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**SOLICITATION AMENDMENT
MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION**

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

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AMENDMENT NO. 002

This amendment is raised to revise the RFP and to answer bidders' questions.

RFP REVISIONS:

Revision No. 2

At Annex A Statement of Work, article 5.1:

Delete:

The Contractor must provide methodologies, tools, processes, technical capabilities, solutions and a team of qualified resources, as and when requested, to:

Insert:

The Contractor must provide methodologies, tools, processes, technical capabilities, and a team of qualified resources, as and when requested, to:

Revision No. 3

At Part 2 – Bidder Instructions, 2.1 Standard Instructions, Clauses and Conditions, article (c):

Delete: 2003 (2019-03-04)

Insert: 2003 (2020-05-28)

Revision No. 4

At Part 4 – Evaluation Procedures and Basis of Selection, 4.1.1 Phased Bid Compliance Process, 4.1.1.1

General, article (d):

Delete: 2003 (2018-06-04)

Insert: 2003 (2020-05-28)

Revision No. 5

At 7.4 Standard Clauses and Conditions, (a) General Conditions, article (i):

Delete: 2035 (2018-06-21)

Insert: 2035 (2020-05-28)

Revision No. 6

At 7.14 Priority of Documents, article (c):

Delete: 2035 (2018-06-21)

Insert: 2035 (2020-05-28)

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question 5:

Some elements of the statement of work appear to be contradictory particularly 4. Scope of Work which indicates that "The Contractor must provide informatics professional services to IRCC on an 'as and when' requested basis as initiated through Task Authorizations (TAs)." and 5.1 Overview which indicates that "The Contractor must provide methodologies, tools, processes, technical capabilities, solutions and a team of qualified resources, as and when requested" we are requesting clarification to assist vendors in determining whether it is appropriate to compete on this solicitation. Would the Crown please confirm that as this solicitation has been released under the TBIPS vehicle, which is a resource based vehicle, vendors will be providing professional resources, in response to TAs and will not be required to directly provide methodologies, tools, processes, technical capabilities, and solutions to the client.

Answer 5: Article 5.1 of the SOW has been revised. See Revision No. 2 from this solicitation amendment.

Question 6:

Mandatory Technical Criteria MTC1 requires that vendors provide information about the aggregate project value. Under a TBIPS, or similar, resource based contract vendors are not granted access to aggregate budget information as they provide only one aspect of the project (professional services). In order to allow vendors to more accurately respond to this requirement we would like to request that all requirements for 'aggregate values' be replaced with the value of the bidders contract, and that the minimum value required be reduced to \$2 million to better reflect the scope of resource based contracts within large scale projects.

Answer 6: IRCC will not consider adjusting the mandatory requirement.

Question 7:

Mandatory Technical Criteria MTC2 requires "experience providing digital solutions" would the Crown please confirm that this refers to contracts where the bidder provided professional services in support of developing digital solutions.

Answer 7: That is incorrect. MTC2 refers to contracts where the bidder provided professional services in providing digital solutions

Question 8:

Mandatory Technical Criteria MTC3 requires bidders to "own and operate at least one innovation lab in Canada" given that this solicitation has been issued under the TBIPS vehicle, for resources to be provided on an as and when needed basis, MTC3 will disqualify a large number of eligible and experienced bidders as the operation of an innovation lab is inconsistent with the business model of most TBIPS vendors. To ensure a competitive solicitation process would the Crown please Remove MTC3 from this solicitation.

Answer 8: IRCC will not consider adjusting the mandatory requirement.

Question 9:

Mandatory Technical Criteria MTC4 requires bidders to have global alliances with a number of software companies, given that this solicitation has been issued under the TBIPS vehicle, for resources to be provided on an as and when needed basis, MTC4 will disqualify a large number of eligible and experienced bidders as the development of global alliances as described is inconsistent with the business model of most TBIPS vendors. To ensure a competitive solicitation process would the Crown please Remove MTC4 from this solicitation.

Answer 9: IRCC will not consider adjusting the mandatory requirement.

ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME