

### REQUEST FOR PRICE QUOTATION

Dtic/HR/SSL/25: The Department of Trade and Industry ( <i>the dtic</i> ) invites interested service providers to provide South African Sign Language Interpretation Services in the dtic offices for the period of three (3) years

Request for Quotation on behalf of the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (the dtic)

**The dtic** hereby invites suitable service providers to provide the Department with a quotation in accordance with requirements as per Annexure A.

### Service Provider Details

To be completed by the service provider:

Name of service provider		
CSD service provider Number	MAAA	
Contact person		
Email address		
Telephone number		

### **Enquiry and Closing Details**

For office use only:

Contact person	Ms M Makatola
E-mail address	MMakatola@thedtic.gov.za
Telephone number	
Closing date and time for quotation	13 September 2025 @ 16h00
Quotations to be e-mailed to the	RFQs@thedtic.gov.za
dtic provided email	

### **Terms and Conditions**

- 1. Quotations should be dated and signed preferably on the company's letterhead.
- 2. Quotations received after the closing date and time will not be considered.
- Quotations received will be evaluated firstly on pre-compliance evaluation, then on functionality evaluation (IF APPLICABLE), and thereafter 80/20 point scoring basis. The 80 points will be for price and 20 points for preferential procurement specific goals.
- 4. No quotation will be considered from service providers employed by the state.
- 5. Quotations should be valid for a minimum period of 60 days from the date the RFQ closed.
- All prices quoted must be VAT inclusive, service providers not registered for VAT must indicate this clearly on their quotation. For VAT vendors, if no indication is provided quotations will be evaluated as VAT inclusive.
- 7. The attached SBD 1, SBD 4, RFQ with POPIA consent form must be completed in full and submitted together with the quotation.
- Bidders who wish to claim for preferential procurement points applicable to this RFQ must ensure that the SBD 6.1 claim form is completed and accompanied by the relevant proof required. Failure on the part of the bidder to complete table 1 of SBD 6.1, it will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed irrespective of the relevant proofs attached.

HDI(Race, Women and People with disabilities)

- Submit proof of disability (Letter from General Practitioner/specialist with regard to your disability is required to substantiate a claim)
- Proof of Race and women-attach latest CSD report



Small Medium Micro Enterprises (SMME's)

Sars return indicating annual turnover/ B-BBEE certificate/ CIPC B-BBEE certificate / Swom Affidavit fully completed as per B-BBEE guide paragraph 17

Local Procurement (Provincial / Municipal)

Proof of address (municipal rates/ bank statements/ lease agreement / affidavit or any lates

B-BBEE compliance based on Section 10 of the B-BBEE Act (Act 53 of 2003 as amended by Act 46 of 2013)

- B-BBEE certificate/ CIPC B-BBEE certificate / sworn Affidavit completed as per BBBEE guide paragraph 17
- 9. Failure on the part of a service provider to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this RFQ to claim points for specific goals with the RFQ, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.
- 10. Service providers who wish to render services to the dtic must register on CSD and ensure banking details are verified.
- 11. All prices quoted MUST be firm for the duration of the contract. Where Rate of Exchange is applicable, conditions must be stipulated on the quotation.
- 12. All quotations must be strictly in accordance with Annexure A.
- 13. Incomplete pricing will lead to automatic disqualification as it will not be possible to compare the price with other bid prices.
- 14. Additional pricing may also lead to automatic disqualification as it will not be possible to compare the price with other bid prices.
- 15. the dtic reserves the right to appoint more than one service provider as deemed necessary, furthermore the department reserves the right not to appoint.
- 16. Price offered by the service provider scoring the highest points must be reasonable and market related.
- 17. Prospective bidders to take note that the award of this service may be subject to price negations with the preferred service provider(s).
- 18. Parking and travel between the prospective bidder's home/office and **the dtic** will be borne by the service provider.
- 19. Where applicable, the successful service provider(s) will be subject to the condition that both the service provider and its personnel providing the service be subjected to vetting process as determined by the dtic.

