

INVITATION TO BID

Lease of Office Building for SARAO for a period of 3 years, with an Option to Renew for an additional period of 2 Years

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Bidder Name:				
Bid Number:		NRF/SARAO SCTO/23/2023-	24	
Closing Date: Closing Time:		Friday, 1 September 2023 11.00AM		
Compulsory Briefii Session:	ng	N/A		
Bid Submission:		Electronic submissions must b	pe sent to tenders@sarao.ac.za	
		Bids must be submitted in two separate electronic folders, one with the compliance and technical response, and the second with the financial response.		
		Technical submissions should (PDF or Word).	preferably be in searchable format	
		Folders must be titled with the title. Attachments are limited to	bidder's company name and folder o 25 MB per email.	
Bidders may use WeTransfer, Dropbox, Google Drive or si file sharing applications to submit their bid submissions.				
Direct enquiries in	writing to):		
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INTRODUCTION TO THE NRF

The National Research Foundation Act as amended, Act 19 of 2018, establishes the National Research Foundation ("NRF") as the juristic legal entity that will contract with the awarded bidder. Please visit the NRF website (https://www.nrf.ac.za) for more information.

BACKGROUND TO SARAO

The South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO) is the National Research Foundation's National Facility incorporating South Africa's radio astronomy instruments and programmes such as the MeerKAT and KAT-7 telescopes in the Karoo in the Northern Cape, the Hartebeesthoek Radio Astronomy Observatory (HartRAO) in Gauteng, the African Very Long Baseline Interferometry (AVN) programme in nine African countries as well as the associated human capital development and commercialisation endeavours. More information about SARAO is available from www.sarao.ac.za. More information about the international SKA project is available from www.sarao.ac.za. More information about the international SKA project is available from www.skatelescope.org.

CONTEXT OF THE PROCUREMENT NEED

SARAO currently has 260 staff in its employment in Cape Town. In addition to this the SARAO hosts up to 20 students a week and approximately 20 young professionals. SARAO also houses significant technical laboratories and server rooms. The Cape Town team is currently located at 2 Fir street Black River Park Observatory (3800m2 over 2 floors with 130 parking bays). The lease at Black River Park will expire in March 2024.

SARAO is seeking a three-year property lease that complies with the set of prescribed parameters and the option to renew for an additional period of 2 years.

PART A - THE TENDER

OBJECTIVE OF THE TENDER

- 1.1. The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to request landlords, landlord agents and owners who specialize in the leasing of office space to submit proposals to SARAO for A/P Grade (in terms of the South African Property Owner's Association Office Grading Classifications) office accommodation to house SARAO, situated currently at Black River Park Observatory Cape Town.
- 1.2. The building offered to house the SARAO SA Cape Town office should provide a minimum space of 3500m2 as well as expansion possibility if required. The premises offered must be compliant with SANS 10400 (SABS 0400) The application of the National Building Regulations (NBR).
- 1.3. The lease shall be for a period of 3 years and an option to renew for an additional 2 years.

SCOPE OF WORK

Bidders are invited to submit bids based on the following technical specifications:

Criteria	Definition	Description
Area	Central Cape Town (Observatory, Pinelands, Mowbray, Salt River and surrounding areas). A map is enclosed as Annexure A	 The building to be considered in the specified areas must comply with the following: Must be within an office node (industrial areas are specifically excluded) Within walking distance to public transport including taxi routes, Bus Routes and train stations Within walking distance to retail centres that provide convenient goods and services
Office Grade	A/P Grade	Professionally managed with continued above average maintenance. High quality pinnacle modern finishes; air conditioning; adequate on-site parking; a good quality lobby finish with clear circulation; quality access to/from an attractive street environment; good safety/ security
Usable Area (excludes all common areas)	Maximum gross lettable area excluding common areas, balconies and storage is 4500m² and the minimum usable, functional office space that is required is 3500m²	The type of accommodation required is a combination of individual offices, auditorium, canteen, open plan, lab testing facility, server rooms, delivery area, storage facility, reception and security area
Lease Period	Three (3) lease period (with an option to renew for an additional 2 years)	Bidders to submit lease proposals for a three-year lease period, to include rental rates, tenant installation allowance, and all other attributes

Criteria	Definition	Description
Building	 The building can be an existing building or new development. A dedicated facility rather than a shared facility would be preferred The building facilities must cater for the physically handicapped Exterior tenant signage must be allowable The building must comply with the National Building Regulations, SANS 10400 and the requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act 85 of 1993), and its applicable regulations 	In the case of a new development, the building must be scheduled to be ready for beneficial occupation date, being 1 December 2023
Beneficial occupation	Three (3) months prior to the lease commencement date of 1 March 2024	The landlord must grant the tenant a beneficial occupation period starting from 1 December 2023
Lease Agreement	Upon award of the bid, SARAO will enter into a lease agreement with the successful bidder. Bidders must include in their submissions, a draft pro forma lease agreement in line with SARAO's requirements	The lease agreement and payment of rental will commence from the date of occupancy. Rental will be adjusted annually in accordance with an agreed upon escalation rate starting at the beginning of the second year
Parking	A total of 200 parking bays is required, with the below as a guideline – approximately, • 180 underground or covered parking bays • 20 open parking bays	Secure on-site parking of which some will cater for physically disabled people, must be available in accordance with municipal by- laws. Confirmation of the parking facilities should be included in the bid proposal The parking should be either covered or underground with an approximate maximum of

