

# **Eastern Cape CET College**

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# **REQUEST FOR QUOTATION (RFQ)**

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THE PROVISION OF NEW VENTURE CREATION TRAINING FOR 8 LECTURERS FOR THE PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS

REFERENCE: RFQ/ECCETC/HO/NSF/04/2025

**CLOSING DATE: 04 AUGUST 2025** 

**CLOSING TIME: 11:00** 

INVITATION TO QOUTE SBD1

# YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO QUOTE FOR THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE EASTERN CAPE COMMUNITY EDUCATION AND TRAINING COLLEGE (EC CET College)

DESCRIPTION: THE PROVISION OF NEW VENTURE CREATION TRAINING FOR 8 LECTURERS FOR THE PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS

# **REQUEST FOR QUOTE CONTACT PERSONS:**

Enquiries should be directed to:

Ms. Z Magi Email: zmagi@ec.cetc.edu.za Tel: 043 753 0060 (Bidding process)

**SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS** 

Proposals must be submitted via email to the following email addresses:

i) zmagi@ec.cetc.edu.za

Between 08h00-16h30(Monday to Friday).

Closing date for quotation: 04 AUGUST @ 11:00

# NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE

# THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS MUST BE PROVIDED:

(FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN YOUR BID BEING DISQUALIFIED)

NAME OF BIDDER
POSTAL ADDRESS
STREET ADDRESS
CELLPHONE NUMBERTEL NUMBER
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER EMAIL
NAME OF SIGNITORY
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER DATE:
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:
TOTAL BID PRICE INCLUDING VAT

# **Eastern Cape CET College**





#### **RFQ NOTICE**

RFQ DESCRIPTION	RFQ NUMBER	COMPULSORY BRIEFING	CLOSING DATE
THE PROVISION OF NEW VENTURE	RFQ/ECCETC/HO/NSF/04/2025	· ·	04 AUGUST 2025
CREATION		Monday, 21 July 2025	
TRAINING FOR 8			CLOSING TIME:
LECTURERS FOR		12H00 - 13H00	11:00am
THE PERIOD OF 12			11.00aiii
MONTHS		Meeting ID: 324 270 560 543 5	
		Passcode: Ec3iv3Yh	

Kindly furnish me with a written quotation for the provision of services as detailed in the enclosed specification. The quotations must be submitted before **11:00am** on your business letterhead or stamped with your business stamp. The quotations must be emailed to **zmagi@ec.cetc.edu.za**.

# THE FOLLOWING MANDATORY DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE TENDER DOCUMENT AND FAILURE TO SUBMIT WILL LEAD TO THE QUOTATION BEING DECLARED NON-RESPONSIVE:

- Valid tax clearance certificate and tax compliance status documents with pin from SARS must be attached.
- · A copy of business entity registration certificate e.g., CK Document
- A certified ID copy/s of company directors.
- Municipal Statement of account not older than three (3) months or Lease agreement if renting premises stating that the bidder is not obliged to pay municipal rates or letter from Ward Council confirming proof of address (rural areas bidders only)
- Proof of registration with Central Supplier Database (CSD) must be attached.
- · Detailed Pricing schedule.
- Completed SBD 4;8 and 9
- If the Bid Sum as per the SBD.1 differs from the SBD 3.1, it will automatically invalidate the offer submitted.
- Proof of valid Accreditation Certificate with QCTO/HWSETA

#### Please note the following:

- This document must be completed with non-erasable ink. Any document completed with pencil will not be acceptable and shall be disqualified.
- Ensure that there are no errors or omissions as this may lead to Quotations being declared nonresponsive.
- The submission should be entirely legible. Any changes made to the original text of bid should be crossed through and signed for.
   DO NOT USE CORRECTION FLUID as this may invalidate your submission

# **Evaluation Criteria for this procurement will be as follows:**

- Stage 1 Functionality
- Stage 2 Price and Preferential Points System.

