasonably have been foreseen;
  - c. could not reasonably have been prevented by means reasonably available to the Contractor; and
  - d. occurred without the fault or neglect of the Contractor,

will be considered an "Excusable Delay" if the Contractor advises the Contracting Authority of the occurrence of the delay or of the likelihood of the delay as soon as the Contractor becomes aware of it. The Contractor must also advise the Contracting Authority, within fifteen (15) working days, of all the circumstances relating to the delay and provide to the Contracting Authority for approval a clear work around plan explaining in detail the steps that the Contractor proposes to take in order to minimize the impact of the event causing the delay.

- Any delivery date or other date that is directly affected by an Excusable Delay will be
  postponed for a reasonable time that will not exceed the duration of the Excusable
  Delay.
- 3. However, if an Excusable Delay has continued for thirty (30) days or more, the Contracting Authority may, by giving notice in writing to the Contractor, terminate the Contract. In such a case, the Parties agree that neither will make any claim against the other for damages, costs, expected profits or any other loss arising out of the termination or the event that contributed to the Excusable Delay. The Contractor agrees to repay immediately to Canada the portion of any advance payment that is unliquidated at the date of the termination.
- 4. Unless Canada has caused the delay by failing to meet an obligation under the Contract, Canada will not be responsible for any costs incurred by the Contractor or any of its subcontractors or agents as a result of an Excusable Delay.

# **GC11 Inspection and Acceptance of the Work**

- 1. All the Work is subject to inspection and acceptance by Canada. Inspection and acceptance of the Work by Canada do not relieve the Contractor of its responsibility for defects or other failures to meet the requirements of the Contract. Canada will have the right to reject any Work that is not in accordance with the requirements of the Contract and require its correction or replacement at the Contractor's expense.
- 2. The Contractor must provide representatives of Canada access to all locations where any part of the Work is being performed at any time during working hours. Representatives of Canada may make examinations and such tests of the Work as they may think fit. The Contractor must provide all assistance and facilities, test pieces, samples and documentation that the representatives of Canada may reasonably require for the carrying out of the inspection. The Contractor must forward such test pieces and samples to such person or location as Canada specifies.
- 3. The Contractor must inspect and approve any part of the Work before submitting it for acceptance or delivering it to Canada. The Contractor must keep accurate and complete inspection records that must be made available to Canada on request. Representatives of Canada may make copies and take extracts of the records during the performance of the Contract and for up to three (3) years after the end of the Contract.

#### **GC12 Invoice Submission**

- Invoices must be submitted in the Contractor's name. The Contractor must submit invoices for each delivery or shipment; invoices must only apply to the Contract. Each invoice must indicate whether it covers partial or final delivery.
- Invoices must show:
  - a. the date, the name and address of the client department, item or reference numbers, deliverable/description of the Work, contract number, details of expenditures (such as item, quantity, unit of issue, unit price, fixed time labour rates and level of effort, subcontracts, as applicable) in accordance with the Basis of Payment, exclusive of Applicable Taxes;
  - b. deduction for holdback, if applicable;
  - c. the extension of the totals, if applicable; and

- Applicable Taxes must be specified on all invoices as a separate item along with corresponding registration numbers from the tax authorities. All items that are zerorated, exempt or to which Applicable Taxes do not apply, must be identified as such on all invoices.
- 4. By submitting an invoice, the Contractor certifies that the invoice is consistent with the Work delivered and is in accordance with the Contract.

#### **GC13 Taxes**

- 1. Federal government departments and agencies are required to pay Applicable Taxes.
- Applicable Taxes will be paid by Canada as provided in the Invoice Submission section.
   It is the sole responsibility of the Contractor to charge Applicable Taxes at the correct rate in accordance with applicable legislation. The Contractor agrees to remit to appropriate tax authorities any amounts of Applicable Taxes paid or due.
- 3. The Contractor is not entitled to use Canada's exemptions from any tax, such as provincial sales taxes, unless otherwise specified by law. The Contractor must pay applicable provincial sales tax, ancillary taxes, and any commodity tax, on taxable goods or services used or consumed in the performance of the Contract (in accordance with applicable legislation), including for material incorporated into real property.
- 4. In those cases where Applicable Taxes, customs duties, and excise taxes are included in the Contract Price, the Contract Price will be adjusted to reflect any increase, or decrease, of Applicable Taxes, customs duties, and excise taxes that will have occurred between bid submission and contract award. However, there will be no adjustment for any change to increase the Contract Price if public notice of the change was given before bid submission date in sufficient detail to have permitted the Contractor to calculate the effect of the change.
- 5. Tax Withholding of 15 Percent Canada Revenue Agency

Pursuant to the *Income Tax Act*, 1985, c. 1 (5th Supp.) and the *Income Tax Regulations*, Canada must withhold 15 percent of the amount to be paid to the Contractor in respect of services provided in Canada if the Contractor is not a resident of Canada, unless the Contractor obtains a valid waiver from the *Canada Revenue Agency*. The amount withheld will be held on account for the Contractor in respect to any tax liability which may be owed to Canada.