		10% open bays
Tenant installation allowance	The landlord to provide tenant installation allowance and demonstrated capacity to undertake the tenant installation on behalf of the tenant	The tenant installation allowance should be approximately 30% of the annual lease amount
Building services	The office building must – (i) be fully air-conditioned and ventilated; (ii) have existing fire detection and prevention services; (iii) Lifts; (proof of a lift maintenance contract must be provided at site hand over. The maintenance contract must be in place for the duration of the contract); (iv) own electric distribution board(s); (v) emergency evacuation process in compliance with the Occupational Health and Safety Act; and (vi) double tier cable trays in ceiling voids or make allowance for these.	Building services must be designed, and installed in accordance with the relevant National Building Regulations and Standards Act, 1977 (Act 13 of 1977)
Regulatory Compliance	The accommodation must comply with: The National Building Regulations and Standards Act, 1977 (Act 13 of 1977) and The Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act 85 of 1993), as amended	All certificates of compliance for all installations in terms of the National Building Regulations and Standards Act, must be provided at the time of site handover

Criteria	Definition	Description
Technology and Communication	Provision for Uninterrupted power supply (UPS) and back-up generator power supply must be available in the event of power failure for the entire building; patch rooms available on every floor; cabling and network infrastructure with provision for wireless hotspot and minimum of Cat5e std plus, plug and play/internet ready; building access to fibre connectivity CCTV permitting large coverage with multiple recording; and Access control system	
Amenities, Finishes and Quality	High material spec, functional design base finishes; lifts; high spec stairwells; lobby and reception with quality finishes and appearance and clear circulation; general floor plate permitting design flexibility; good balance between light and environmental control; central environmental control premised on typical building management system with quality split system incorporated; attractive and functional landscaping and greening or attractive building exteriors; limited on site amenities but close at hand and in safe walking/driving proximity; kitchen/catering facilities	The landlord to submit building floor plans as part of the bid
Public Environment	Safe, attractive and clean street; surrounding public environment comprising good infrastructure; good exposure and visibility; vehicular access and good access to public transport	
Building Operating Costs	SARAO will be responsible for the operating costs that relate directly to its own tenancy activities and that, where applicable, are separately metered. SARAO is prepared to incur the following operating costs: (i) Water consumption; (ii) Electricity consumption;	

	(iii) Refuse removal;	
	(iv) Internal security;	
	(v) Consumable supplies; and	
	(vi) Internal cleaning	
	SARAO will not be responsible for any other operating costs, payment of rates and taxes, and periodic increases. Other responsibilities between the landlord and the tenant will be stipulated in the lease agreement	
Building Maintenance Costs	All external building maintenance costs will be the responsibility of the landlord, including building insurance	
Security	Access Control at the Gate, security presence at the Gate/Entrance to Parking Area, Ground Floor/Common Reception Security Presence, 24-hour CCTV Surveillance, Perimeter Fencing, Alarm System	The landlord to submit specifications as part of the bid

Criteria	Definition	Description
	The following attributes will provide an advantage to the buildings bein considered:	g
	1. Building with ease of access to main highways.	
Value Add Attributes	2. Availability of alternative water source mainly for ablution service	3.
Value Add Attributes	The building with a green rating would be advantageous	

BID SELECTION PROCESS

STAGE 1 - SUBMISSION OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS AND SCHEDULES

Bids will be evaluated for compliance with the procedural requirements of this bid, which entails the completion and/or submission of the returnable documents and schedules specified in the Returnable Documents and Schedules Table on **Page 12 below**.

<u>NOTE</u>: Failure to comply with the mandatory requirements in this stage may result in bid disqualification. However, SARAO may apply the discretion to allow bidders to complete and/or sign returnable schedules not completed and/or signed in the first instance or to submit returnable documents not submitted in the first instance. Such returnable schedules or documents must be of a purely administrative nature, and may not pertain to the substance of the bid such as to affect the competitive position of bidders, by giving one or more bidders a second and unfair opportunity to augment the quality (substantive) aspects of their bid.

STAGE 2 – FUNCTIONALITY EVALUATION CRITERIA

Bids will be evaluated against the functionality criteria outlined on Pages 13-17 below.

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Bids which fail to meet the requirements of Stage 2 will be disqualified and not evaluated further in Stage 3.

STAGE 3 – SCORING ON PRICE AND SPECIFIC GOALS

Bid price proposals are compared on an equal and fair basis, considering all aspects of the bid pricing requirements. Qualifying bids are ranked on price and preference points claimed in the following manner:

- (i) **Price** with the lowest priced bid receiving the highest price score as detailed in the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2022;
- (ii) **Specific Goals** specific goals as claimed in the preference claim form (SBD 6.1) are added to the price scores. Bidders' BBBEE level as evidenced by their BBBEE certificates/sworn affidavits, will represent 'specific goals'.