Price Points = 80Specific goals = 20TOTAL = 100

<sup>&</sup>quot;On the 04 November, the minister of Finance gazetted new Preferential Procurement Regulations (2022 Regulations) under the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework act, 2000 (PPPFA), this was aimed at aligning the regulations to the February 2022 Constitutional Court judgement. That judgement ruled that the Minister exceeded his powers in prescribing the 2017 Regulations. The Public Procurement Bill is being finalized, which will empower the Minister of Finance to set preferential procurement, the 2022 Regulations repeal the 2017 Regulations and take effect on the 16 January 2023".

#### SPECIFIC GOAL POINTS BREAKDOWN

SPECIFIC GOALS	PREFERENCE POINTS ALLOCATED OUT OF 20	DOCUMENTATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY BIDDERS TO VALIDATE THEIR CLAIM FOR POINTS
Black ownership: An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by black people	3	CIPC (Company registration)     CSD report clearly indicating the percentage shareholding of all owners, (the ownership status of the 2 documents must correspond in order to be awarded points)
Women ownership: An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by women	5	CIPC (Company registration)     CSD report clearly indicating the percentage shareholding of all owners, (the ownership status of the 2 documents must correspond in order to be awarded points)
Youth ownership: An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by youth (up to 35 years of age)	5	CIPC (Company registration)'     CSD report clearly indicating the percentage shareholding of all owners, (the ownership status of the 2 documents must correspond in order to be awarded points)
<b>Disability:</b> An EME or QSE which is at least 51% owned by people with disability	5	<ul> <li>CIPC (Company registration)</li> <li>CSD report clearly indicating the percentage shareholding of all owners, (the ownership status of the 2 documents must correspond in order to be awarded points) Medical certificate.</li> <li>SASSA registration or confirmation of disability from a relevant authority.</li> </ul>
Locality: Located in the Eastern Cape	2	Municipal rates account OR     Letter from councilor confirming residence or Lease Agreement
Non – submissions	0	No points will be claimed if the bidders failed to submit the required documents

# BIDDERS SHOULD TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING BID CONDITIONS:

- Eastern Cape CET College Supply Chain Management Policy will apply.
- Eastern Cape CET College does not bind itself to accept the lowest bid or any other bid and reserves the right to accept the whole or part of the bid.
- O Quotations which are late, incomplete, unsigned, will not be accepted.
- **O** Quotations submitted are to hold good for a period of **30 days**.
- O No bids will be considered from persons in the service of the state.
- The 80/20 preferential procurement point system will be applied.

# Enquiries should be directed to:

Ms. Z Magi Email: zmagi@ec.cetc.edu.za Tel: 043 753 0060

# SPECIFICATION

# **BACKGROUND**

The Community Education and Training (CET) Colleges came into existence on 1 April 2015 when the Public Adult Learning Centres (PALCs) migrated from the Provincial Education Departments (PEDs) to the Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET). The PALCs became the Community Learning Centres (CLCs) and were merged under the CET Colleges.

The mandate of the Colleges is to provide quality and relevant Education and Training programmes for youth and adults to improve their livelihoods. The CET Colleges, through the CLCs, offer programmes that will ensure that students attain skills that will enable them to either find employment or establish their own enterprises which are Community needs based. The College is situated in the Eastern Cape in South Africa. Governance of the College rests with the Council subject to the relevant statutes and policies. Management structure of the College consists of the Principal and three Deputy Principals. The CET College operates in accordance with the requirements laid down in the Continuing Education and Training Act, Act No.16 of 2006.

#### SCOPE AND DEFINITION OF WORK

The College seeks to appoint a service provider for the provision of New Venture Creations Training for 8 lecturers.