# **GC14 Payment Period**

- 1. Canada's standard payment period is thirty (30) days. The payment period is measured from the date an invoice in acceptable form and content is received in accordance with the Contract or the date the Work is delivered in acceptable condition as required in the Contract, whichever is later. A payment is considered overdue on the 31st day following that date and interest will be paid automatically in accordance with the section 15.
- 2. If the content of the invoice and its substantiating documentation are not in accordance with the Contract or the Work is not in acceptable condition, Canada will notify the Contractor within fifteen (15) days of receipt. The 30-day payment period begins upon receipt of the revised invoice or the replacement or corrected Work. Failure by Canada to notify the Contractor within fifteen (15) days will only result in the date specified in subsection 1 to apply for the sole purpose of calculating interest on overdue accounts.

#### **GC15 Interest on Overdue Accounts**

For the purpose of this section:

"Average Rate" means the simple arithmetic mean of the Bank Rates in effect at 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time each day during the calendar month immediately before the calendar month in which payment is made;

"Bank Rate" means the rate of interest established from time to time by the Bank of Canada as the minimum rate at which the Bank of Canada makes short term advances to members of the Canadian Payments Association;

"date of payment" means the date of the negotiable instrument drawn by the Receiver General for Canada to pay any amount under the Contract;

an amount becomes "overdue" when it is unpaid on the first day following the day on which it is due and payable according to the Contract.

- Canada will pay to the Contractor simple interest at the Average Rate plus 3 percent per year on any amount that is overdue, from the date that amount becomes overdue until the day before the date of payment, inclusive. The Contractor is not required to provide notice to Canada for interest to be payable.
- Canada will pay interest in accordance with this section only if Canada is responsible
  for the delay in paying the Contractor. Canada will not pay interest on overdue advance
  payments.

#### **GC16 Compliance with Applicable Laws**

- The Contractor must comply with all laws applicable to the performance of the Contract.
   The Contractor must provide evidence of compliance with such laws to Canada at such times as Canada may reasonably request.
- The Contractor must obtain and maintain at its own cost all permits, licenses, regulatory
  approvals and certificates required to perform the Work. If requested by the Contracting
  Authority, the Contractor must provide a copy of any required permit, license, regulatory
  approvals or certificate to Canada.

## **GC17 Ownership**

- 1 Unless provided otherwise in the Contract, the Work or any part of the Work belongs to Canada after delivery and acceptance by or on behalf of Canada.
- However if any payment is made to the Contractor for or on account of any Work, either by way of progress or milestone payments, that work paid for by Canada belongs to Canada upon such payment being made. This transfer of ownership does not constitute acceptance by Canada of the Work or any part of the Work and does not relieve the Contractor of its obligation to perform the Work in accordance with the Contract.
- Despite any transfer of ownership, the Contractor is responsible for any loss or damage to the Work or any part of the Work until it is delivered to Canada in accordance with the Contract. Even after delivery, the Contractor remains responsible for any loss or damage to any part of the Work caused by the Contractor or any subcontractor.

4 Upon transfer of ownership to the Work or any part of the Work to Canada, the Contractor must, if requested by Canada, establish to Canada's satisfaction that the title is free and clear of all claims, liens, attachments, charges or encumbrances. The Contractor must execute any conveyances and other instruments necessary to perfect the title that Canada may require.

# **GC18 Copyright**

- In this section, "Material" means anything that is created by the Contractor as part of the Work under the Contract, that is required by the Contract to be delivered to Canada and in which copyright subsists. "Material" does not include anything created by the Contractor before the date of the Contract.
- Copyright in the Material belongs to Canada and the Contractor must include the copyright symbol and either of the following notice on the Material: © Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada (year) or © Sa Majesté la Reine du chef du Canada (année).
- The Contractor must not use, copy, divulge or publish any Material except as is necessary to perform the Contract. The Contractor must execute any conveyance and other documents relating to copyright in the Material as Canada may require.
- 4. The Contractor must provide at the request of Canada a written permanent waiver of moral rights, in a form acceptable to Canada, from every author that contributed to the Material. If the Contractor is the author of the Material, the Contractor permanently waives its moral rights in the Material.

#### **GC19 Translation of Documentation**

The Contractor agrees that Canada may translate in the other official language any documentation delivered to Canada by the Contractor that does not belong to Canada under section 17. The Contractor acknowledges that Canada owns the translation and that it is under no obligation to provide any translation to the Contractor. Canada agrees that any translation must include any copyright notice and any proprietary right notice that was part of the original. Canada acknowledges that the Contractor is not responsible for any technical errors or other problems that may arise as a result of the translation.

#### **GC20 Confidentiality**

- The Contractor must keep confidential all information provided to the Contractor by or on behalf of Canada in connection with the Work, including any information that is confidential or proprietary to third parties, and all information conceived, developed or produced by the Contractor as part of the Work when copyright or any other intellectual property rights in such information belongs to Canada under the Contract. The Contractor must not disclose any such information without the written permission of the appropriate authorized Government of Canada representative. The Contractor may disclose to a subcontractor any information necessary to perform the subcontract as long as the subcontractor agrees to keep the information confidential and that it will be used only to perform the subcontract.
- 2. The Contractor agrees to use any information provided to the Contractor by or on behalf of Canada only for the purpose of the Contract. The Contractor acknowledges that all this information remains the property of Canada or the third party, as the case may be. Unless provided otherwise in the Contract, the Contractor must deliver to the designated and authorized Government of Canada representative all such information, together with every copy, draft, working paper and note that contains such information, upon completion or termination of the Contract or at such earlier time as Canada may require.