STAGE 1 – SUBMISSION OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS AND SCHEDULES

NOTE: All mandatory criteria need to be complied with to move on to the next stage of evaluation. All SBD returnable forms must be completed and signed by bidders. However, SARAO may apply the discretion to allow bidders to complete and/or sign returnable forms not completed and/or signed in the first instance, or to submit returnable documents not submitted in the first instance. Such returnable schedules or documents must be of a purely administrative nature, and may not pertain to the substance of the bid such as to affect the competitive position of bidders by giving one or more bidders a second and unfair opportunity to augment the quality (substantive) aspects of their bid. Each member of a joint venture, or consortium must submit the SBD 1, 4, and 6.1 returnable forms.

Document description	Weight	Criteria (All criteria are weighted equally to each other)	Grading Scheme	Bid Section Reference	SCM Verificati on
B-BBEE certificate, or in the case EMEs or QSEs, a Sworn Affidavit confirming annual turnover and level of black ownership	Mandatory ¹	Has the bidder submitted a valid B-BBEE certificate or sworn affidavit in order to claim B-BBEE points?	Yes / No		
Proof of CSD registration	Mandatory	Has the bidder provided its CSD registration number?	Yes / No		
SBD 1 Form (Invitation to Bid)	Mandatory	Has the bidder completed and signed the SBD 1 Invitation to Bid form?	Yes / No		
SBD 3.1 Form (Pricing Schedule) – submitted in a separate electronic folder	Mandatory	Has the bidder submitted its pricing for the services offered?	Yes / No		
SBD 4 Form (Bidder's Disclosure)	Mandatory	Has the bidder completed and signed the SBD 4 form? Has the bidder made any disclosure which would preclude it from responding to this bid?	Yes / No		
SBD 6.1 Form (Preferential Points Claim Form)	Mandatory	Has the bidder completed and signed the SBD 6.1 form?	Yes / No		
SBD 1 Form (Bid signature)	Mandatory	Has the bidder confirmed that its bid is validity submitted?	Yes / No		

¹ If points are claimed for 'specific goals' in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022

STAGE 2 – FUNCTIONALITY EVALUATION CRITERIA

<u>NOTE</u>: Bidders must carefully review the evaluation criteria and instructions below and ensure that they understand what information is required, including all documentation that is required to be submitted in this stage of evaluation. No second opportunity will be given to submit documentation not submitted, except in the case where there is no competition (i.e. one bid is received) and therefore no prejudice will accrue to any other bidder.

Bid proposals will be evaluated in three sub-stages (Stages 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3) on the following criteria:

STAGE 2.1 – SUBMISSION OF RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

Bidders must submit the following documentation, failing which their bids will be held to be non-responsive, and will not qualify to be evaluated in Stage 2.2 and Stage 2.3 –

Document description	Weight	Submitted (Yes/No)
Floor plans of the proposed building (preferably in size A1)	Mandatory	
Proof that the bidder is the owner/landlord. Ownership to be proved by a copy of the title deed (WinDeed printout or equivalent). Where the bidder is an agent or broker, the bidder must provide proof of mandate if acting on behalf of the owner/landlord. Where the bidder is an agent or broker, the bidder must submit a certified copy of a valid Fidelity Fund Certificate issued by the Estate Agency Affairs Board (EAAB)	Mandatory	
Occupation certificate, or certificate confirming the grade of the premises, or proof from a registered architect or property valuer or other professional qualified to make such an assessment, that the building is Grade A or better (Grade P). The aforementioned certificate must not be older than 6 months	Mandatory	

STAGE 2.2 – BUILDING ATTRIBUTES, BIDDERS' EXPERIENCE, CAPABILITY AND CAPACITY

Bids will be scored on the functionality criteria in the table below. Bids must score a minimum of 70 points out of a possible 100 points in order to be evaluated further in Stage 2.3.

EVALUATION CRITERIA	EVIDENCE	FURTHER DETAIL	SUB- POINTS	MAXIMUM POINTS	TOTAL POINTS	
		e vicinity Central Cape Town (Observatory, Pinelands, Mowbray, Salt River and and is located close to the following facilities -				
	Distance to main	The proposed building is more than 5km away from a main highway/freeway and a main road	5			
	highways/freeways and main roads	The proposed building is less than 5km away from a main highway/freeway and a main road	10	10		
		The proposed building is more than 2 kilometres from a bus stop, taxi rank, or train station	3			
	Distance to bus stops, taxi ranks and train stations	The proposed building is between 1-2 kilometres from a bus stop, taxi rank, or train station	8	10		
1. Location of Proposed		The proposed building is less than 1 kilometre from a bus stop, taxi rank, or train station	10			
Building		The proposed building is more than 3 kilometres away from a retail or shopping facility (facilities), and restaurants	3		30	
		The proposed building is within 1-3 kilometres of a retail or shopping facility (facilities), and restaurants	and 5			
	Retail Shopping	The proposed building is less than 1 kilometre away from a retail or shopping facility (facilities), and restaurants	8	10		
		The proposed building is less than half a kilometre away from a retail or shopping facility (facilities), and restaurants	10			