### Please note:

### **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

- Quotations will be evaluated based on the 80/20 preference, where 80/20 principle will apply to all procurement with a rand value of up to R50 million (all applicable taxes included)<sup>1</sup>. 80 Points will be allocated for price and 20 points will be used for preferential procurement in line with the specific goals.
- · Refer to SBD 6.1 form for specific goals
- Contract will be awarded to the bidder who scores the highest total points<sup>2</sup>
- This RFQ is line with the PREFERENTIAL PROCURENT REGULATION 2022

<sup>1</sup> "all applicable taxes" includes value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> "highest total points" equals the point scored for price added to the points for preferential procurement and RDP goals.







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### POPIA CONSENT FORM

The Bidder and the proposed team/ individuals proposed by the Bidding entity to perform work in line with the requirements stipulated in this request for quotation(RFQ) document, hereby give their consent to **the dtic** and its Officials involved in the evaluation / recommendation / award / drafting of SLA / verification of submissions, processing of purchase orders and invoices, to process our personal information for all purposes related to this request for quotation (RFQ) process and possible subsequent contract, in accordance with the provisions of the Protection of Personal Information (POPI) Act, 2013 (Act no. 4 of 2013) & Protection of Information Act, 1982 (Act no. 84 of 1982),

Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder



Company Name	
Signature	
Date	

**NOTE**: Should a vendor have reason to believe that the specification is not open to promote competition or that it is written based on a particular brand / product / entity; the vendor shall notify the SCM Unit of **the dtic** within three (3) calendar days after publication of the RFQ.

# PART A INVITATION TO BID

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### PART B

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

### 1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
- 1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED—(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.
- 1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).

#### 2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMITTHEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
- 2.6 WHERE NO TCS PIN IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
- 2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE."

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PA	RTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:	
CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED: (Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)	
DATE:	

### **BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE**

### 1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.

Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

### 2. Bidder's declaration

- 2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest1 in the enterprise, employed by the state?
  YES/NO
- 2.1.1 If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in table below.

<sup>1</sup> the power, by one person or a group of persons holding the majority of the equity of an enterprise, alternatively, the person/s having the deciding vote or power to influence or to direct the course and decisions of the enterprise.

	Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution
2.2	Do you, or any persor with any person who is	n connected with the best semployed by the proc	oidder, have a relationship curing institution? <b>YES/NO</b>
2.2.1	If so, furnish particular	rs:	
2.3	members / partners or	r any person having a	trustees / shareholders / controlling interest in the ated enterprise whether or
	not they are bidding fo	r this contract?	YES/NO
2.3.1	If so, furnish particular	s:	

### 3 DECLARATION

I,(name and sumame) ...... the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 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 consortium2 will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.5 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.
- 3.6 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring

<sup>2</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.

institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.

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

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

Signature	Date
Position	Name of bidder

# PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2022

This preference form must form part of all tenders invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for specific goals.

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, TENDERERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF THE TENDER AND PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022

#### 1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to invitations to tender:
  - the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
  - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

### 1.2 To be completed by the organ of state

(delete whichever is not applicable for this tender).

- a) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the 90/10 preference point system.
- b) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the 80/20 preference point system.
- c) Either the 90/10 or 80/20 preference point system will be applicable in this tender. The lowest/ highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the accurate system once tenders are received.
- 1.3 Points for this tender (even in the case of a tender for income-generating contracts) shall be awarded for:
  - (a) Price; and
  - (b) Specific Goals.

### 1.4 To be completed by the organ of state:

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
SPECIFIC GOALS	20
Total Points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS	100

- 1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.
- 1.6 The organ of state reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the organ of state.

### 2. **DEFINITIONS**

- (a) "tender" means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation to provide goods or services through price quotations, competitive tendering process or any other method envisaged in legislation;
- (b) "price" means an amount of money tendered for goods or services, and includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (c) "rand value" means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;
- (d) "tender for income-generating contracts" means a written offer in the form determined by an organ of state in response to an invitation for the origination of income-generating contracts through any method envisaged in legislation that will result in a legal agreement between the organ of state and a third party that produces revenue for the organ of state, and includes, but is not limited to, leasing and disposal of assets and concession contracts, excluding direct sales and disposal of assets through public auctions; and
- (e) "the Act" means the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, 2000 (Act No. 5 of 2000).

