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First Raadsaal	Eerste Raadsaal
Wagon Museum	Waenhuismuseum
Florisbad Research Station	Florisbad-navorsingstasie

REQUEST FOR QUOTE:

RFQ	REQUEST FOR QUOTE FOR ONCE-OFF SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF MICROSCOPE
ISSUE DATE	24 March 2026
CLOSING DATE	03 April 2026
CLOSING TIME	15:00
METHOD OF ISSUE	Email to scm@nasmus.co.za
FOR QUERIES	Mr. G. Dlamini scm@nasmus.co.za

BRIEFING SESSION	n/a
DATE	n/a
TIME	n/a
VENUE	n/a

1. Background to the National Museum

The National Museum - a natural history, cultural history and art museum was established in 1877 and is a declared cultural institution, which resorts under the Department of Arts and Culture and is governed by a council. The mission of the National Museum is to provide heritage resources and an enjoyable experience to all people through quality research, conservation, education and exhibitions. More information about the organisation can be found at www.nasmus.co.za

2. Purpose and Background

The National Museum requires a suitable and reputable supplier who will supply and deliver a microscope, as specified below to the National Museum Premises, 36 Aliwal Street, Bloemfontein CBD, 9300.

3. Specifications of Good(s)

Qty	Product	Item Description/Specifications
1	Research Stereo Microscope	DPX-864NT, Research Stereo Microscope with a zoom range of 8:1,

		and trinocular head. Including: 1X achromat lens (N.A. 0.09) and W.D 78mm and 0.5X Plan Apochromatic (N.A. 0.05)
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4 Compulsory requirements

The bidder must attach the following documents to the quotation as follows.

- 4.1.1** Completed and signed SBD form 4
- 4.1.2** CSD supplier registration document
- 4.1.3** Conformance to specifications. Bidders are compelled to complete the price schedule on part 7 of this bid document.
- 4.1.4** Proof of business operations address, in a form of a municipality's rates and taxes account statement or a lease agreement where the bidder is leasing.
- 4.1.5** The bidder must be an active company registered in the Republic of South Africa, and a copy of CIPC registration documents must be attached.
- 4.1.6** Bidders should offer a warranty for all products.
- 4.1.7** the bidder must be tax compliant The museum reserves the right to check the bidder's tax compliance status on CSD.

5 Other required documents (Not compulsory)

- 5.1.1** a valid copy of BBBEE certificate or completed and signed BBBEE declaration must be attached, whereby the bidder is claiming points on specific goals.

Matters for noting.

1. All bidders are welcome to participate in the bid, however preference will be given to local businesses (operating in the Mangaung Local Municipality).
2. Non-compliance to the above compulsory requirements will lead to a disqualification of the service provider, except where non-tax compliant with tax matters which is subject to grace period of at least 7 days that will be provided to a preferred service provider should that service provider be non-compliant following bid evaluation.

3. Failure by this preferred service provider to rectify its tax matters to a compliant status within the seven (7) days grace period provided will lead to an automatic disqualification.
4. Validity period for bids or formal written quotations submitted shall be valid for a minimum period of 90 days. The formal written price quotations received from the service provider/supplier will be regarded as valid for 90 days despite expiry date less than 90 days indicated on a quote.

6. Bid Evaluation.

All bidders will be subject to a two-staged tactical procurement evaluation process as follows.

- 5.1 the bidder will be pre-screened to be eligible for preferential procurement evaluation below.
- 5.2 the bidder will then be selected to preferential procurement evaluation of 80/20. 80 points for lowest price and 20 points for specific goals

7. Price

The bidder must provide a cost inclusive quotation including VAT if applicable. The financial offer must be provided in the table below.

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SUB-TOTAL			R
DELIVERY COST			R
VAT @ 15%			R
TOTAL (INCLUSIVE)			R

8 Preferential procurement

	Preference Points Criteria	Points Allocation
1	Price	80
2	Specific goals	20
	Total Points	100

In accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulations of 2022, NM has determined the following specific goals for which preference points will be awarded:

Goal 1: Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment

Section 10 of the B-BBEE Act enjoins every public entity to take into account and apply the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice in determining and implementing a preferential procurement policy. NM will thus award preference points to suppliers based on their B-BBEE specific preferential goals.

Goal 2: Empowerment of Local Businesses

NM is in the Free State, a rural province on the margins of economic activity. To develop and empower local businesses based in the Free State, NM will award preference point to suppliers based in the Free State.

Goal 3: Youth Empowerment

Youth participation in the economy is crucial for the growth and development of the South African economy, but their participation has been limited by several factors. One of the main challenges for youth has been the high levels of unemployment. The unemployment rate for young people in South Africa is much higher than the national average, which makes it difficult for them to enter the labour market and participate in the economy.

In an effort to empower youth and encourage their participation in the economy, NM will award preference points to businesses which are at least 51% owned by youth.

Goal 4: Women Empowerment

Women participation in the economy is crucial for the growth and development of the South African economy, but their participation has been limited by several factors. For women, the challenge has been unequal access to economic opportunities, including education, training, and employment. Women in South Africa often face discrimination and gender-based violence, which can limit their ability to participate in the economy.

Additionally, women tend to be concentrated in low-paying, informal sector jobs, which offer little security and limited opportunities for advancement.

To empower women and encourage their participation in the economy, NM will award preference points to businesses which are at least 51% owned by women.

Goal 5: Empowerment of People with Disabilities

People with disabilities face significant barriers to participating in the South African economy. According to the World Bank, about seven million South Africans have some form of disability, and they are more likely to experience poverty and unemployment compared to those without disabilities.

People with disabilities often face discrimination in the labour market and have limited access to education, training, and employment opportunities. They may also face physical and attitudinal barriers, making it difficult for them to fully participate in the economy.

In an effort to empower people with disabilities and encourage their participation in the economy, NM will award preference points to businesses which are at least 51% owned by people with disabilities.

Points awarded for each goal

Preferential points will be awarded as per below scoring:

CRITERION	80/20	90/10
B-BBEE Status	4	2
Businesses Based in the Free State	4	2
Ownership by Youth	4	2
Ownership by Women	4	2
Ownership by People with Disabilities	4	2
	20	10

B-BBEE Status Points will be awarded as per below:

B-BBEE STATUS	80/20	90/10
Level 1	4	2

Level 2	3	1.5
Level 3	2	1
Level 4 and below	1	0.5
Non-compliant	0	0

Ownership Points for Youth, Women, and People with Disabilities will be awarded as per below:

OWNERSHIP	80/20	90/10
Above 50%	4	2
Above 40%	3	1.5
Above 25%	2	1
Above 10%	1	0.5

Proof of claim

Service providers must submit valid proof of claim for any of the above criteria as stipulated in the bid documents. Failure to submit proof of claim will not disqualify a bid but will result in points not being awarded for any criterion for which proof of claim has not been submitted or is invalid.