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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL DEMANDE DE PROPOSITION

Proposal To: Public Works and Government
Services 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: Travaux Publics et Services
Gouvernementaux Canada

Nous offrons par la présente de vendre à Sa Majesté la
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 - Commentaires

Vendor/Firm Name and Address

Raison sociale et adresse du
fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur

Issuing Office - Bureau de distribution

Public Works and Government Services / Travaux publics et
services gouvernementaux
Canada Place/Place du Canada
Suite 1000
10th Floor/10e étage
9700 Jasper Ave/9700 ave Jasper
Edmonton
Alberta
T5J 4C3

Title - Sujet Benchtop Hyperspectral System CAMÉRA D'IMAGERIE HYPERSPECTRALE	
Solicitation No. - N° de l'invitation 31029-217382/A	Date 2021-07-22
Client Reference No. - N° de référence du client 31029-217382	
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File No. - N° de dossier EDM-1-44035 (034)	CCC No./N° CCC - FMS No./N° VME
Solicitation Closes - L'invitation prend fin at - à 02:00 PM Mountain Daylight Saving Time MDT on - le 2021-08-10 Heure Avancée des Rocheuses HAR	
F.O.B. - F.A.B. Plant-Usine: <input type="checkbox"/> Destination: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other-Autre: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Address Enquiries to: - Adresser toutes questions à: Nigam, Nidhi	Buyer Id - Id de l'acheteur edm034
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone (587) 532-8142 ()	FAX No. - N° de FAX (418) 566-6167
Destination - of Goods, Services, and Construction: Destination - des biens, services et construction: See Here-in	

Instructions: See Herein

Instructions: Voir aux présentes

Delivery Required - Livraison exigée See Herein – Voir ci-inclus	Delivery Offered - Livraison proposée
Vendor/Firm Name and Address Raison sociale et adresse du fournisseur/de l'entrepreneur	
Telephone No. - N° de téléphone Facsimile No. - N° de télécopieur	
Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print) Nom et titre de la personne autorisée à signer au nom du fournisseur/ de l'entrepreneur (taper ou écrire en caractères d'imprimerie)	
Signature	Date

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PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Statement of Requirement

The National Research Council of Canada (NRC) requires a hyperspectral imaging system to expand image capture and plant phenotyping capabilities. We are looking for a system to be used within a laboratory environment that is suitable for imaging plant tissue samples such as, leaf, root, flower and fruit material.

The work consists of supply & delivery of the system at the NRC address and remote training on equipment use.

While delivery is requested by November 30, 2021, the best delivery that could be offered is _____ (bidder to complete).

1.2 Debriefings

Bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days from receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be in writing, by telephone or in person.

1.3 epost Connect service

This bid solicitation allows bidders to use the epost Connect service provided by Canada Post Corporation to transmit their bid electronically. Bidders must refer to Part 2 entitled Bidder Instructions, and Part 3 entitled Bid Preparation Instructions, of the bid solicitation, for further information.

PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 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](https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

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](#) (2020-05-28) Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements, are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

2.2 Submission of Bids

Bids must be submitted only to the Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) Bid Receiving Unit specified below by the date and time indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation:

PWGSC Western Region Bid Receiving Unit

Only bids submitted using epost Connect service will be accepted. The Bidder must send an email requesting to open an epost Connect conversation to the following address:

roreceptionSoumissions.wrbidreceiving@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca

Note: Bids will not be accepted if emailed directly to this email address. This email address is to be used to open an epost Connect conversation, as detailed in Standard Instructions [2003](#), or to

send bids through an epost Connect message if the bidder is using its own licensing agreement for epost Connect.

It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure the request for opening an epost Connect conversation is sent to the email address above at least six days before the solicitation closing date. Bids transmitted by facsimile or hardcopy to PWGSC will not be accepted. Faxed bids will be accepted at 1-418-566-6167. Hard copy (submitted in person or via mail/courier) bids will not be accepted for the subject bid solicitation.

2.3 Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting 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 question(s) or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question(s) is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered to all Bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all Bidders may not be answered by Canada.

2.4 Applicable Laws

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

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.