	Bidders must submit a de	etailed project plan including the follow	wing:		
		No project plan submitted, or project plan does not relate to the services required in this bid	0	10	
	Work breakdown structure, critical path responsibilities and costing for tenant installations, detailed contingency proposal as indicated in the	The project plan does not include the information required, or the information provided is incomplete. Some or all of the information provided does not relate to services required in this bid	4		
2. Project Management, Skills and Qualifications of the project	proposal	The project plan is comprehensive and includes all the information required to be included, and the information relates to services required in this bid	10		20
team	Demonstrate capability; Qualifications, experience and competency of the	Bidder did not submit documentation to demonstrate its capability to undertake this service, did not demonstrate the experience and competency of its project team, including providing their qualifications and CVs	2	10	
	competency of the team (Team members CV's should be included)	Bidder did submit documentation to demonstrate its capability to undertake this service, did demonstrate the experience and competency of its project team, including providing their qualifications and CVs	10	10	
3. Provision of Turnkey Solution	Bidder demonstrates the capability and ability to provide a turnkey installation service (spatial design and layout, partitioning, installation of doors, locks, ironmongery	No proposal is submitted to satisfy this requirement	0	10	10

	requirements, internal floor coverings and skirting requirements, internal wall finishing, additional internal electrical requirements, additional plumbing	A proposal is submitted to satisfy this requirement, but it is mostly unsuitable for SARAO's requirements as articulated in this bid document	2		
	and water requirements, installation of air conditioners etc.). List not exhaustive	Proposal is submitted, and is mostly suitable for SARAO's requirements as articulated in this bid document	10		
4. Building Attributes (in terms of Scope		The proposed building does not all the minimum attributes as required, and is completely inadequate for SARAO's requirements as articulated in the scope of work	0		
	Grade, gross lettable area, building services	The proposed building does not meet most of the minimum attributes as required, and is generally inadequate for SARAO's requirements as articulated in the scope of work	2	10	
		The proposed building does not meet all the minimum attributes as required, but is generally adequate for SARAO's requirements as articulated in the scope of work	6		
of Work, refer to pages 2-3)		The proposed building meets or exceeds all the required attributes	10		30
pages 2 sy		The proposed building does not meet any of the attributes as required, or the attributes are inadequate	0		
	Technology and Communication	The proposed building does not meet all the attributes as required or the attributes are mostly inadequate		10	
		The proposed building meets all the required attributes	10		
	Public environment	The proposed building does not meet any of the minimum attributes for the public	0	10	

				Total	100
		Bidder submitted more than 3 reference letters, and the letters relate to the services required in this bid	10		
Experience	team experience in providing similar services Please attach signed referral letters with contact numbers	Bidder submitted at least 3 reference letters, and the letters relate to the services required in this bid	9	10	10
5. Bidder's	The bidders must demonstrate the project management	Bidder submitted 1-2 reference letters, and the letter(s) relate to the services required in this bid	5		
		Bidder did not submit any reference letters, or the reference letters submitted are irrelevant to the services required in this bid	0		
		The proposed building meets all the required attributes	10		
		The proposed building does not meet the minimum attributes as required, but is generally adequate for SARAO's requirements as articulated in the scope of work	6		
		The proposed building does not meet most of the minimum attributes for the public environment as required, and is generally inadequate for SARAO's requirements as articulated in the scope of work	2		
		environment as required, and is completely inadequate for SARAO's requirements as articulated in the scope of work			
		environment or required and in			

Bidders must score a minimum of 70 out of a possible 100 points in order to be evaluated further is Stage 2.3.

STAGE 2.3 – SITE VISIT

- (i) Bidders or their representative should be present at the site visit.
- (ii) SARAO will communicate the time and date of the visit with bidder.
- (iii) All offices and facilities should be accessible during the visit.
- (iv) SARAO reserves the right to interview current tenants and take photos of the premises.
- (v) Functionality points scored in Stage 2.2 will be impacted by the site visit, and points scored may be revised as necessitated.

STAGE 3 - PRICE AND SPECIFIC GOALS SCORING

Bids which meet the minimum requirements in Stage 2, will be evaluated on Price and Specific Goals (Stage 3) as follows -

CRITERIA	POINTS
PRICE	90
SPECIFIC GOALS (B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION)	10
TOTAL POINTS FOR PRICE AND B-BBEE MUST NOT EXCEED	100

PART A.1 – BID PREPARATION

BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS

Bidders are urged to carefully study these bidding instructions, as well as all corresponding instructions pertaining to the bid evaluation criteria, scope of services, pricing and returnable, contained in this bid document. Failure to comply with these instructions will be at the bidder's risk, and may affect the evaluation of its bid.