#### **PURPOSE**

**Unit standard title: New Venture Creation** 

Unit standard ID: 66249

NQF Level: Level 4

Credits: 149

Duration: 1 year

Number of Staff to be trained: 8

Location where course is/will be conducted: Online/ Contact learning [East London]

Training Provider to provide training venue

#### PURPOSE AND RATIONALE OF THE QUALIFICATION

The purpose of the Qualification is to develop the appropriate skills and knowledge required by a person for the establishment and development of a small to medium business venture, and address the economic, administrative and behavioural (psycho-social) barriers that contribute to success in starting and sustaining the venture.

This qualification is intended for persons who wish to start, operate, manage and grow a new small to medium business venture. Learners attempting this qualification will be equipped with a variety of technical, business managerial and personal skills and strategies to help them succeed in the creation and sustenance of a business. The successful learner will develop a sound foundation for the application of these skills and knowledge to explore a diverse range of entrepreneurial opportunities.

Recipients of this qualification will be able to:

- Demonstrate an ability to identify and create a new venture.
- Demonstrate knowledge of interpersonal skills required in a business environment.
- Demonstrate an understanding of basic economics within a market economy.
- Manage a new venture by applying business principles and techniques.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the role of leadership and management.

**LEARNING ASSUMED TO BE IN PLACE AND RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING** It is assumed that the learner has the following knowledge and skills:

- Communication at NQF Level 3.
- Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 3.

# Recognition of Prior Learning:

This Qualification makes the Recognition of Prior Learning possible, if the learner is able to demonstrate competence in the knowledge, skills, values and attitudes implicit in this Marketing Qualification. Recognition of Prior Learning will be done by means of an Integrated Assessment as mentioned in the previous paragraph.

This Recognition of Prior Learning may allow:

- For accelerated access to further learning.
- Gaining of credits towards a unit standard.
- For full or partial recognition of the Qualification.

All recognition of Prior Learning is subject to quality assurance by the relevant accredited Education, Training, Quality, and Assurance Body and is conducted by a registered workplace assessor. Because the standards are only core and fundamental, these standards may have been acquired in a range of economic sectors and these will be recognized as appropriate.

Access to the Qualification:

There is an open access to this qualification, keeping in mind the "Learning Assumed to be in Place".

# RECOGNISE PREVIOUS LEARNING? QUALIFICATION RULES

The Qualification consists of a Fundamental, a Core and an Elective Component.

To be awarded the Qualification learners are required to obtain a minimum of 149 credits as detailed below.

#### **Fundamental Component:**

The Fundamental Component consists of Unit Standards in:

- Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 4 to the value of 16 credits.
- Communication at NQF Level 4 in a First South African Language to the value of 20 credits.
- Communication in a Second South African Language at NQF Level 3 to the value of 20 credits.

It is compulsory therefore for learners to do Communication in two different South African languages, one at NQF Level 4 and the other at NQF Level 3.

All Unit Standards in the Fundamental Component are compulsory.

# Core Component:

The Core Component consists of Unit Standards to the value of 82 credits all of which are compulsory.

# **Elective Component:**

The Elective Component consists of individual unit standards from which the learner must choose unit standards totalling a minimum of 11 credits.

#### **EXIT LEVEL OUTCOMES**

- 1. Demonstrate an ability to identify and create a new venture.
- 2. Demonstrate knowledge of interpersonal skills required in a business environment.
- 3. Demonstrate an understanding of basic economics within an market economy.
- 4. Manage a new venture by applying business principles and techniques.
- 5. Demonstrate an understanding of the role of leadership and management.

# **FUNCTIONALITY CRITERIA**

Only bidders that have met the pre-qualification criteria will be evaluated for functional evaluation. An assessment of Functionality will be based on the evaluation criteria noted in the table below. Each of the evaluation criteria in the table will carry a weighting as indicated,

Bidders will be required to achieve a minimum score 60% (or 60 points), for Functionality in order to qualify to proceed to next phase, which will be presentation. To ensure simplification, the total functionality score will be rated out of a total of 100. Price and Preference Points System evaluation

