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Invitation to Submit Bids Bid Number: SAMRC/ATODRU-POLS/2022/04 Provision of Outsourced Laboratory Services

The South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC), invites proposals from suitably qualified and experienced laboratory service providers to perform general and/or clinical trial samples processing/testing, on an as-and-when-needed-basis. It is envisaged that requirements for testing may differ from time to time depending on the client and/or sponsor requirements. Bidders must at least have SANAS accreditation. The successful bidder(s) will be required to render services as per scope of work detailed in the bid document and be compliant to rules and regulations.

A non-compulsory virtual briefing session will be held at the SAMRC on 27 July 2022 @ 11:00 and if prospective supplier(s) that wish to attend the briefing sessions, they should email their Microsoft Teams' credentials to: tenders@mrc.ac.za prior to the meeting date.

Completed bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing bidder's company name, address, bid description and number, and hand delivered or mailed to: South African Medical Research Council, Tender Box No. 2, Francie van Zijl Drive, Parow Valley, Tygerberg, 7580, Western Cape; and must arrive before the closing date and time. Late, faxed or e-mailed bids will not be accepted. One (1) original hard copy of completed bid document and 1 USB flash drive containing full and same tender information as in the hard copy (PDF format) must be submitted.

Alternately, bidder(s) can submit their completed bids proposals with supporting documents through the SAMRC website ([Current Tenders | South African Medical Research Council \(samrc.ac.za\)](http://www.mrc.ac.za/CurrentTenders))

Responsive bids will firstly be evaluated on functionality and thereafter on an 80/20 preference point system in terms of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act 5 of 2000) and Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017.

Please note that:

- This bid is valid for one hundred and twenty (120) days after closing date for the submission of bids;
- It is **compulsory** that bidders obtain bid documents, available for downloading on the SAMRC website (<http://www.mrc.ac.za/Tenders/tenders.htm>) from 15 July 2022 to 12 August 2022. No hardcopy bid document will be issued by the SAMRC;
- Bidders must register on the National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD) prior to submitting bids, by login onto <https://secure.csd.gov.za/>. With effect from 1 July 2016, SAMRC may not award any bid to supplier not registered as prospective supplier on CSD. Submit with this bid your CSD supplier number and unique registration reference number for SAMRC to verify your company's registration on CSD;
- Negotiations for the bid award will only be concluded with the qualifying bidder(s) who is/are registered on the CSD and whom key information outlined in this bid document is in order;
- Bidder(s) are **required** to submit 1 original hard copy document and 1 USB flash drive or CD-ROM with full information as per original hard copy (PDF format), as indicated above in this advert;
- None complies with all submission requirements **may** lead to disqualification of the bidder(s);
- The SAMRC is not compelled to accept lowest or alternative bid, and reserves the right to accept part or the whole of any bid or cancel the bid;
- Bidder(s) must be able to supply all the required items as indicated in the bid specifications;
- Documents and USB flash drives submitted on time by bidders shall not be returned;
- Appointment will be subject to successful bidder agreeing to sign a service level agreement with the SAMRC to adhere to the terms and conditions set out in the bid document;
- It is envisaged that the SAMRC will conclude service contract with successful bidder for a period of 36 months, reviewed annually and may be extended with further 24 months at SAMRC discretion;

All technical enquiries may be directed in writing to Tara Carney (tara.carney@mrc.ac.za) and any other enquiries related to the bid process may be directed in writing to Supply Chain Management (tenders@mrc.ac.za). The bid number should be quoted in all correspondence. No telephonic enquiries will be responded to.

The closing date and time for the submission of bids is Wednesday, 12 August 2022 at 11H00