1.	<u>Late bids</u>
1.1	Bids received after the closing time and/or date will not be considered.
2.	Authority of bid signatory
2.1	The bid must be signed by a person duly authorised to do so.
3.	Clarification of the bid
3.1	A bidder requiring any clarification of the bid documents may direct the request for clarification in writing, to the SARAO representatives listed on the cover page of this bid document.
3.2	A response will be provided by SARAO in writing. The response (including an explanation of the query, but without identifying the source of the query) will be sent to all prospective, identifiable bidders.
3.3	The last date for the submission of requests for clarification shall be three (3) working days from the closing date of the tender.
4.	Bid preparation costs
4.1	Bidders will be responsible for all costs associated with the preparation and submissions of their bids.
5.	Tender Briefing Session and Site Visits
5.1	Where applicable, the arrangements for a compulsory / non-compulsory tender briefing session and / or site visit are as stated in the Invitation to Tender.
5.2	Bidders should be represented by a person or persons who are suitably qualified and experienced to comprehend the aspects of the work involved.
5.3	Where the briefing session or site visit is compulsory, bidders not represented at such briefing session or site visit will be precluded from submitting a bid.
6.	Counter proposals
6.1	No counter proposals will be accepted.
7.	Alterations to the bid document
7.1	Bidders may not make any alterations or additions to the content of this bid document, except to comply with the instructions issued by SARAO. Any alterations made to the content of this bid document other than those mandated by SARAO will result in the invalidation of a bidder's submission.
8.	Submitting a tender offer
8.1	Bidders may submit one tender offer only, either as a single tendering entity or as a member of a joint venture or consortium, unless otherwise stated in this bid document.

8.2	Each party to a joint venture or consortium must individually complete and submit the SBD returnable schedules included in this bid document.		
8.3	Bidders must return all returnable documents and schedules after completing them in their entirety, preferably electronically, or by writing legibly in non-erasable ink.		
8.4	The bid document must be submitted in its entirety.		
9.	Alternative Tender Offers		
9.1	Unless otherwise stated in this bid document, alternative tenders offer may only be submitted if a main tender offer, strictly in accordance with all the requirements of the bid documents is also submitted, as well as a schedule that compares the requirements of the bid document with the alternative requirements proposed.		
9.2	An alternative tender offer must be based only on the criteria stated in this bid document, or criteria otherwise acceptable to SARAO.		
9.3	An alternative tender offer will only be considered if the main tender offer is the winning tender.		
9.4	For the purposes of this Tender (Ref - NRF/SARAO SCTO/23/2023-24) no alternative bid offers will be accepted.		
10.	Clarification of bidder's tender offer after submission		
10.1	Bidders may be required by SARAO, to provide clarification of their tender offer during the bid evaluation or adjudication stages. This may include providing a breakdown of rates or prices, or correction of arithmetical errors by the adjustment of certain rates or item prices (or both).		
10.2	No change in the competitive position of bidders or substance of the tender offer may be sought, offered, or permitted.		
11.	Two envelope system		
11.1	SARAO utilises the two-envelope system to minimise any form of price bias in the technical evaluation phase.		
11.2	All responses must be submitted in two electronic folders; the first folder shall contain the technical, and compliance response and the second shall contain only the pricing response.		
11.3	Bidders must ensure that they do not include any pricing details in the first envelope/folder, as SARAO reserves the right to disqualify such bids.		
11.4	Bidders are required to package their bid as follows:		
	Envelope/ Folder 1: Compliance and Technical Response		
	Envelope/ Folder 2: Pricing Response		
12.	Central Supplier Database registration		
12.1	No award may be made to a bidder who is not registered with the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD), and has not submitted evidence of such registration in the form of a valid CSD Registration Number.		
12.2	Bidders not registered with CSD are not precluded from submitting bids, but must be registered prior to award of the bid.		
13.	Tax compliance status		
13.1	Bidders must ensure that their tax matters are in order. No award will be made to any bidder whose tax matters have not been declared to be in order by the South African Revenue Services (SARS).		
13.2	Each party to a joint venture, consortium or partnership must comply with the above requirement.		
13.3	The bid will be declared non-responsive in the event that the bidder's tax matters are shown not be in order, and the bidder fails to ensure that its tax matters are in order within a minimum of 7 days, or within such extended timeframe as may be granted by SARAO in writing.		
14.	Due Diligence during Bid Evaluation		