### 3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

### 3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

### 3.1.1 THE 80/20 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20 or 90/10

$$Ps = 80 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - Pmin}{Pmin}\right)$$
 or  $Ps = 90 \left(1 - \frac{Pt - Pmin}{Pmin}\right)$ 

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

# 3.2. FORMULAE FOR DISPOSAL OR LEASING OF STATE ASSETS AND INCOME GENERATING PROCUREMENT

### 3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

$$80/20$$
 or  $90/10$   $Ps = 80\left(1 + \frac{Pt - Pmax}{Pmax}\right)$  or  $Ps = 90\left(1 + \frac{Pt - Pmax}{Pmax}\right)$ 

Where

Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

Pt = Price of tender under consideration

Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

### 4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

- 4.1. In terms of Regulation 4(2); 5(2); 6(2) and 7(2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded for specific goals stated in the tender. For the purposes of this tender the tenderer will be allocated points based on the goals stated in table 1 below as may be supported by proof/ documentation stated in the conditions of this tender:
- 4.2. In cases where organs of state intend to use Regulation 3(2) of the Regulations, which states that, if it is unclear whether the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system applies, an organ of state must, in the tender documents, stipulate in the case of—
  - (a) an invitation for tender for income-generating contracts, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system; or
  - (b) any other invitation for tender, that either the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point system will apply and that the lowest acceptable tender will be used to determine the applicable preference point system.

then the organ of state must indicate the points allocated for specific goals for both the 90/10 and 80/20 preference point system.

Table 1: Specific goals for the tender and points claimed are indicated per the table below.

(Note to organs of state: Where either the 90/10 or 80/20 preference point system is applicable, corresponding points must also be indicated as such.

Note to tenderers: The tenderer must indicate how they claim points for each preference point system.)

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (90/10 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (90/10 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
HDI (Race / Women/ People with disability)		2		
Local Procurement		6		
SMME's		2		
B-BBEE		10		

### **DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM**

4.3.	Name of company/firm				
4.4.	Company registration number:				
4.5.	TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM				
	<ul> <li>□ Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium</li> <li>□ One-person business/sole propriety</li> <li>□ Close corporation</li> <li>□ Public Company</li> <li>□ Personal Liability Company</li> <li>□ (Pty) Limited</li> <li>□ Non-Profit Company</li> <li>□ State Owned Company</li> <li>[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]</li> </ul>				

- 4.6. I, the undersigned, who is duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the specific goals as advised in the tender, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I acknowledge that:
  - i) The information furnished is true and correct;
  - ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
  - iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 4.2, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the organ of state that the claims are correct;
  - iv) If the specific goals have been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the organ of state may, in addition to any other remedy it may have
    - (a) disqualify the person from the tendering process;
    - recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
    - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
    - (d) recommend that the tenderer or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the audi alteram partem (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
    - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution, if deemed necessary,

	SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)
SURNAME AND NAME:	
DATE:	
ADDRESS:	



### THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

To invite bids to appoint a Service Provider to provide South African Sign Language Interpretation Services in **the dtic** offices for the period of three (3) years

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### **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS:**

The Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (**the dtic**) invites interested service providers to submit proposals for the services of providing South African Sign Language Interpretation Services in **the dtic** for the period of three (3) years.

**NOTE**: Should a vendor have reason to believe that the specification / Terms of Reference are not open to promote competition or that it is written based on a particular brand / product / entity; the vendor shall notify the Bid Office of **the dtic** within ten (10) calendar days after publication of the bid.

#### 1 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of the project is to obtain the services of a service provider to provide the delivery of South African Sign Language Interpreting services in **the dtic** for the period of three (3) years.

#### 2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Directorate Organisational Development and Transformation (OD&T) is responsible for, inter alia, Disability Mainstreaming programmes. The core objectives of the Disability Mainstreaming programmes are to create an enabling environment and to facilitate the provision of facilities and reasonable accommodation for persons with disabilities for total inclusion and equal participation of employees and clients with disabilities
- 2.2 The execution of the mandate requires a high participation of both employees and clients with disabilities. the dtic has employees with disabilities, in particular Deaf employees that use and recognise South African Sign Language (SASL) as their means of communication. Therefore, access to information will be accelerated by the provision of services of South African Sign Language Interpreters in achieving Transformation within the organisation.

