



**SARAO**

South African Radio  
Astronomy Observatory

**BID REFERENCE: NRF/SARAO SDP/01/2025-26**

**SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION OF DATA STORAGE SERVERS,  
MONITOR SERVERS AND HIGH SPEED NETWORKING EQUIPMENT AT THE  
CENTRE FOR HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING (CHPC)**

**BID INVITATION NOTICE**

The South African Radio Astronomy Observatory ('SARAO') hereby invites submissions for the following tender -

Bid Number	Bid Description	Bid Closing Date and Time
NRF/SARAO SDP/01/2025-26	SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION OF DATA STORAGE SERVERS, MONITOR SERVERS AND HIGH SPEED NETWORKING EQUIPMENT AT THE CENTRE FOR HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING (CHPC)	Friday, 16 May 2025 at 12.00PM

**COMPULSORY TENDER CLARIFICATION MEETING:**

A compulsory tender clarification meeting will take place as follows –

Date – Wednesday, 23 April 2025

Time - 10.00AM

Zoom Link - To register in advance for the briefing session, click on the following link:  
<https://ska.zoom.us/meeting/register/WQQeuwBLRfmI0SfRYJ3hTA>

After registering, bidders will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Persons attending the clarification meeting must be duly authorised to represent the bidder. Any bid submitted by a bidder not represented at the clarification meeting will be rejected.

**PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT SYSTEM:**

The 90/10 price and preference points system, as prescribed by Section 4 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022 issued under the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, (Act No 5 of 2000) (PPPFA) will be applied to evaluate this bid

**EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

Bidders must satisfy the evaluation criteria in Stages 1 and 2 of the bid selection process in order to be evaluated further on price and preference (Stage 3). Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

**BID SUBMISSION:**

Electronic submissions must be sent to [tenders@sarao.ac.za](mailto:tenders@sarao.ac.za) on or before the closing date, **Friday, 16 May 2025 at 12.00PM.**

Bids received after the closing date and/or time will be disqualified.

Bids must be submitted in separate electronic folders, one with the compliance and technical response, and the other with the financial response. Technical submissions must be in searchable PDF format.

Bidders may use WeTransfer, Dropbox or Google Drive to submit their bid submissions.

The bid documentation may be accessed on the SRAO website: <http://www.sarao.ac.za/tenders/>, or the National Treasury E-tenders portal: <http://www.etenders.gov.za>

**BID ENQUIRIES:**

For technical queries, contact Hugo Hamman, Email: [hhamman@sarao.ac.za](mailto:hhamman@sarao.ac.za)

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