- Subject to the Access to Information Act, R.S., 1985, c. A-1, and to any right of Canada under the Contract to release or disclose, Canada must not release or disclose outside the Government of Canada any information delivered to Canada under the Contract that is proprietary to the Contractor or a subcontractor.
- 4. The obligations of the Parties set out in this section do not apply to any information if the information:
  - a) is publicly available from a source other than the other Party; or
  - is or becomes known to a Party from a source other than the other Party, except any source that is known to be under an obligation to the other Party not to disclose the information; or
  - c) is developed by a Party without use of the information of the other Party.
- 5. Wherever possible, the Contractor must mark or identify any proprietary information delivered to Canada under the Contract as "Property of (Contractor's name), permitted Government uses defined under Canada School of Public Service (CSPS) Contract No. (fill in Contract Number)". Canada will not be liable for any unauthorized use or disclosure of information that could have been so marked or identified and was not.
- 6. If the Contract, the Work, or any information referred to in subsection 1 is identified as TOP SECRET, SECRET, CONFIDENTIAL, or PROTECTED by Canada, the Contractor must at all times take all measures reasonably necessary for the safeguarding of the material so identified, including those set out in the PWGSC Industrial Security Manual and its supplements and any other instructions issued by Canada.
- 7. If the Contract, the Work, or any information referred to in subsection 1 is identified as TOP SECRET, SECRET, CONFIDENTIAL, or PROTECTED, by Canada; representatives of Canada are entitled to inspect the Contractor's premises and the premises of a subcontractor at any tier for security purposes at any time during the term of the Contract. The Contractor must comply with, and ensure that any subcontractor complies with, all written instructions issued by Canada dealing with the material so identified, including any requirement that employees of the Contractor or of any subcontractor execute and deliver declarations relating to reliability screenings, security clearances and other procedures.

# **GC21 Government Property**

- All Government Property must be used by the Contractor solely for the purpose of the Contract and remains the property of Canada. The Contractor must maintain adequate accounting records of all Government Property and, whenever feasible, mark it as being the property of Canada.
- 2 The Contractor must take reasonable and proper care of all Government Property while it is in its possession or subject to its control. The Contractor is responsible for any loss or damage resulting from its failure to do so other than loss or damage caused by ordinary wear and tear.
- 3 All Government Property, unless it is installed or incorporated in the Work, must be returned to Canada on demand. All scrap and all waste materials, articles or things that

- are Government Property must, unless provided otherwise in the Contract, remain the property of Canada and must be disposed of only as directed by Canada.
- 4 At the time of completion of the Contract, and if requested by the Contracting Authority, the Contractor must provide to Canada an inventory of all Government Property relating to the Contract.

# **GC22 Liability**

The Contractor is liable for any damage caused by the Contractor, its employees, subcontractors, or agents to Canada or any third party. Canada is liable for any damage caused by Canada, its employees or agents to the Contractor or any third party. The Parties agree that no limitation of liability or indemnity provision applies to the Contract unless it is specifically incorporated in full text in the Articles of Agreement. Damage includes any injury to persons (including injury resulting in death) or loss of or damage to property (including real property) caused as a result of or during the performance of the Contract.

# **GC23 Intellectual Property Infringement and Royalties**

- The Contractor represents and warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, neither it nor Canada will infringe any third party's intellectual property rights in performing or using the Work, and that Canada will have no obligation to pay royalties of any kind to anyone in connection with the Work.
- 2. If anyone makes a claim against Canada or the Contractor concerning Intellectual Property infringement or royalties related to the Work, that Party agrees to notify the other Party in writing immediately. If anyone brings a claim against Canada, according to Department of Justice Act, R.S., 1985, c. J-2, the Attorney General of Canada must have the regulation and conduct of all litigation for or against Canada, but the Attorney General may request that the Contractor defend Canada against the claim. In either case, the Contractor agrees to participate fully in the defense and any settlement negotiations and to pay all costs, damages and legal costs incurred or payable as a result of the claim, including the amount of any settlement. Both Parties agree not to settle any claim unless the other Party first approves the settlement in writing.
- The Contractor has no obligation regarding claims that were only made because:
  - Canada modified the Work or part of the Work without the Contractor's consent or used the Work or part of the Work without following a requirement of the Contract; or
  - Canada used the Work or part of the Work with a product that the Contractor did not supply under the Contract (unless that use is described in the Contract or the manufacturer's specifications); or
  - The Contractor used equipment, drawings, specifications or other information supplied to the Contractor by Canada (or by someone authorized by Canada); or
  - d. The Contractor used a specific item of equipment or software that it obtained because of specific instructions from the Contracting Authority; however, this exception only applies if the Contractor has included the following language in its own contract with the supplier of that equipment or software:"[Supplier name] acknowledges that the purchased items will be used by the Government of Canada. If a third party claims that equipment or software supplied under this contract infringes any intellectual property right, [supplier name], if requested to do

so by either [Contractor name] or Canada, will defend both [Contractor name] and Canada against that claim at its own expense and will pay all costs, damages and legal fees payable as a result of that infringement." Obtaining this protection from the supplier is the Contractor's responsibility and, if the Contractor does not do so, it will be responsible to Canada for the claim.