#### 3 OBJECTIVES

- 3.1 The objectives are:
- 3.1.1 To provide accessible services in rendering sign language interpreting services to hearing impaired employees;
- 3.1.2 To provide sign language interpretation services, where there is a need; and
- 3.1.3 To remove communication barriers that may exist in the workplace, and create an environment that is beneficial for everyone.

### 4 SCOPE OF WORK

- 4.1 The successful service provider will be responsible for the delivery of the following milestones:
- 4.1.1 Interpret at Disability Forum meetings and workshops as hosted by **the dtic** and the following as and when necessary
  - Women's Day
  - Men's' Day
  - World Aids Day
  - International People with Disabilities
  - International Women's Day
  - Team meetings
  - Heritage Day
  - Strategic Planning sessions
  - Workshops
  - Training Sessions
- 4.1.2 Deliver South African Sign Language Interpretation services according to the hours as identified per requirement to each assignment.

### 5 DELIVERABLES

5.1 Interpret at meetings and workshops as hosted by **the dtic**, as and when required.

### **6 QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE**

- 6.1 The prospective service providers must have:
  - a) Company background i.e. history, strengths, experience, size, client list, etc.;
  - b) At least three (3) years working experience in the field of South African Sign Language Interpreting services;
  - c) The bidding company must provide evidence of experience in providing South African Sign Language Interpreting services by providing proof of minimum of three (3) references from organisations where South African Sign Language Interpretation services were previously rendered over the past three (3) years.
- 6.2 The prospective service provider must submit:
  - a) A minimum three (3) team members (SASL Interpreters);
  - b) Minimum of three (3) years SASLI interpreter experience, two contactable references contained in the Comprehensive Curriculum Vitae's (CV's) of SASL Interpreters; and
  - c) Qualification in South African Sign Language (certified copies of qualifications to be attached)

#### NB:

- a) The South African Qualifications Authority (SAQA) should endorse foreign acquired qualifications before they can be considered).
- b) In the event that **the dtic** is hosting more than two events at the same time, the bidder should be able to provide services at all events at the same time.
- c) The bidders should be able to provide the services within 48 hours of notice by the dtic.
- d) the dtic reserves the right to vet all documentation and information provided by bidders to prove their relevant experience and ability to perform the service.

### 7 DUE DILIGENCE

7.1 The bidder must have current technical and logistical capacity to perform the work required.

the dtic reserves the right to perform due diligence on facilities, resources and capacity of a bidder prior to the appointment of a service provider.

### 8 SPECIAL CONDITIONS

- 8.1 A Service Level Agreement must be signed with the successful bidder before work commences. A contractual relationship will only commence once a Service Level Agreement is signed between the parties;
- 8.2 Proposed key staff members must participate actively and be available to perform services in accordance with the contract. In instances where a proposed key staff member is not available to perform services at a specific period in time, the bidder will be responsible to provide a replacement with similar qualifications and experience in order to guarantee the same standard of work to **the dtic**. Each team member's role must be clearly outlined in the project plan;
- 8.3 A project plan detailing the tasks, activities and target dates for the work to be undertaken should be submitted to **the dtic** within 10 working days after appointment of the successful Service Provider. Each team member's role must be clearly outlined in the project plan;
- 8.4 As previously indicated **the dtic** reserves the right to vet all qualifications and other documentation provided by bidders to prove relevant qualifications, experience and expertise prior to the appointment of a Service Provider;
- 8.5 Copyright and intellectual property rights to all documentation, reports etc. that emanate from this assignment will vest with **the dtic**;
- 8.6 This bid and all contracts emanating there from will be subject to the General Conditions of Contract issued in accordance with Treasury Regulation 16A published in terms of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999). Special Conditions of Contract are

