



DATE OF ISSUE: 28TH FEBRUARY 2025

INVITATION TO BID (OPEN TENDER)

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR THE REQUIREMENTS OF GAUTENG GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

BID NUMBER: GGDA/18/2024-25/AZURE STACK HCI SOLUTION

CLOSING DATE: 04TH APRIL 2025

CLOSING TIME: 11:00

BID VALIDITY PERIOD: 90 DAYS

BRIEFING SESSION: COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION

**BRIEFING SESSION VENUE: THE INNOVATION CENTRE
MARK SHUTTLEWORTH STREET
THE INNOVATION HUB, PRETORIA**

BRIEFING SESSION TIME: 11:00

BRIEFING SESSION DATE: 11TH MARCH 2025

DESCRIPTION: THE APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER TO SUPPLY, INSTALL, CONFIGURE AND SUPPORT AZURE STACK HCI SOLUTION FOR THE INNOVATION HUB.

**BID SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS: 2 ENVELOPE SYSTEM.
SUBMISSIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ONE ORIGINAL
HARDCOPY AND 1 X USB COPIES**

**TECHNICAL (1 ORIGINAL HARDCOPY & 1 x USB COPY)
FINANCIAL (1 ORIGINAL HARDCOPY & 1 x USB COPY)
NB: PLEASE IT'S A REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT DOCUMENT AS REQUESTED)**

**BID DOCUMENTS MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT: 124 MAIN STREET,
JOHANNESBURG**

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CONDITIONS FOR COMPLETING BID DOCUMENTS

Document	Comments	Compliance	Submitted? (Yes / No)
SBD 1 (Invitation to bid)	Make sure it is fully completed & signed	Compulsory	
SARS Tax Compliance Status Pin	TAX STATUS – TCS PIN/CSD Report with valid tax status	Other returnable	
SBD 3.3 (Pricing schedule)	Fully completed or refer to an Annexure or addendum where price is mentioned	Bid Pricing (2 nd envelope)	
SBD 4 (Bidder' Disclosure)	Make sure it is fully completed & signed	Compulsory	
SBD 6.1 (Preference Points in terms of PPR of 2022)	Make sure it is fully completed & signed, and points claimed are allocated as per preferential procurement goals. Form not submitted bidder will score zero points	Other returnable to claim points	
PART D: General Conditions of Contract (par30)	Make sure it is fully completed and signed	Compulsory	
Copy of Company Registration Documents	1. Certificate of registration, 2. Change of name certificate (if applicable) 3. Register of directors, and most current registered business address (Company Registration: CM1 and CK1, Change of Name Certificate: CM9, Latest Registered address: CM22, Most current register of directors CM29 and CK2)	Other returnable	
Company Profile	Include the organisational structure of the company	Other returnable	
Certified copies of identity documents	For all current shareholders / members Include the organisational structure of the company	Other returnable	
Compulsory Briefing Session Register	Make sure you sign the register in the bidding entity's name and for JV/Consortium or Partnership, should be indicated or all parties sign register	Compulsory	

IF ANY OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED COMPULSORY CONDITIONS IS NOT MET AND/OR ANY OF THE REQUESTED DOCUMENTS ARE NOT SUBMITTED AS PRESCRIBED, THE BID EVALUATION COMMITTEE WILL DISQUALIFY THE BID

1. Bid Documents must be completed with ink (Blue or black) and not typed. No correction fluid is allowed. All changes must be scratched out and a signature appended next to each change.
2. Bidders will be disqualified should the compulsory documents not be submitted.
3. All certified documents must be within the current six (6) months. Copies of previously certified documents will not be accepted.
4. Bid documents must be secured together preferably bound or contained in a lever arch file as Gauteng Growth and Development Agency will not take any responsibility for any loss of documents as a result of not being properly secured upon submission.

Please Note: Certification as a “true copy of the original,” must comply with the requirements outlined in the Justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, No 16 of 1963 and its Regulations promulgated in Government Notice GNR 1258 of 21 July 1972 Justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, No. 16 of 1963.

PART A

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BID DOCUMENTS MUST BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT:

**Gauteng Growth & Development Agency
124 Main Street
JOHANNESBURG
2001**

Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address. If the bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration. The bid box is generally open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS – (NOT TO BE RE-TYPED)

THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

**THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS MUST BE FURNISHED (FAILURE TO
DO SO MAY RESULT IN YOUR BID BEING DISQUALIFIED)**

NAME OF BIDDER.....