- 4. If anyone claims that, as a result of the Work, the Contractor or Canada is infringing its intellectual property rights, the Contractor must immediately do one of the following:
  - take whatever steps are necessary to allow Canada to continue to use the allegedly infringing part of the Work; or
  - modify or replace the Work to avoid intellectual property infringement, while
    ensuring that the Work continues to meet all the requirements of the Contract; or
  - take back the Work and refund any part of the Contract Price that Canada has already paid.

If the Contractor determines that none of these alternatives can reasonably be achieved, or if the Contractor fails to take any of these steps within a reasonable amount of time, Canada may choose either to require the Contractor to do (section 4 c.) or to take whatever steps are necessary to acquire the rights to use the allegedly infringing part(s) of the Work itself, in which case the Contractor must reimburse Canada for all the costs it incurs to do so.

#### **GC24 Amendment and Waivers**

- 1. To be effective, any amendment to the Contract must be done in writing by the Contracting Authority and the authorized representative of the Contractor.
- While the Contractor may discuss any proposed modifications to the Work with other representatives of Canada, Canada will not be responsible for the cost of any modification unless it has been incorporated into the Contract in accordance with subsection 1.
- A waiver will only be valid, binding or affect the rights of the Parties if it is made in writing by, in the case of a waiver by Canada, the Contracting Authority and, in the case of a waiver by the Contractor, the authorized representative of the Contractor.
- 4. The waiver by a Party of a breach of any condition of the Contract will not be treated or interpreted as a waiver of any subsequent breach and therefore will not prevent that Party from enforcing of that term or condition in the case of a subsequent breach.

# **GC25 Assignment**

- The Contractor must not assign the Contract without first obtaining the written consent
  of the Contracting Authority. Any assignment made without that consent is void and will
  have no effect. The assignment will be effective upon execution of an assignment
  agreement signed by the Parties and the assignee.
- Assignment of the Contract does not relieve the Contractor from any obligation under the Contract and it does not impose any liability upon Canada.

#### **GC26 Suspension of the Work**

 The Contracting Authority may at any time, by written notice, order the Contractor to suspend or stop the Work or part of the Work under the Contract. The Contractor must immediately comply with any such order in a way that minimizes the cost of doing so. While such an order is in effect, the Contractor must not remove any part of the Work from any premises without first obtaining the written consent of the Contracting Authority. Within these one hundred eighty (180) days, the Contracting Authority must either cancel the order or terminate the Contract, in whole or in part, under section 27 or section 28.

- 2. When an order is made under subsection 1, unless the Contracting Authority terminates the Contract by reason of default by the Contractor or the Contractor abandons the Contract, the Contractor will be entitled to be paid its additional costs incurred as a result of the suspension plus a fair and reasonable profit.
- When an order made under subsection 1 is cancelled, the Contractor must resume work in accordance with the Contract as soon as practicable. If the suspension has affected the Contractor's ability to meet any delivery date under the Contract, the date for performing the part of the Work affected by the suspension will be extended for a period equal to the period of suspension plus a period, if any, that in the opinion of the Contracting Authority, following consultation with the Contractor, is necessary for the Contractor to resume the Work. Any equitable adjustments will be made as necessary to any affected conditions of the Contract.

#### **GC27 Default by the Contractor**

- 1. If the Contractor is in default in carrying out any of its obligations under the Contract, the Contracting Authority may, by giving written notice to the Contractor, terminate for default the Contract or part of the Contract. The termination will take effect immediately or at the expiration of a cure period specified in the notice, if the Contractor has not cured the default to the satisfaction of the Contracting Authority within that cure period.
- 2. If the Contractor becomes bankrupt or insolvent, makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or takes the benefit of any statute relating to bankrupt or insolvent debtors, or if a receiver is appointed under a debt instrument or a receiving order is made against the Contractor, or an order is made or a resolution passed for the winding down of the Contractor, the Contracting Authority may, to the extent permitted by the laws of Canada, by giving written notice to the Contractor, immediately terminate for default the Contract or part of the Contract.
- 3. If Canada gives notice under subsection 1 or 2, the Contractor will have no claim for further payment except as provided in this section. The Contractor will be liable to Canada for all losses and damages suffered by Canada because of the default or occurrence upon which the notice was based, including any increase in the cost incurred by Canada in procuring the Work from another source. The Contractor agrees to repay immediately to Canada the portion of any advance payment that is unliquidated at the date of the termination.