- supplementary to that of the General Conditions of Contract. Not all bids will contain special conditions of contract. Where, however, the Special Conditions of Contract are in conflict with the General Conditions of Contract, the Special Conditions of Contract prevail;
- 8.7 Bids received after the closing date and time, at the address indicated in the bid documents, will not be accepted for consideration and where possible, be returned unopened to the bidder;
- 8.8 Bidders' attention is drawn to the fact that amendments to any of the Bid Conditions or setting of counter conditions by bidders may result in the invalidation of such bids;
- 8.9 The State reserves the right to conduct supplier due diligence prior to final award or at any time during the contract period. This may include site visits;
- 8.10 The Bid Office Officials of **the dtic** may communicate with bidders where clarity is sought after the closing date of the bid and prior to the award of the contract, or to extend the validity period of the bid, if necessary;
- 8.11 All communication between the bidder and the Bid Office Officials of **the dtic** must be done in writing;
- 8.12 Bidders must ensure that they are registered on the Central Supplier Database of the National Treasury as this is compulsory with effect of 1 April 2016 in order for bidders to be considered for bids;
- 8.13 Bidders must ensure that their tax matters are in order in line with the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act and the Treasury Regulations;
- 8.14 Bidders' whose tax matters are not declared to be in order will be disqualified;
- 8.15 Bidders' attention is drawn to the tax requirements stated on the SBD 1 form;
- 8.16 Where applicable acceptance of a bid will be subject to the condition that both the contracting firm and its personnel providing the service must be cleared by the appropriate authorities to the level of CONFIDENTIAL/SECRET/TOP SECRET (whichever one is stipulated in the relevant specification / ToR). Obtaining a positive recommendation is the responsibility of the contracting firm concerned. If the principal contractor appoints a subcontractor, the same provisions and measures will apply to the subcontractor. Acceptance of the tender is also subject to the condition that the contractor will implement all such security measures as the safe performance of the contract may require." (Minimum Information Security Standards. Chapter 5);
- 8.17 The points scored for price and specific goals will be rounded off to the nearest 2 decimals as determined in the PP Regulations 2022;
- 8.18 In cases where the tender invitation is subject to a pre-qualification requirement based on sub-contracting, then it is the responsibility of the tenderer to select competent sub-contractors that meet all the requirements of the tender in order to ensure that the bidders

- tender is not jeopardized by the subcontractor during evaluation. Bidders are responsible for all due diligence on their subcontractors;
- 8.19 In cases where above market related prices are quoted the right is reserved to negotiate with the three preferred bidders (three highest on final points for price and Specific goals);
- 8.20 Bidders to take note that the award of the tender may be subject to price negotiation with the preferred bidder;
- 8.21 This bid is subject to the PPPFA and its Regulations;
- 8.22 A trust, consortium or joint venture, will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate;
- 8.23 A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid;
- 8.24 Bidders must submit concrete proof of the existence of joint ventures and/or consortium arrangements. **the dtic** will accept signed agreements as acceptable proof of the existence of a joint venture and/or consortium arrangement;
- 8.25 The joint venture and/or consortium agreements must clearly set out the roles and responsibilities of the Lead Partner and the joint venture and/or consortium party. The agreement must also clearly identify the Lead Partner, who shall be given the power of attorney to bind the other party/parties in respect of matters pertaining to the joint venture and/or consortium arrangement;
- 8.26 Regulation 13 (c) of the Public Service Regulations 2016 determines that an employee shall not conduct business with an organ of state or be a director of a public or private company conducting business with an organ of state unless such employee is in an official capacity a director of a company listed in schedule 2 and 3 of the Public Finance Management Act. As this regulation prohibits public service employees from conducting business with an organ of state; either in a personal capacity or as a director of a private or public company, non-compliance with this regulation will lead to automatic disqualification of a bid;

### the dtic reserves the right:

8.27 To award this tender to a bidder that did not score the highest total number of points, only in accordance with section 2(1)(f) of the PPPFA (Act 5 of 2000);

- 8.28 To negotiate with one or more preferred bidder(s) identified in the evaluation process, regarding any terms and conditions, including price without offering the same opportunity to any other bidder(s) who has not been awarded the status of the preferred bidder(s):
- 8.29 To accept part of a tender rather than the whole tender.
- 8.30 To carry out site inspections, product evaluations or explanatory meetings in order to verify the nature and quality of the services offered by the bidder(s), whether before or after adjudication of the Bid;
- 8.31 To correct any mistakes at any stage of the tender that may have been in the Bid documents or occurred at any stage of the tender process;
- 8.32 To cancel and/or terminate the tender process at any stage, including after the Closing Date and/or after presentations have been made, and/or after tenders have been evaluated and/or after the preferred bidder(s) have been notified of their status as such;
- 8.33 Award to multiple bidders based either on size or geographic considerations; and
- 8.34 Bidders will be allowed to submit queries or request clarification up to one week prior to the closing date of this bid. Thereafter no queries / clarification requests will be responded to.

