

Human Sciences Research Council (HSRC)

INVITATION TO BID

Bid Description: Appointment of a service provider to provide 2019-2021 Business Innovation Survey Fieldwork

Bid Number: HSRC/06/2021/22

1. Introduction:

The Centre for Science, Technology and Innovation Indicators (CeSTII) at the HSRC undertakes statistical surveys and research to monitor indicators for science, technology and innovation in South Africa, Research and Development (R&D), and human resources in science and technology. CeSTII's two flagship surveys, the South African National Research and Experimental Development (R&D) Survey and the South African Business Innovation Survey (BIS)¹, provide important data for analytical studies and the production of national science and technology (S&T) indicators on behalf of the Department of Science and Innovation (DSI).

The BIS measures the extent of innovative activity in the industry and service sectors of the economy, and is based on the guidelines of the OECD/Eurostat Oslo Manual² and the core EU Community Innovation Survey (CIS). Since 2005, CeSTII has conducted four rounds of the BIS, covering the periods 2002-2004, 2005-2007, 2010-2012, and 2014-2016. Preparations for the next survey round (which will collect data pertaining to the period 2019-2021) are underway, and the fieldwork is due to begin in February 2022. CeSTII seeks to appoint a reputable research firm to carry out the fieldwork and deliver high quality data.

2. Evaluation Criteria:

Preference Points System: **80/20** (Price: 80 and B-BBEE: 20).

NB: The minimum threshold on functionality is **70%** to qualify for further evaluation stages.

¹ <http://www.hsrc.ac.za/en/departments/cestii/sa-business-innovation-survey>

² <https://www.oecd.org/science/oslo-manual-2018-9789264304604-en.htm>

3. Access to Bid Documents:

Bid documents will be free of charge and available on the HSRC website (www.hsrc.ac.za). Bid documents must be deposited into the HSRC Tender Box at HSRC building, 134 Pretorius Street, Pretoria.

NB: The HSRC shares the building with the Department of Social Development. Bidders are requested to ensure that their proposals are deposited into the correct tender box.

4. Non - Compulsory Briefing Session: 24 August 2021 at 11:00

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/92942211328?pwd=cEZaeG44bTNybTJZUkpVWGVjOEE5QT09>

Meeting ID: 929 4221 1328

Passcode: 749969

5. Bid closing date: 10 September 2021 at 11:00.

6. Contact Details:

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