FUNCTIONALITY	REQUIRED EVIDENCE	WEIGHT	MAX VALUE
1. Experience			
(a) Number of clients (contactal years.	ole references) that the bidder has	successfully s	erviced in the past 5
5 or more reference letters of relevant experience	Experience in conducting training or workshops in the past five (5) years within public	40	5
3-4 reference letters of relevant experience	sector environment, bidders must attach reference letters on client's letterhead with		4
1-2 reference letters of relevant experience	contactable references.		3
0 reference letters of relevant experience			
2. Expertise and Capacity of	the Trainer or facilitator	l	
Trainer or facilitator experience		T	
>10 years' experience	The trainer or facilitator must have at least 3 years' experience in New Venture Creation and must have at least three (3)	20	5
5 to 10 years' experience	years' experience in facilitating workshops and/or conferences, .CV and certified copy of qualification of the Trainer or		4
3 to 4 years' experience	facilitator depicting at least three (3) years' experience in leading similar projects. NB: No points will be claimed where the above is not attached.		3

	FUNCTIONALITY	REQUIRED EVIDENCE	WEIGHT	MAX VALUE
3.	Methodology			
	Methodology and approach address all areas in detail and is comprehensively described.  Methodology and approach address some areas in detail and is comprehensively described Inadequate Methodology and Approach	Details of the proposed approach to be adopted in order to deliver the service in accordance with the terms of reference: Approach and Methodology.  The bidder must provide a comprehensive detail of the methodology and process to be adopted to fulfil the assignments	20	3
4.	Locality			
	Based in Eastern C Outside Eastern Ca	•	20	
TOTAL			100	

# PRICING SCHEDULE - FIRM PRICES (PURCHASES)

NOTE: ONLY FIRM PRICES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NON-FIRM PRICES (INCLUDING PRICES

SUBJECT TO RATES OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

IN CASES WHERE DIFFERENT DELIVERY POINTS INFLUENCE THE PRICING, A SEPARATE PRICING SCHEDULE MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH DELIVERY POINT

OFI	FER TO BE VALID FOR				
n	Description		Quantity	Unit Price	Total Amount in Rands Vat Inclusive
ining	Training of New Venture duration of 12 months	Creations for the	8		
				TOTAL	
				VAT (15%)	
Total :	must be transferred to S	BD 1, failure to do s	so will lead t	TOTAL CARRIED TO SBD 1 to the bid/RFQ be	eing disqualified.
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#### CONDITIONS OF THE REQUEST FOR QUOTATION

#### General

- 1. This RFQ is not intended to form the basis of a decision to enter into any transaction involving EC CET COLLEGE and does not constitute an offer or recommendation to enter into such transaction, or an intention to enter any legal relationship with any person.
- 2. The RFQ has been compiled by EC CET COLLEGE and is being made available, on the same basis to all Bidders.
- 3. Bidders submitting a Bid in response to this RFQ will be deemed to do so on the basis that they acknowledge and accept the terms set out below. Neither EC CET COLLEGE nor any of their respective directors, officers, employees, agents, representatives, or advisors will assume any obligation for any costs or expenses incurred by any party in or associated with preparation or submitting a Bid in response to the RFQ.
- 4. The bidder is responsible for all the costs that they shall incur related to the preparation and submission of the bid document.
- 5. Kindly note that EC CET COLLEGE is entitled to amend any bid conditions, validity period, specifications, or extend the closing date of bids before the closing date.
- The EC CET College reserves that right not to accept the lowest bid price of any tender in part or in whole. It normally awards the contract to the bidder who proves to be fully capable of handling the contract in terms of outputs and services and who is financially advantageous to EC CET COLLEGE.
- 7. The EC CET COLLEGE reserves the right to accept any Bid in whole or in part. Where a Bid is accepted in part, the price shall be adjusted in accordance with the pricing schedule indicated on the Bid.
- 8. The EC CET COLLEGE also reserves the right to award this bid to a pure empowerment entity.
- 9. All communication and attempts to solicit information of any kind relative to this tender should be in writing and channelled to: <a href="mailto:zmagi@ec.cetc.edu.za">zmagi@ec.cetc.edu.za</a>