14.1	During the evaluation of the bid, SARAO reserves the right carry out such due diligence on shortlisted bidders as it deems necessary, which due diligence may include requiring shortlisted bidders to submit reference letters from clients for whom similar services have been provided.
14.2	Where reference letters are requested, they must comply with performance indicators specified by SARAO, specific to the bid under consideration.
14.3	SARAO reserves the right to disqualify a bid where reference letters provided do not satisfy the performance indicators specified by SARAO.
15.	Invalid bids
15.1	Tenders shall be invalid if –
15.1.1	In a two-envelope system, a bidder fails to submit both a technical proposal and a separate financial offer.
15.1.2	The bidder is listed on the National Treasury's Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, or has been listed on the National Treasury's List of Restricted Suppliers and who is therefore prohibited from doing business with the public sector.
15.3	The bidder has been restricted from doing business with any Organ of State.
16.	Price negotiations prior to award
16.1	The award of this bid may be subject to price negotiations with the preferred bidder or bidders, where there are opportunities for realising cost savings, or where bid prices are not considered reasonable or market related.
16.2	SARAO reserves the right to reject overpriced or under-priced bids outside the identified price range for the bid.
17.	Cancellation of the bid prior to award
17.1	SARAO reserves the right to cancel this bid at any time before award, where -
17.1.1	Due to changed circumstances there is no longer a need for the services specified in this bid.
17.1.2	Funds are no longer available to cover the total envisaged expenditure for the project.
17.1.3	No bids meet the required specifications.
17.1.4	There is a material irregularity in the bid process.
18.	Bid award
18.1	The bid will be awarded after approval by the NRF, to the bidder with the highest combined score for Price and specific goals, unless other objective criteria, specified in the bid document, applies.
18.2	The award will be subject to final verification of the bidder's tax compliance status.
19.	Collusion, fraud and corruption
19.1	Any effort by the bidder to influence evaluation, comparisons, or award decisions in any manner will result in the rejection and disqualification of the bidder concerned.
19.2	The NRF/SARAO would never offer payment or any other consideration in return for the favourable consideration of a bid. Please report any suspected acts of fraud or corruption to the following toll-free number - 0800 701 701 or SMS 39772.
20.	<u>Fronting</u>
20.1	SARAO supports Government's Broad-based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) initiatives, recognising that real empowerment is achieved by individuals and businesses conducting themselves in accordance with the Constitution and in an honest, fair, equitable, transparent, and legally compliant manner. Therefore, SARAO condemns any form of fronting.
20.2	SARAO's evaluation committees may conduct or initiate investigations to determine the accuracy of bidders' B-BBEE

	representations.
20.3	Should SARAO have reasonable grounds to suspect any form of fronting, the bidder in question will be notified and given 7 days from the date of notification to provide evidence refuting the finding of fronting.
20.4	Should the bidder be unable to refute the finding to the satisfaction of SARAO, SARAO reserves the right to reject the bid submitted by the bidder or cancel any contracts entered into with the bidder, and apply to National Treasury to restrict for the bidder to be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years, and exercise any other remedies SARAO may have against such a bidder.
21.	<u>Disclaimers</u>
21.1	SARAO has produced this document in good faith. SARAO, its agents, and its employees and associates do not warrant its accuracy or completeness; make no representation, warranty, assurance, guarantee or endorsements to any third parties concerning the document. SARAO has no liability towards the bidders in connection therewith.

PART B - THE CONTRACT

SBD 7.2 - CONTRACT FORM - RENDERING OF SERVICES

THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED IN DUPLICATE BY BOTH THE SERVICE PROVIDER (PART 1) AND THE PURCHASER (PART 2). BOTH FORMS MUST BE SIGNED IN THE ORIGINAL SO THAT THE SERVICE PROVIDER AND THE PURCHASER WOULD BE IN POSSESSION OF ORIGINALLY SIGNED CONTRACTS FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE RECORDS

RE IN	POSSESSION OF ORIGINALLY SIGNED CONTRACTS FOR THEIR	R RESPECTIVE RECORDS				
	PART 1 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE SE	ERVICE PROVIDER)				
1.	I,					
2.	The following documents shall be deemed to form, and be read and	d construed as part of this Agreement:				
2.1	The Bid Document (Ref No. NRF/SARAO SCTO/23/2023-24);					
2.2	The lease agreement to be concluded between SARAO and the ap	pointed bidder;				
2.2	The Service Provider's bid submission in response to Bid Ref. NRF	//SARAO SCTO/23/2023-24;				
2.3	The Service Provider's bid price in response to Bid Ref. NRF/SARA	AO SCTO/23/2023-24;				
2.4	Any Annexures, Schedules or Addendums referred to in the abovementioned documents.					
3.	The Service Provider confirms that it has satisfied itself as to the correctness and validity of its bid; that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the services specified in the Bid Document; that the price(s) and rate(s) cover all its obligations, and accepts that any mistakes regarding its price(s) and rate(s) and calculations will be at its own risk.					
4.	The Service Provider accepts full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on it under this Agreement.					
5.	The Service Provider declares that it has not participated in any collusive practices with any third party regarding this or any other bid.					
6.	I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.					
	NAME (PRINT)	WITNESSES 1				
	SIGNATURE	2				
	NAME OF FIRM DATE	DATE:				
	U/LIL					

SBD 7.2 - CONTRACT FORM - RENDERING OF SERVICES						
	PART 2 (TO BE FILLED IN BY THE PURCHASER (SARAO))					
1.	I,, in my capacity as					
2.	An official purchaser order indicating service delivery instructions is f	orthcoming.				
3.	I undertake to make payment for the services rendered in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract, within 30 (thirty) days after receipt of an invoice.					
2.2	The Service Provider's bid submission in response to Bid Ref. NRF/SARAO SCTO/23/2023-24;					
4.	I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this contract.					
	SIGNED AT ON					
	NAME (PRINT) SIGNATURE OFFICIAL STAMP DATE	WITNESSES 1				