### 9 PRICE

9.1 Bid prices are required in the form of hourly rates. The bid price must represent hourly rates of the project leader and key team members allocated to **the dtic**. Three fixed hourly rates, one for each year of the contract period, for each key team member and the project leader is required. Payment based on hourly rates will be payable by **the dtic** to the successful Service Provider upon satisfactory work delivery, in accordance with an agreed payment schedule which will be linked to set deliverables. Please see the attached SBD 3.3 on how pricing must be quoted. The average hourly rate will be used for price comparison purposes in the 80/20 point system.

### 10 TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION REQUIRED FOR THE PROJECT

Travel and accommodation required for the project will be approved in line with the maximum allowable rates issued by the National Treasury **the dtic** obligations.

- 10.1 the dtic Project Manager will serve as the contact person on all matters relating to the project;
- 10.2 the dtic Project Manager will review, evaluate and approve the services provided by the Service Provider against the Service Level Agreement on an ongoing basis and prior to payment is made;
- 10.3 the dtic will supply all reasonable, relevant, available data and information required and requested by the Service Provider for the proper execution of the services and such assistance as shall reasonably be required by Service Provider in carrying out their duties under this contract.

### 11 SERVICE PROVIDER'S OBLIGATION

- 11.1 The Service Provider undertakes to act as an independent contractor in respect of the work;
- 11.2 To work closely with the Project Manager responsible for the project in **the dtic**;
- 11.3 Attend meetings when required by the Project Manager for the purposes of obtaining information or advice with regard to the work and assignments or any matters arising from or in connection therewith;
- 11.4 The Service Provider will be responsible for its own computers and technical literature to adequately perform all the functions;
- 11.5 The Service Provider must exercise all reasonable skill, care and diligence in the execution of the work and shall carry out their obligation in accordance with professional standards;
- 11.6 The Service Provider must in all professional matters act as a faithful advisor to **the dtic**, as well as respecting the laws and customs of any country and provinces in which any business in relation to the project is conducted;
- 11.7 All information availed to the Service Provider in the course of the project must be deemed confidential and will remain the property of **the dtic**;
- 11.8 The Service Provider will be required to sign a confidentiality declaration form, undertaking to keep all the information at his/her disposal as a result of being awarded the contract by **the dtic** strictly confidential;
- 11.9 The Service Provider must not disseminate any information gathered during the conduct of the project, publicize or release media statements in relation to the assignment;
- 11.10 Any information gathered during the conduct of the assignment is the property of **the dtic** and may not be distributed without prior written approval of **the dtic**;
- 11.11 The Service Provider will be deemed to have been satisfied as to the correctness and sufficiency of the rates and prices set out in their bid for the services to be rendered;
- 11.12 The Service Provider must plan and provide for all possible risks that may affect the delivery of the project on time and indicate what mechanisms are in place to manage such risks.

### 12 BID EVALUATION CRITERIA

12.1 The <u>80/20</u> principle and **two envelope / file system** will apply in evaluating the proposals in accordance with the latest PPP Regulations pertaining to the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act; Act no 5 of 2000. The reason for applying the **two envelope / file system** is to ensure that price does not influence the evaluation of the functional proposals.