2.5 Bid Challenge and Recourse Mechanisms

- (a) Several mechanisms are available to potential suppliers to challenge aspects of the procurement process up to and including contract award.
- (b) Canada encourages suppliers to first bring their concerns to the attention of the Contracting Authority. Canada's [Buy and Sell](#) website, under the heading "[Bid Challenge and Recourse Mechanisms](#)" contains information on potential complaint bodies such as:
 - Office of the Procurement Ombudsman (OPO)
 - Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT)
- (c) Suppliers should note that there are **strict deadlines** for filing complaints, and the time periods vary depending on the complaint body in question. Suppliers should therefore act quickly when they want to challenge any aspect of the procurement process.

PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions

The Bidder must submit its bid electronically in accordance with section 08 of the 2003 standard instructions. The epost Connect system has a limit of 1GB per single message posted and a limit of 20GB per conversation.

The bid must be gathered per section and separated as follows:

Section I: Technical Bid
Section II: Financial Bid
Section III: Certifications

Bids transmitted by facsimile or hardcopy will not be accepted.

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.

3.1.1 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Bid

If you are willing to accept payment of invoices by Electronic Payment Instruments, complete Annex “C” Electronic Payment Instruments, to identify which ones are accepted.

If Annex “C” Electronic Payment Instruments is not completed, it will be considered as if Electronic Payment Instruments are not being accepted for payment of invoices.

Acceptance of Electronic Payment Instruments will not be considered as an evaluation criterion.

3.1.2 Exchange Rate Fluctuation

[C3011T](#) (2013-11-06), Exchange Rate Fluctuation

3.1.3 SACC Manual Clauses

Section III: Certifications

Bidders must submit the certifications and additional information required under Part 5.

PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

4.1 Evaluation Procedures

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

4.1.1 Technical Evaluation

4.1.1.1 Mandatory Technical Criteria

Failure to meet any of the following mandatory criteria at solicitation closing will render your submission non-compliant and given no further consideration.

- (a) Ability to provide the items in accordance with Annex "A", requirement.
- (b) Compliance with the terms and conditions contained in this document.

4.1.2 Financial Evaluation

The total assessed bid price will be determined in the following method:

- a) The unit prices offered for line items 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be multiplied by the associated quantity to reach an extended price for each line item. The extended totals for all line items will be aggregated to reach the total assessed bid price. Refer to Annex B, Basis of Payment.

SACC Manual Clause [A0220T](#) (2014-06-26), Evaluation of Price-Bid

4.2 Basis of Selection

- 4.2.1** SACC Manual Clause [A0031T](#) (2010-08-16), (Basis of Selection - Mandatory Technical Criteria)

PART 5 – CERTIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Bidders must provide the required certifications and additional information to be awarded a contract.

The certifications provided by Bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Unless specified otherwise, Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default if any certification made by the Bidder is found to be untrue whether made knowingly or unknowingly, during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period.

The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply and to cooperate with any request or requirement imposed by the Contracting Authority will render the bid non-responsive or constitute a default under the Contract.

5.1 Certifications Required with the Bid

Bidders must submit the following duly completed certifications as part of their bid.

5.1.1 Integrity Provisions - Declaration of Convicted Offences

In accordance with the Integrity Provisions of the Standard Instructions, all bidders must provide with their bid, **if applicable**, the declaration form available on the [Forms for the Integrity Regime](http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/declaration-eng.html) website (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/declaration-eng.html>), to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

5.2 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award and Additional Information

The certifications and additional information listed below should be submitted with the bid, but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications or additional information is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to provide the certifications or the additional information listed below within the time frame provided will render the bid non-responsive.

5.2.1 Integrity Provisions – Required Documentation

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In accordance with the section titled Information to be provided when bidding, contracting or entering into a real property agreement of the [Ineligibility and Suspension Policy](http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html) (<http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/ci-if/politique-policy-eng.html>), the Bidder must provide the required documentation, as applicable, to be given further consideration in the procurement process.

5.2.2 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Bid Certification

By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that the Bidder, and any of the Bidder's members if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list available at the bottom of the page of the [Employment and Social Development Canada \(ESDC\) - Labour's](https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/employment-equity/federal-contractor-program.html#) website (<https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/employment-equity/federal-contractor-program.html#>).

Canada will have the right to declare a bid non-responsive if the Bidder, or any member of the Bidder if the Bidder is a Joint Venture, appears on the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list at the time of contract award.

PART 6 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

The following clauses and conditions apply to and form part of any contract resulting from the bid solicitation.

6.1 Security Requirements

6.1.1 There is no security requirement applicable to the Contract.

6.2 Statement of Requirement

The Contractor must provide the items detailed under the "Requirement" at Annex "A".