PART B.1 – PRICING

PRICING INSTRUCTIONS

Applicable Currency: All prices shall be quoted in South African Rand. 2. Completion of Pricing Schedule: Bidders shall complete the pricing schedule in full, inserting all the information required therein. In addition to the pricing schedule in this bid document, bidders may prepare a more detailed pricing schedule should they wish to do so, and include this in their pricing proposal, provided that such additional pricing schedule is in line with the deliverables on the SARAO issued pricing schedule. 3. Applicability of Quoted Prices: All quoted prices must remain firm for the duration of the contract, unless stipulated otherwise in the special conditions of contract. 4. Total Bid Cost: Prices quoted must include all applicable taxes including VAT, less all unconditional discounts, plus all costs to deliver the services and/or goods. 5. Exchange Rate Fluctuations: Where imported goods or services are to be used, and pricing is subject to exchange rate fluctuations, the applicable foreign currency must be stipulated, as well as the exchange rate at the time of bidding. The portion of the bid price subject to exchange rate fluctuations must be stated. 6. Bid Price Calculation: Estimates of quantities are provided to allow for the calculation of a bid price that allows equal comparison between bidders. 7. Submission of Pricing: Bidders must submit their pricing proposals in an unzipped electronic folder.

BID PRICE SCHEDULE (SBD 3.1)

(Submit pricing in separate electronic folder)

	(Cashing in coparate discassing foliation)						
No.	Deliverables	Rate	Square Meterage / Quantity	Annual Escalation (%)	Annual Rental	Total Annual Rental (including VAT)	
1.	Rate per square metre			N/A			
2	Parking Bays (covered or underground)			N/A			
3	Parking Bays (open)			N/A			
4	Operating cost (electricity, water, rates, sewerage, generator)			N/A			
5	Tenant Allowance			N/A			

YEAR 1			
YEAR 2 (Including annual escalation)		%	
YEAR 3 (Including annual escalation)		%	
TOTAL BID PRICE (YEAR 1-3)			

PART C - RETURNABLE SCHEDULES

INVITATION TO BID (SBD 1)					
Bid number	number NRF/SARAO SCTO/23/2023-24				
Closing date and time	Friday, 1 S	September 2023 at 11.00	DAM		
	SUMMARY C	F BID REQUIREMENTS	8		
LEASE OF OFFICE BUILDING FOR	R SARAO FOR A	PERIOD OF 3 YEARS,	WITH AN OPTION TO RENEW FOR AN		
ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF 2 YEARS					
Two envelope system			Yes		
Price validity period from date of c	losure		One hundred and twenty days (120) days		
	SUPPLIE	R INFORMATION			
Name of Bidder					
Postal Address					
Street Address					
Telephone Number					
Code	Number				
Cell Phone Number	T				
Code	Number				
Facsimile Number	Facsimile Number				
Code Number					
E-Mail Address					
VAT Registration Number					

Tax Stat		ompliance	Tax Cor System F	•		OR	Central Supplier Dat No.	abase	MAAA	
B-BBEE Status Level Tick Ap			Tick App	licable Box.	B-BB	B-BBEE Status Level		pplicable Box.		
Veri	fication	Certificate		□Yes □	INo	Swor	n Affidavit	□Yes	□No	
_	[A B-BBEE status level verification certificate/sworn affidavit (for EMEs & QSEs) must be submitted in order to qualify for preference points for B-BBEE – also refer to the SBD 6.1]									
Are	you the	accredited	l represen	tative in	□Yes □No	Are y	ou a foreign-based		□Yes □No	
	•	a for the go	•			supplier for the		[If yes, answer the		
offe	red?				proof]	goods/services/works offered? [If yes, answer the questionnaire below]				
								<u> </u>		
	Is the e	entity a resid	lent of the	Republic o	of South Africa (RS	SA)?			□Yes □No	
	Does th	he entity hav	ve a brancl	n in the RS	SA?				□Yes □No	
	Does th	he entity hav	ve a perma	nent estat	olishment in the RS	SA?			□Yes □No	
	Does th	he entity hav	ve any sou	rce of inco	ome in the RSA?				□Yes □No	
	Is the e	entity liable i	n the RSA	for any for	rm of taxation?			□Yes □No		
					•	ment to	register for a tax con	npliance	e status system pin code	
from	the Soi	uth African F	Revenue S	ervice (SA						
BID SUBMISSION										
1.		Bids must be delivered by the stipulated time to the correct address. Late bids will not be accepted for consideration.								
2.	All bids must be submitted on the officially provided forms provided – (not to be re-typed) or in the manner prescribed in the bid document.					typed) or in the manner				
3.										
	I • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •			Act, 2000, the General Conditions of Contract (GCC), and any other legislat bid. These are included in this document thereby forming the contract between				•		
the NRF and the appointed/award				iuu c u i	ir tilis document tilere	by lollil	ing the contract between			
4.										
				TAX C	COMPLIANCE	REQ	UIREMENTS			
1.	Bidders must ensure compliance with their tax obligations.									
2.		Where the	bidder is	registered	on the Central Sup	pplier D	atabase (CSD), a CS	D numb	er must be provided	
3.				-	•		` ,	•	S to enable the Organ of	
			•		rofile and tax status. Application for tax compliance status (TCS) pin is made via site www.sars.gov.za.					
4.							er with the bid, availat	ole via e	e-filing through the SARS	
			ww.sars.go	•		J - 2-	, -		<u> </u>	
5.		In bids wh	ere conso	rtia/ joint v	entures/ sub-contr	actors	are involved; each pa	rty mus	t submit a separate TCS	

	certificate/PIN/CSD number.
6.	No bids will be considered from persons in the service of the state, companies with directors who are persons
	in the service of the state, or close corporations with members' persons in the service of the state.