# **GC28 Termination for Convenience**

1. At any time before the completion of the Work, the Contracting Authority may, by giving notice in writing to the Contractor, terminate for convenience the Contract or part of the Contract. Once such a notice of termination for convenience is given, the Contractor must comply with the requirements of the termination notice. If the Contract is terminated in part only, the Contractor must proceed to complete any part of the Work that is not affected by the termination notice. The termination will take effect immediately or, as the case may be, at the time specified in the termination notice.

- 2. If a termination notice is given pursuant to subsection 1, the Contractor will be entitled to be paid, for costs that have been reasonably and properly incurred to perform the Contract to the extent that the Contractor has not already been paid or reimbursed by Canada. The Contractor will be paid:
  - a. on the basis of the Contract Price, for all completed work that is inspected and accepted in accordance with the Contract, whether completed before, or after the termination in accordance with the instructions contained in the termination notice:
  - b. the Cost to the Contractor plus a fair and reasonable profit for all work terminated by the termination notice before completion; and
  - c. all costs incidental to the termination of the Work incurred by the Contractor but not including the cost of severance payments or damages to employees whose services are no longer required, except wages that the Contractor is obligated by statute to pay.
- Canada may reduce the payment in respect of any part of the Work, if upon inspection, it does not meet the requirements of the Contract.
- 4. The total of the amounts, to which the Contractor is entitled to be paid under this section, together with any amounts paid, due or becoming due to the Contractor must not exceed the Contract Price. The Contractor will have no claim for damages, compensation, loss of profit, allowance arising out of any termination notice given by Canada under this section except to the extent that this section expressly provides. The Contractor agrees to repay immediately to Canada the portion of any advance payment that is unliquidated at the date of the termination.

#### **GC29 Accounts and Audits**

- The Contractor must keep proper accounts and records of the cost of performing the Work and of all expenditures or commitments made by the Contractor in connection with the Work, including all invoices, receipts and vouchers. The Contractor must retain records, including bills of lading and other evidence of transportation or delivery, for all deliveries made under the Contract.
- If the Contract includes payment for time spent by the Contractor, its employees, representatives, agents or subcontractors performing the Work, the Contractor must keep a record of the actual time spent each day by each individual performing any part of the Work.
- 3. Unless Canada has consented in writing to its disposal, the Contractor must retain all the information described in this section for six (6) years after it receives the final payment under the Contract, or until the settlement of all outstanding claims and disputes, whichever is later. During this time, the Contractor must make this information available for audit, inspection and examination by the representatives of Canada, who may make copies and take extracts. The Contractor must provide all reasonably required facilities for any audit and inspection and must furnish all the information as the representatives of Canada may from time to time require to perform a complete audit of the Contract.
- 4. The amount claimed under the contract, calculated in accordance with the Basis of Payment provision in the Purchase Order, is subject to government audit both before and after payment is made. If an audit is performed after payment, the Contractor agrees to repay any overpayment immediately on demand by Canada. Canada may hold back, deduct and set off any credits owing and unpaid under this section from any money that Canada owes to the Contractor at any time (including under other contracts). If Canada does not choose to exercise this right at any given time, Canada does not lose this right.

# GC30 Right of Set-off

Without restricting any right of set-off given by law, Canada may set-off against any amount payable to the Contractor under the Contract, any amount payable to Canada by the Contractor under the Contract or under any other current contract. Canada may, when making a payment pursuant to the Contract, deduct from the amount payable to the Contractor any such amount payable to Canada by the Contractor which, by virtue of the right of set-off, may be retained by Canada.

#### **GC31 Notice**

Any notice under the Contract shall be in writing and may be delivered by hand or by courier, by registered mail, or by facsimile or other electronic means that provides a paper record of the text of the notice, addressed to the Party for whom it is intended at the address in the Contract or at the last address of which the sender has received notice in accordance with this section. Any notice shall be deemed to be effective on the day it is received at that address.

#### GC32 Conflict of Interest and Values and Ethics Codes for the Public Service

The Contractor acknowledges that individuals who are subject to the provisions of the *Conflict of Interest Act*, 2006, c. 9, s. 2, the Conflict of Interest Code for Members of the House of Commons, the Values and Ethics Code for the Public Service or all other codes of values and ethics applicable within specific organizations cannot derive any direct benefit resulting from the Contract.

#### **GC33 No Bribe or Conflict**

- The Contractor declares that no bribe, gift, benefit, or other inducement has been or will be paid, given, promised or offered directly or indirectly to any official or employee of Canada or to a member of the family of such a person, with a view to influencing the entry into the Contract or the administration of the Contract.
- 2. The Contractor must not influence, seek to influence or otherwise take part in a decision of Canada knowing that the decision might further its private interest. The Contractor must have no financial interest in the business of a third party that causes or would appear to cause a conflict of interest in connection with the performance of its obligations under the Contract. If such a financial interest is acquired during the period of the Contract, the Contractor must immediately declare it to the Contracting Authority.
- 3. The Contractor warrants that, to the best of its knowledge after making diligent inquiry, no conflict exists or is likely to arise in the performance of the Contract. In the event the Contractor becomes aware of any matter that causes or is likely to cause a conflict in relation to the Contractor's performance under the Contract, the Contractor must immediately disclose such matter to the Contracting Authority in writing.
- 4. If the Contracting Authority is of the opinion that a conflict exists as a result of the Contractor's disclosure or as a result of any other information brought to the Contracting Authority's attention, the Contracting Authority may require the Contractor to take steps to resolve or otherwise deal with the conflict or, at its entire discretion, terminate the Contract for default. Conflict means any matter, circumstance, interest, or activity affecting the Contractor, its personnel or subcontractors, which may appear or may impair the ability of the Contractor to perform the Work diligently and independently.

#### **GC34 SURVIVAL**

ALL THE PARTIES' OBLIGATIONS OF CONFIDENTIALITY, REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES SET OUT IN THE CONTRACT AS WELL AS THE PROVISIONS, WHICH BY THE NATURE OF THE RIGHTS OR OBLIGATIONS MIGHT REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO SURVIVE, WILL SURVIVE THE EXPIRY OR TERMINATION OF THE CONTRACT.

GC35 SEVERABILITY

If any provision of the Contract is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, that provision will be removed from the Contract without affecting any other provision of the Contract.

#### **GC36 Successors and Assigns**

The Contract is to the benefit of and binds the successors and permitted assignees of Canada and of the Contractor.

# **GC37 Contingency Fees**

The Contractor certifies that it has not, directly or indirectly, paid or agreed to pay and agrees that it will not, directly or indirectly, pay a contingency fee for the solicitation, negotiation or obtaining of the Contract to any person, other than an employee of the Contractor acting in the normal course of the employee's duties. In this section, "contingency fee" means any payment or other compensation that depends or is calculated based on a degree of success in soliciting, negotiating or obtaining the Contract and "person" includes any individual who is required to file a return with the registrar pursuant to section 5 of the *Lobbying Act*, 1985, c. 44 (4<sup>th</sup> Supplement).

#### **GC38 International Sanctions**

- Persons in Canada, and Canadians outside of Canada, are bound by economic sanctions imposed by Canada. As a result, the Government of Canada cannot accept delivery of goods or services that originate, either directly or indirectly, from the countries or persons subject to economic sanctions.
- The Contractor must not supply to the Government of Canada any goods or services which are subject to economic sanctions.
- 3. The Contractor must comply with changes to the regulations imposed during the period of the Contract. The Contractor must immediately advise Canada if it is unable to perform the Work as a result of the imposition of economic sanctions against a country or person or the addition of a good or service to the list of sanctioned goods or services. If the Parties cannot agree on a work around plan, the Contract will be terminated for the convenience of Canada in accordance with section 28

# **GC39 Code of Conduct and Certifications - Contract**

- The Contractor agrees to comply with the Code of Conduct for Procurement and to be bound by its terms. In addition to complying with the Code of Conduct for Procurement, the Contractor must also comply with the terms set out in this section.
- 2. The Contractor further understands that, to ensure fairness, openness and transparency in the procurement process, the commission of certain acts or offences may result in a termination for default under the Contract. If the Contractor made a false declaration in its bid, makes a false declaration under the Contract, fails to diligently maintain up to date the information herein requested, or if the Contractor or any of the Contractor's affiliates fail to remain free and clear of any acts or convictions specified herein during the period

of the Contract, such false declaration or failure to comply may result in a termination for default under the Contract. The Contractor understands that a termination for default will not restrict Canada's right to exercise any other remedies that may be available against the Contractor and agrees to immediately return any advance payments.

- For the purpose of this section, everyone, including but not limited to organizations, bodies corporate, societies, companies, firms, partnerships, associations of persons, parent companies and subsidiaries, whether partly or wholly-owned, as well as individuals and directors, are Contractor's affiliates if:
  - a. directly or indirectly either one controls or has the power to control the other, or
  - b. a third party has the power to control both.

Indicia of control, include, but are not limited to, interlocking management or ownership, identity of interests among family members, shared facilities and equipment, common use of employees, or a business entity created following the acts or convictions specified in this section which has the same or similar management, ownership, or principal employees, as the case may be.