6.3 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](https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual) (<https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

6.3.1 General Conditions

[2010A](#) (2020-05-28), General Conditions - Goods (Medium Complexity), apply to and form part of the Contract.

6.4 Term of Contract

6.4.1 Period of the Contract

The period of the Contract is from date of Contract award until end of warranty period.

6.4.2 Delivery Date

While delivery is requested by November 30, 2021, the best delivery that could be offered is _____ (bidder to complete).

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6.4.3 Delivery Points

Delivery of the requirement will be made to delivery point(s) specified at Annex "A" of the Contract.

6.5 Authorities

6.5.1 Contracting Authority

The Contracting Authority for the Contract is:

Name: Nidhi Nigam
Title: Procurement Specialist

Directorate: Public Works and Government Services Canada Acquisitions Branch
Western Region
Address: Canada Place
10th Floor 9700 Jasper Ave
Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 4C3

Telephone: 587-532-8142
E-mail address: nidhi.nigam@pwgsc-tpsgc.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.

6.5.2 Project Authority [inserted at contract award]

The Project Authority for the Contract is:

Name: _____
Title: _____
Organization: _____
Address: _____

Telephone: _____
Facsimile: _____
E-mail address: _____

The Project Authority 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 Project Authority, however the Project 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.

6.5.3 Contractor's Representative [to be completed by the bidder]

Name: _____
Title: _____
Organization: _____
Address: _____
Telephone: _____
E-mail address: _____

6.6 Payment

6.6.1 Basis of Payment

In consideration of the Contractor satisfactorily completing all of its obligations under the Contract, the Contractor will be paid a firm price(s) as specified in Annex "B". Customs duties are included and Applicable Taxes are extra.

Canada will not pay the Contractor for any design changes, modifications or interpretations of the Work, unless they have been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority before their incorporation into the Work.

6.6.2 Limitation of Price

SACC Manual clause C6000C (2017-08-17) Limitation of Price

6.6.3 Single Payment

SACC Manual clause H1000C (2008-05-12) Single Payment.

6.6.4 SACC Manual Clauses

SACC Manual clause C2000C (2007-11-30) Taxes - Foreign-based Contractor (if applicable).

6.6.5 Electronic Payment of Invoices – Contract

The Contractor accepts to be paid using any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

- a. Visa Acquisition Card;
- b. MasterCard Acquisition Card;
- c. Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);
- d. Electronic Data Interchange (EDI);
- e. Wire Transfer (International Only);
- f. Large Value Transfer System (LVTS) (Over \$25M)

6.7 Invoicing Instructions

The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the section entitled "Invoice Submission" of the general conditions. Invoices cannot be submitted until all work identified in the invoice is completed.

Invoices must be distributed as follows:

- a) The original and one (1) copy must be forwarded to the address shown on page 1 of the Contract for certification and payment.
- b) One (1) copy must be forwarded to the Contracting Authority identified under the section entitled "Authorities" of the Contract.

6.8 Certifications and Additional Information

6.8.1 Compliance

Unless specified otherwise, the continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid or precedent to contract award, and the ongoing cooperation in providing additional information

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are conditions of the Contract and failure to comply will constitute the Contractor in default. Certifications are subject to verification by Canada during the entire period of the Contract.

6.9 Applicable Laws

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in _____ (*insert the name of the province or territory as specified by the Bidder in its bid, if applicable*).

6.10 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) the general conditions 2010A (2020-05-28), General Conditions - Goods (Medium Complexity);
- (c) Annex A, Statement of Requirement;
- (d) Annex B, Basis of Payment;
- (e) the Contractor's bid dated _____

6.11 SACC Manual Clauses

B1501C (2018-06-21), Electrical Equipment
B7500C (2006-06-16), Excess Goods
G1005C (2008-05-12), Insurance

6.12 Dispute Resolution

- (a) The parties agree to maintain open and honest communication about the Work throughout and after the performance of the contract.
- (b) The parties agree to consult and co-operate with each other in the furtherance of the contract and promptly notify the other party or parties and attempt to resolve problems or differences that may arise.
- (c) If the parties cannot resolve a dispute through consultation and cooperation, the parties agree to consult a neutral third party offering alternative dispute resolution services to attempt to address the dispute.
- (d) Options of alternative dispute resolution services can be found on Canada's Buy and Sell website under the heading "Dispute Resolution".

ANNEX "A"

STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENT

BENCHTOP HYPERSPECTRAL CAMERA

1.0 Object

The National Research Council of Canada (NRC) requires a hyperspectral imaging system to expand image capture and plant phenotyping capabilities. We are looking for a system to be used within a laboratory environment that is suitable for imaging plant tissue samples such as, leaf, root, flower and fruit material.

The work consists of supply & delivery of the system at the NRC address and remote training on equipment use.

While delivery is requested by November 30, 2021, the best delivery that could be offered is _____ (bidder to complete).

2.0 Mandatory technical specifications

Refer to the Compliance Matrix for the complete performance specifications and instructions that must be satisfied in order for a bid to be deemed responsive.

3.0 Deliverables:

3.1 Technical documentation: The hyperspectral imaging system to include at least one operating manual in English upon delivery.

3.2 Remote training must be provided in the use and administration of the hyperspectral imaging system by the supplier

Contractor should liaise with the NRC Technical Authority to set up a date for the training.

4.0 Delivery

The hyperspectral imaging system has to be delivered at 110 Gymnasium Place, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, S7N 0W9.
National Research Council Canada (NRC).

Contractor should liaise with the NRC Technical Authority to set up a date for the delivery of the hyperspectral imaging system.

COMPLIANCE MATRIX – MINIMUM MANDATORY PERFORMANCE SPECIFICATIONS

Requirement		Model number Offered		
Item #	Performance Specification	Status (M) Mandatory	Performance Specification Offered: Bidder should indicate how they meet the performance specification by recording this information in this column.	Cross Reference: In this column, Bidders should cross-reference where this performance specification is indicated in their supporting documents.
1.1	The proposed system must include a hyperspectral image camera with a minimal spectral range of 400-1000nm and a minimum of 300 spectral channels.	M		
1.2	Please Note: The proposed system must include a hyperspectral image camera spectral resolution of 1.5 nm or smaller	M		
1.3	The proposed system must include an appropriate objective lens within the range of	M		

	20-25mm.				
1.4	The proposed system must include a mounting stand for the camera with the capability to adjust the imaging distance.	M			
1.5	The proposed system must include a stage for imaging and a mechanism to adjust the imaging stage on at least 1-axis	M			
1.6	The proposed system must include a lighting assembly for illuminating samples during image capture	M			

1.7	The proposed system must include a computer and appropriate capture and analysis software	M		
1.8	The proposed system must include a mechanism for system calibration and a calibration standard	M		
1.9	The instrument must be appropriate for use on a laboratory benchtop.	M		
1.10	The instrument must be able to operate in an environmental temperature range of 5-40°C.	M		

1.11	The supplier must provide technical support for the hyperspectral imaging system for a minimum of 1 year.	M		
1.12	Remote training must be provided in the use and administration of the hyperspectral imaging system by the supplier.	M		
1.13	The system must be CSA certified.	M		

ANNEX "B"

BASIS OF PAYMENT

- Bidder must complete the below table and submit it with their proposal.
- Firm unit Prices are FOB destination and include all delivery charges, customs, and duties to National Research Council Canada (NRC), 110 Gymnasium Place, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, S7N 0W9.
- Firm unit Price do not include Applicable taxes. Applicable taxes will be added as a separate line item to any invoice issued as a result of a Contract.
- All line items must be filled out in order for the bid to be deemed responsive, if any line item is left blank it will be considered zero for evaluation purposes.

Delivery location:

FOB Destination, including all delivery charges to:
110 Gymnasium Place, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, S7N 0W9

Item	Description	Quantity (A)	Firm Lot Price (B)	Extended Price (AxB)
1	Hyperspectral Imaging Camera	1	\$_____/unit	\$____
2	Objective lens within range of 20-25 mm	1	\$_____/unit	\$____
3	Benchtop Scanning System	1	\$_____/unit	\$____
4	Delivery	1 Lot	\$_____/Lot	\$____
Total Assessed Bid Price				\$____

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ANNEX “C” to PART 3 OF THE BID SOLICITATION

ELECTRONIC PAYMENT INSTRUMENTS

The Bidder accepts any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

- ☐ () VISA Acquisition Card;
- ☐ () MasterCard Acquisition Card;
- ☐ () Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);
- ☐ () Electronic Data Interchange (EDI);
- ☐ () Wire Transfer (International Only);
- ☐ () Large Value Transfer System (LVTS) (Over \$25M)