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

- 1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state\*, or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes a price quotation, advertised competitive bid, limited bid or proposal). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority and/or take an oath declaring his/her interest, where-
  - the bidder is employed by the state; and/or
  - the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

2.	In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.
2.1	Full Name of bidder or his or her representative:
2.2	Identity Number:
2.3	Position occupied in the Company (director, shareholder etc):
2.4	Company Registration Number:
2.5	Tax Reference Number:
2.6	VAT Registration Number:
* "State	e" means –
Oluk	<ul> <li>(a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999).</li> <li>(b) any municipality or municipal entity.</li> <li>(c) provincial legislature.</li> <li>(d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or (e) Parliament.</li> </ul>
	e you or any person connected with the bidder YES / NO presently yed by the state.?
2.7.1	If so, furnish the following particulars:  Name of person / director / shareholder/ member:  Name of state institution to which the person is connected:  Position occupied in the state institution:

sharel	your spouse, or any of the company's directors / nolders / members or their spouses conduct business w previous twelve months?	YES / NO ith the state
2.8.1 If so, fu	urnish particulars:	
2.9 Do y	you, or any person connected with the bidder, have	
by ti	relationship (family, friend, other) with a person emplo he state and who may be involved with the luation and or adjudication of this bid?	oyed
2.9.1 If so	o, furnish particulars.	
		YES / NO
2.10 A	Are you, or any person connected with the bidder,	
aware o	f any relationship (family, friend, other) between the bid	dder
and any perso	n employed by the state who may be involved with the	
evaluation and	d or adjudication of this bid?	
2.10.1 If so	o, furnish particulars.	
		YES / NO
company have an	r any of the directors /shareholders/ members of the ny interest in any other related companies whether dding for this contract?	
2.11.1 If so, fu	rnish particulars:	

# **DECLARATION**

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME	)
CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION CORRECT.	ATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 2.1 TO 2.11.1 ABOVE IS
	MAY ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 23 OF THE ONTRACT SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE
Oi-mark was	Data
Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder

# **DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES**

- 1. This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all Quotations invited.
- 2. It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that, when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- 3. The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder or any of its directors have
  - **a.** abused the institution's supply chain management system.
  - **b.** committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
  - **c.** failed to perform on any previous contract.

4. In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector?	Yes	No
	(Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the restriction after the audi alteram partem rule was applied).		
	The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.		
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)?	Yes	No
	The Register for Tender Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.		
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes	No

4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during	Yes	No
	the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?		
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
	CERTIFICATION		
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	NDERSIGNED (FULL NAME)	_ TRUE AI	ND
	T THAT, IN ADDITION TO CANCELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ACTION MAY E T ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.	3E TAKE	ΕN
	Signature Date	20	
	Position Name o	f Bidder	,

# **CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION**

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all Quotations<sup>1</sup> invited.
- Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).<sup>2</sup> Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
  - a. disregards the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
  - b. cancels a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.

This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when Quotations are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.

In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

# **CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION**

I, the undersigned, in s	ubmitting the accompanying bid:	
Bid No	Description	(Bid
	Number and Description)	
·	ation for the bid made by Eastern Cape CET  to be true and complete in every respect:	College, do hereby make the following
I certify, on behalf of:		that:
	(Name of Bidder) I	
have read and I unders	tand the contents of this Certificate.	
I understand that the a	ccompanying bid will be disqualified if this	Certificate is found not to be true and
complete in every resp	ect.	

I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder.

Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder.

For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:

- (a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation.
- (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
- (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder.

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 consortium<sup>3</sup> will not be construed as collusive bidding.

In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding: prices. geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation) (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices.

- (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid.
- (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
- (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.

In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements, or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.

The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to Quotations and contracts, Quotations 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.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of Bidder

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes price quotations, advertised competitive Quotations, limited Quotations, and proposals.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices, or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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.