- 4. The Contractor must diligently maintain an up-to-date list of names by informing Canada in writing of any change occurring during the period of the contract. The Contractor must also, when so requested, provide Canada with the corresponding Consent Forms.
- 5. The Contractor certifies that it is aware, and that its affiliates are aware, that Canada may verify the information provided by the Contractor, including the information relating to the acts or convictions specified herein through independent research, use of any government resources or by contacting third parties.
- 6. The Contractor certifies that neither the Contractor nor any of the Contractor's affiliates have directly or indirectly, paid or agreed to pay, and will not, directly or indirectly, pay a contingency fee to any individual for the solicitation, negotiation or obtaining of the Contract if the payment of the fee would require the individual to file a return under section 5 of the Lobbying Act.
- 7. The Contractor certifies that no one convicted under any of the provisions under a) or b) are to receive any benefit under the contract. In addition, the Contractor certifies that except for those offences where a criminal pardon or a record suspension has been obtained or capacities restored by the Governor in Council, neither the Contractor nor any of the Contractor's affiliates has ever been convicted of an offence under any of the following provisions:
  - a. paragraph 80(1)(d) (False entry, certificate or return), subsection 80(2) (Fraud against Her Majesty) or section 154.01 (Fraud against Her Majesty) of the Financial Administration Act, or
  - section 121 (Frauds on the government and Contractor subscribing to election fund), section 124 (Selling or Purchasing Office), section 380 (Fraud) for fraud committed against Her Majesty or section 418 (Selling defective stores to Her Majesty) of the *Criminal Code of Canada*, or
  - section 462.31 (Laundering proceeds of crime) or sections 467.11 to 467.13 (Participation in activities of criminal organization) of the *Criminal Code of Canada*. or
  - d. section 45 (Conspiracies, agreements or arrangements between competitors), 46 (Foreign directives) 47 (Bid rigging), 49 (Agreements or arrangements of federal financial institutions), 52 (False or misleading representation), 53 (Deceptive notice of winning a prize) under the Competition Act, or
  - e. section 239 (False or deceptive statements) of the Income Tax Act, or
  - f. section 327 (False or deceptive statements) of the Excise Tax Act, or
  - g. section 3 (Bribing a foreign public official) of the Corruption of Foreign Public Officials Act. or

h. section 5 (Trafficking in substance), section 6 (Importing and exporting), or section 7 (Production of substance) of the Controlled Drugs and Substance Act.

# GC40 Harassment in the Workplace

- The Contractor acknowledges the responsibility of Canada to ensure, for its employees, a healthy work environment, free of harassment. A copy of the Policy on Harassment Prevention and Resolution, which is also applicable to the Contractor, is available on the Treasury Board Web site.
- 2. The Contractor must not, either as an individual, or as a corporate or unincorporated entity, through its employees or subcontractors, harass, abuse, threaten, discriminate against or intimidate any employee, contractor or other individual employed by, or under contract with Canada. The Contractor will be advised in writing of any complaint and will have the right to respond in writing. Upon receipt of the Contractor's response, the Contracting Authority will, at its entire discretion, determine if the complaint is founded and decide on any action to be taken.

# **GC41 Entire Agreement**

The Contract constitutes the entire and only agreement between the Parties and supersedes all previous negotiations, communications and other agreements, whether written or oral, unless they are incorporated by reference in the Contract. There are no terms, covenants, representations, statements or conditions binding on the Parties other than those contained in the Contract.

#### **GC42 Access to Information**

Records created by the Contractor, and under the control of Canada, are subject to the *Access to Information Act*. The Contractor acknowledges the responsibilities of Canada under the *Access to Information Act* and must, to the extent possible, assist Canada in discharging these responsibilities. Furthermore, the Contractor acknowledges that section 67.1 of the *Access to Information Act* provides that any person, who destroys, alters, falsifies or conceals a record, or directs anyone to do so, with the intent of obstructing the right of access that is provided by the *Access to Information Act* is guilty of an offence and is liable to imprisonment or a fine, or both.

# **GC43 Dispute Resolution**

- In the event of a dispute arising under the terms of this Contract, the Parties agree to
  make a good faith attempt to settle the dispute. In the event that the Parties could not
  resolve the dispute through negotiation, they agree to submit the dispute to mediation.
  The Parties will share the cost of mediation equally. In the event that one or more issues
  remain in dispute following completion of the mediation, then the Parties agree to submit
  those issues to binding arbitration pursuant to the Commercial Arbitration Act.
- 2. The parties understand that the Procurement Ombudsman appointed pursuant to Subsection 22.1(1) of the *Department of Public Works and Government Services Act* will, on request, and consent of the parties, to participate in an alternative dispute resolution process to resolve any dispute between the parties respecting the interpretation or application of a term and condition of this contract and their consent to bear the cost of such process, provide to the parties a proposal for an alternative dispute resolution process to resolve their dispute. The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman may be contacted by telephone at 1-866-734-5169 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:boa.opo@boa.opo.gc.ca">boa.opo.gc.ca</a>.

#### **GC44 Security and Protection of Work**

- Notwithstanding the Validity Date of the Contract, it is a precondition of the Contract that the Contractor and his personnel have a Security Clearance at the level designated for Work assignment for the full length of the Contract. The Contractor shall take all reasonable steps necessary to ensure that its performance of the Work, in accordance with the provisions of the Contract, adheres to all requirements of this Security Clearance level. The Ministry may, at any time, conduct an examination of the Contractor's premises, documents and records to verify whether the Contractor is complying with the security requirements of the Contract.
- Subject to subsection 3, the Contractor and his personnel shall treat as confidential and shall not disclose, during as well as after the performance of the Work, any information to which the Contractor becomes privy as a result of the Contract and which has not been approved for release to the public.
- 3. The Contractor and his personnel shall not speak on nor disseminate in any manner to the public, any information in relation to the Contract, including, but not limited to reports, data, findings or conclusions arising from the Contract, without the prior written permission of the Departmental Representative.
- 4. The Contractor and his personnel shall forthwith remedy any breach of the Contract Security and Protection of Work provisions, in accordance with the President's instructions, failing which the Departmental Representative shall have the right to terminate the Contract for default of the Contractor in accordance with subection 27.
- The Contractor and his personnel should be familiar with the contents of the Security of Information Act and the Public Work Government Services Canada Industrial Security Manual.
  - a) Canadian & International Industrial Security Directorate Industrial Security Manual
  - b) Justice Canada Security of Information Act

# **GC45 Public Disclosure of Basic Information**

The contractor consents, in the case of a contract that has a value in excess of \$10,000, to the public disclosure of basic information - other than information described in any of paragraphs 20(1)(a) to (d) of the Access to Information Act - relating to the contract.