	SBD 4	BIDDER'S DISCLOSU	IRE			
1.	PURPOSE OF THE FORM					
1.1	Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder. Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.					
2.	BIDDER'S DECLARATION					
2.1	Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest2 in the enterprise, in the service of the State?					
2.1.1	If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below -					
	Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State Insti	itution		
2.2	Do you, or any person connected with by the procuring entity?	n the bidder, have a relationship with a	any person employed	YES / NO		
2.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:					
2.3		ors / trustees / shareholders / membring the enterprise have any interest lding for this contract?		YES / NO		

² the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

2.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:
3.	DECLARATION
•	dersigned, (name) in submitting the accompanying bid, by make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect -
3.1	I have read and understand the contents of this disclosure;
3.2	I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3.3	The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium3 will not be construed as collusive bidding.
3.4	In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
3.5	There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
3.6	I am aware that, in addition, and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.
	CERTIFICATION
I CERTI	FY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 AND 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.
SCM IN	PT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT MY BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA STRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN SEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

³ Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

Date	Signature
Position	Name of bidder

SBD 6.1 PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2022

This preference form must form part of all tenders invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for specific goals.

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, TENDERERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF THE TENDER AND PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to invitations to tender:
 - the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).
- 1.2 The applicable preference point system for this tender is the 90/10 preference point system.
- 1.3 Points for this tender (even in the case of a tender for income-generating contracts) shall be awarded for:
 - (a) Price; and
 - (b) Specific Goals.

1.4 The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	90
SPECIFIC GOALS	10
Total points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS	100

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.
- 1.6 The organ of state reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the organ of state.

2. **DEFINITIONS**

- (a) "tender" means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation:
- (b) "price" means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts:
- (c) "rand value" means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

- (d) "tender for income-generating contracts" means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and
- (e) "the Act" means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1.1 THE 80/20 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

 $Ps=80\left(1-rac{Pt-P\,min}{P\,min}
ight)$ or $Ps=90\left(1-rac{Pt-P\,min}{P\,min}
ight)$

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

Table 1: Specific goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below and is based on B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution of the Bidder.

Note to tenderers: The tenderer must indicate how they claim points for each preference point system.

B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (between R2 000 and R50 000 000)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
1	20	
2	18	
3	14	
4	12	
5	8	
6	6	
7	4	
8	2	
Non-compliant contributor	0	

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

Bid Number: NRF/SARAO SCTO/23/2023-24

4.1. Name of company/firm.....

4.2.	Co	mpany r	registration number:							
4.3.	TY	PE OF (COMPANY/ FIRM							
			Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium		Personal Liability Company					
			One-person business/sole propriety		(Pty) Limited					
			Close corporation		Non-Profit Company					
			Public Company		State Owned Company					
	[Tid	CK APPL	ICABLE BOX]							
4.4.	I, the undersigned, who is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points									
	claimed, based on the specific goals as advised in the tender, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I acknowledge that:									
	i)	The in	formation furnished is true and correct;							
	ii)	ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;								
	iii)	iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 4, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims are correct;								
	iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the condition contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have									
		(a)	disqualify the person from the tendering	g process;						
		(b)	recover costs, losses or damages it person's conduct;	has incurred or so	s incurred or suffered as a result of that					
		uffered as a result of having llation;								
		rs and directors, or only the basis, be restricted from ot exceeding 10 years, after applied; and								
		(e)	forward the matter for criminal prosecu	tion, if deemed ned	eessary.					
	SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)									
		DATE	E:							

ADDRESS:

BID SIGNATURE (SBD 1)

I, the bidder, warrant by signature as having read and accepted each page in this document including any annexures attached to this document. I undertake to supply all or any of the goods, works, and services described in this procurement invitation to SARAO in accordance with the requirements and specifications stipulated in this bid document at the price/s quoted. I confirm that I have satisfied myself as to the correctness and validity of my offer/bid in response to this invitation, covering all my obligations and I accept that any mistakes regarding price(s), rate(s), and calculations are at my own risk. My offer remains binding upon me and open for acceptance by SARAO during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing time of bid invitation. I accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me in terms of this document as the principal liable for the due fulfilment of the subsequent contract conditions if awarded to me.

I declare that during the bidding period did not have access to any SARAO proprietary information or any other matter that may have unfairly placed our bid in a preferential position in relation to any of the other bidder(s).

I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this offer/ bid response.

Bid Number: NRF/SARAO SCTO/23/2023-24

NB: Failure to provide / or comply with any of the above particulars may render the bid invalid.
Signature of bidder:

Capacity under which this bid is signed (Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

ANNEXURES			
Annexure Number	Annexure Links and Title		
A	SARAO Site Area of Interest – Cape Town Central		

ANNEXURE A