POSTAL ADDRESS.....

.....

STREET ADDRESS.....

TELEPHONE NUMBER CODE..... NUMBER.....

CELL PHONE NUMBER.....

FACSIMILE NUMBER CODE..... NUMBER.....

VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER.....

HAS A TAX PIN BEEN SUBMITTED? YES/NO

ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE
GOODS/SERVICES OFFERED BY YOU? YES/NO (IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF)

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:.....DATE:.....

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED.....

**TOTAL BID PRICE - BIDDERS MUST NOT COMPLETE THIS SECTION HERE BUT SUBMIT IT AS
PART OF ENVELOPE NO. 2 (FINANCIAL PROPOSAL)**

A.1.1. CONDITIONS OF BIDDING

1 Proprietary Information

- 1.1 The GGDA considers this tender and all related information, either written or verbal, which is provided to the respondent, to be proprietary to GGDA. It shall be kept confidential by the respondent and its officers, employees, agents, and representatives. The respondent shall not disclose, publish, or advertise this specification or related information to any third party without the prior written consent of GGDA.

2 Enquiries

- 2.1 All communication and attempts to solicit information of any kind relative to this tender should be in writing and channelled to: Email address: tenders@ggda.co.za; kgalaletsos@ggda.co.za nathim@ggda.co.za
- 2.2 Please note that the last date for request for information pertaining to this tender will be on the **28th March 2025**
- 2.3 **Bidders may not contact any other GGDA employee besides contact person mentioned on Paragraph 2.1 above on any matter pertaining to the bid from the time when bid is advertised to the time the bid is awarded. Any effort by a bidder to influence bid evaluation, bid comparisons or bid award decisions in any manner, may result in rejection of the bid concerned.**
- 2.4 All the documentation submitted in response to this tender must be in English.
- 2.5 The Bidder should check the numbers of the pages to satisfy themselves that none are missing or duplicated. No liability will be accepted by GGDA in regard to anything arising from the fact that pages are missing or duplicated.

3 Validity Period

- 3.1 Responses to this tender received from suppliers will be valid for a period of **90 days** counted from the closing date of the tender.

4 Submission of Tenders

- 4.1 Tenders should be submitted in duplicate for technical and pricing (original technical with USB copy and original financial proposal with USB copy) all bound in a sealed separate envelope endorsed, **GGDA/18/2024-25/AZURE STACK HCI SOLUTION**. The sealed envelopes must be placed in the tender box at 124 Main Street, Johannesburg by no later than **11h00 on 04TH APRIL 2025**.
- 4.2 The closing date, company name and the return address must also be endorsed on the envelope. If a courier service company is being used for delivery of the bid document, the bid description must be endorsed on the delivery note/courier packaging to ensure that documents are delivered into the BID BOX.
- 4.3 No bid received by telegram, telex, email, facsimile, or similar medium will be considered. Where a tender document is not in the tender box at the time of the bid closing, such a bid document will be regarded as a late bid. Late bids will not be considered.
- 4.4 Amended bids may be sent, together with the original bid, in an envelope marked "Amendment to bid" and should be placed in the bid box before the closing date and time. An amendment bids without original bid document will not be considered.

- 4.5 The bidder is responsible for all the costs that they shall incur related to the preparation and submission of the bid document.
- 4.6 Kindly note that **GGDA** is entitled to amend any bid conditions, validity period, specifications, or extend the closing date of bids before the closing date. All the erratum's will be published on the platforms where the tender was advertised and all bidders, to whom the bid documents have been downloaded will be advised in writing of such amendments in good time.
- 4.7 **GGDA** reserves that right not to accept the lowest bid of any tender in part or in whole and essentially awards the contract to the bidder who proves to be fully capable of handling the contract and also financially advantageous to **GGDA**.
- 4.8 **GGDA** also reserves the right to award this bid to a purely empowerment company or may award this bid on conditions that a joint venture with an empowerment company is formed. This will be added if applicable to the tender evaluation criteria and assessed when evaluating the bids.
- 4.9 GGDA also reserves the right to award this bid as a whole or in part.
- 4.10 GGDA reserves the right to, amongst other things, conduct unscheduled or scheduled site visit/s to satisfy itself, as to the validity of the information provided on this bid documents.
- 4.11 An incomplete price list shall render the bid non-responsive.
- 4.12 All Conditions in the Joint Building Contracts Committee (JBCC) will apply, however Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) as outlined herein will supersede other conditions. - N/A to this bid
- 4.13 NB: All reference to GGDA on this bid document includes its subsidiaries who are affected by the deliverable of this bid document

A.1.2 TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS REQUIREMENTS

It is a condition of bid that the taxes of the successful bidder must be in order, or that satisfactory arrangements have been made with South African Revenue Service (SARS) to meet the bidder's tax obligations.