# **GC46 Indemnification**

- The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless Canada, the President and their servants and agents from and against any damages, costs or expenses or any claim, action, suit or other proceeding which they or any of them may at any time incur or suffer as a result of or arising out of:
  - a) any injury to persons (including injuries resulting in death) or loss of or damage to property of others which may be or be alleged to be caused by or suffered as a result of the performance of the Work or any part thereof, except that Canada and the President shall not claim indemnity under this section to the extent that the injury, loss or damage has been caused by Canada; and
  - any seizure, attachments, charges or other encumbrances or claims upon or in respect of any materials, parts, work-in-process or finished work furnished to, or in respect of which any payment has been made by Canada.

The President shall give notice to the Contractor of any claim, action, suit or proceeding referred to in subsection 1 and the Contractor shall, to the extent requested by the Attorney General of Canada, at its own expense participate in or conduct the defense of any such claim, action, suit or proceeding and any negotiations for settlement of the same, but the Contractor shall not be liable to indemnify Canada for payment of any settlement unless it has consented to the settlement.

#### **GC47 Public Disclosure of Contracts with Former Public Servants**

By providing information on its status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a Public Service Superannuation Act (PSSA) pension, the Contractor has agreed that this information will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports, in accordance with Contracting Policy Notice: 2012-2 of the Treasury Board Secretariat of Canada.

#### 1. GC48 PRIORITY OF DOCUMENTS

In the event of discrepancies or conflicts between these General Conditions and anything in the other documents making up the Contract, the General Conditions govern.

#### **GC49 Unauthorized Codes**

- The Contractor warrants that any data or software provided to the President under this Contract will not contain any unauthorized code, whether or not through fault or negligence of the Contractor.
- Without limiting the application of SectionGC19, in the event that the President suffers
  any damages resulting from the presence of any unauthorized code, the Contractor shall
  be liable for all costs and expenses incurred by the President to restore the system to its
  original condition.







#### **ANNEX D SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS**

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#### ANNEX G SUPPLEMENTAL CONDITIONS

#### **SC01 Former Public Servants**

It is a term of the Contract:

- a) that the Contractor has declared to the Departmental Representative whether the Contractor has received a lump sum payment made pursuant to any work force reduction program, including but not limited to the Work Force Adjustment Directive or the Executive **Employment Transition Program**;
- b) that the Contractor has informed the Departmental Representative of the terms and conditions of that work force reduction program, pursuant to which the Contractor was made a lump sum payment, including the termination date, the amount of the lump sum payment and the rate of pay on which the lump sum payment was based; and
- that the Contractor has declared to the Departmental Representative whether the Contractor his in receipt of a pension paid pursuant to the Public Service Superannuation Act as indexed by the Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act.

# SC02 T1204 Supplementary Slip

Pursuant to paragraph 221(1)(d) of the Income Tax Act, payments made by departments and agencies under applicable service contracts must be reported on a T1204 supplementary slip. To comply with this requirement, the Contractor must complete the Contractor Certification form prescribed by Canada School of Public Service.

#### SC03 Definition of a day

A day is defined as 7.5 hours exclusive of meal breaks. Payment shall be for days actually worked with no provision for annual leave, statutory holidays and sick leave. Time worked which is more or less than a day shall be prorated to reflect actual time worked in accordance with the following formula:

Hours worked X (firm per diem rate /7.5 hours)

### SC04 Schedule and Location of Work

Where the work is to be performed in the offices of the CSPS, the Contractor shall, for better coordination, follow the same time schedule as applicable to employees of the CSPS.

The schedule and location of work will be set forth in the Statement of Work.

#### SC05 Closure of Government Offices



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Where Contractor's employees are providing services on government premises under this Contract and the said premises become non accessible due to evacuation or closure of government offices, and consequently no Work is being performed as a result of the closure, Canada will not be liable for payment to the Contractor for the period of closure.

# **SC06 Contract Administration**

The parties understand that the Procurement Ombudsman appointed pursuant to Subsection 22.1(1) of the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act will review a complaint filed by the Contractor respecting administration of this contract if the requirements of Subsection 22.2(1) of the Department of Public Works and Government Services Act and Sections 15 and 16 of the Procurement Ombudsman Regulations have been met, and the interpretation and application of the terms and conditions and the scope of the work of this contract are not in dispute. The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman may be contacted by telephone at 1-866-734-5169 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:boa.opo@boa.opo.gc.ca">boa.opo@boa.opo.gc.ca</a>.