### 12.2 Two envelope system

12.2.1 The two envelope system is based on the submission of the functional and financial proposals in two separate envelopes / file. NO financial information may be contained in the functional envelope as this will lead to automatic disqualification. Submission must be done as follows:

### 12.3 Functional proposal:

- 12.2.1 Bidders must submit their functional proposal in a sealed envelope / separate emails/ file with the name of the bidder, closing date and time and the bid number clearly indicated on the envelope / file. This envelope / file should *only* contain the functional proposal and compulsory forms; SBD 1, 4, 6.1 and General Conditions of Contract; but **NO** financial information.
- 12.2.2 Bidders who wish to claim for preferential procurement points applicable to this TOR must ensure that the SBD 6.1 claim form is completed and accompanied by the relevant proof required.
- 12.2.3 HDI(Race, Women and People with disabilities)
  - Submit proof of disability(Letter from General Practitioner/specialist with regard to your disability is required to substantiate a claim)
     Small Medium Micro Enterprises (SMME's)
  - Sars return indicating annual turnover/ B-BBEE certificate(Sanas)/ CIPC B-BBEE certificate / Sworn Affidavit
    - Local Procurement (Provincial / Municipal)
    - Service Provider who reside in a Province GAUTENG
  - Proof of address (municipal rates/ bank statements/ lease agreement / affidavit etc.)
     B-BBEE compliance based on Section 10 of the B-BBEE Act (Act 53of 2003 as amended by Act 46 of 2013)
  - B-BBEE certificate/ CIPC B-BBEE certificate / sworn Affidavit

Failure on the part of a service provider to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this TOR to claim points for specific goals with the TOR, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific goals are not claimed.

Financial information in a functional proposal will lead to automatic disqualification of that specific proposal.

### 12.4 Financial proposal:

- 12.4.1 The financial proposal (SBD 3.3) must be submitted in a **SEPARATE** sealed envelope / file / email with the name of the bidder, closing date and time and the bid number clearly indicated on the envelope / file / email.
- 12.5 FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE TWO ENVELOPE / TWO FILE REQUIREMENT WILL AUTOMATICALLY INVALIDATE A BID.
- 12.5.1 All proposals will be evaluated in terms of the two phase process once the prequalifying of bids received is done. All bid proposals received are subject to a prequalification process to determine compliance with compulsory requirements / conditions. All bids that pass the pre-qualification process will then be evaluated as follows:
- 12.6 First phase: Functional evaluation. This evaluation is based on the functional proposal submitted in envelope one (functional envelope). For this phase the service providers will be evaluated on whether they comply with the requirements or not. Those who comply will be considered during the second phase of evaluation.
- 12.7 Second phase: Price and Specific goals. During the second phase all Bids that complied with the requirements will be considered for the second phase where points will be calculated for price and Specific goals in accordance with the amended PPP Regulations pertaining to the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act, Act no 5 of 2000 and PP Regulation 2022 that came into effect on 16 January 2023). Refer to SBD 6.1
- 12.8 The submission email is <a href="mailto:RFQs@thedtic.gov.za">RFQs@thedtic.gov.za</a>

Key scores

Score	Description
Non-compliant	No evidence provided to substantiate compliance, does not fully meet
	set requirements
Comply	Fully complies to the set minimum requirements

### **PHASE 1: FUNCTIONAL EVALUATION**

No.	Criteria	Scoring Criteria
1.	Company background i.e. history, and experience	
1.1	Company background i.e. history, strengths, experience, size, client list, etc.	Comply
1.2	At least three (3) years working experience in the field of South African Sign Language Interpreting services	Comply
1.3	The bidding company must provide evidence of experience in providing South African Sign Language Interpreting services by providing proof of minimum of three (3) references from organisations South African Sign Language Interpretation services were previously rendered over the past three (3) years	Comply
2.	Qualifications and experience of proposed key staff: SASL Interpreters	
2.1	A minimum three (3) team members (SASL Interpreters)	Comply
2.2	Minimum of three (3) years SASLI interpreter experience, and two contactable references contained in the comprehensive Curriculum Vitae's (CV's) of SASL Interpreters	Comply
2.3	Qualification in South African Sign Language (certified copies of qualifications attached)	Comply
	TOTAL	
	MINIMUM THRESHOLD	

### **PHASE 2: PRICE AND PREFERENCE POINTS**

60/20 PRINCIPLE	POINTS

1	<u>Price</u>	80
2	SPECIFIC GOALS	20
	MAXIMUM POINTS	100

### 13 CONTRACTUAL PERIOD

13.1 The project shall commence during April 2024. Bidders must please take note that no contract will come into existence before the SLA is agreed to and is signed by both parties.

### 14 CONTACT DETAILS

Please direct all technical questions to:

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