Tax Compliance Requirements

- 1) Bidders must ensure compliance with their tax obligations.
- 2) Bidders are required to submit their Tax Compliance Status Pin issued by SARS to enable the Organ of State to verify the Taxpayer's Profile and Tax Status.
- 3) Application for Tax Compliance Status (TCS) Pin may be made via e-Filing through the SARS Website www.sars.gov.za.
- 4) Bidders may also submit a printed tax pin together with the bid.
- 5) In Bids where Consortia / Joint Ventures / Sub-Contractors are Involved; each party must submit a separate Tax Pin / CSD number.
- 6) Where no TCS Pin is available, but the bidder is registered on the Central Supplier Database (CSD), a CSD Number must be provided.
- 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

SECTION B: TERMS OF REFERENCE

THE APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER TO SUPPLY, INSTALL, CONFIGURE AND SUPPORT AZURE STACK HCI SOLUTION FOR THE INNOVATION HUB

1. INTRODUCTION

The Innovation Hub (TIH) a subsidiary of GGDA – This is Africa's first internationally accredited Science Park and a full member of the International Association of Science Parks, the leading knowledge-intensive business cluster in South Africa. Strategically located in Pretoria, Gauteng, TIH's intelligent community has become a regional centre of innovation and knowledge creation linked to the fast-moving world of global interconnectivity.

2. PURPOSE AND INVITATION FOR PROPOSAL

The Gauteng Growth and Development Agency is inviting proposals from relevant service providers to supply, install, configure and support the Azure Stack Hyperconverged Infrastructure (HCI) at The Innovation Hub Data centre.

3. BACKGROUND

In 2019 GGDA ICT took a decision to embark on an ICT consolidation strategy across the group and the Data Centre at The Innovation Hub was chosen as the main Data Centre for the GGDA Group including its entities. During this period the focus was only on the core common applications consolidation i.e. ERP system, Service Desk, Risk System and no investment was committed towards ICT server infrastructure or hardware. The current server environment is outdated, leading to risks such as hardware failures, degraded performance, and potential security vulnerabilities. As part of GGDA Group wide ICT ongoing commitment to maintaining a robust and reliable IT infrastructure at The Innovation Hub, a need has been identified to refresh and upgrade the production server infrastructure environment with cutting edge solutions that will support scalability, security and efficiency. Upgrading is essential for ensuring business continuity, enhancing system performance, and securing business data assets. As a result, a decision has been taken to source an Azure Stack HCI solution that will:

- Enables seamless integration with Microsoft Azure for hybrid cloud operations.
- Supports virtualized workloads with high performance and reliability.
- Enhances data security and compliance with industry regulations.
- Provides flexibility for scaling up operations as The Innovation Hub grows.
- Supports disaster recovery, business continuity, and backup functionalities

The solution would be deployed at The Innovation Hub which is a subsidiary of GGDA.

4. SCOPE OF WORK

The selected vendor will be responsible for the following:

4.1 Solution Design:

- Assess The Innovation Hub's current IT infrastructure and design an Azure Stack HCI solution tailored to its requirements. The solution should be scalable for future clients or services.

4.2 Procurement and Installation:

- Supply the necessary hardware, networking equipment, and Microsoft Azure Stack HCI software.

- Install and configure the hardware and software components to ensure a fully operational solution.

4.3 INTEGRATION AND CONFIGURATION:

- Ensure the Azure Stack HCI solution integrates seamlessly with existing IT infrastructure, applications, and cloud services (Microsoft Azure).
- Configure high availability (HA) features, storage, and networking for optimal performance.

4.4 TESTING AND VALIDATION:

- Conduct thorough testing to ensure that the solution meets performance, security, and compliance standards.

4.5 SUPPORT AND MAINTENANCE:

- Provide ongoing 24/7 support for both hardware and software for 5 years.
- Offer regular updates, maintenance, and troubleshooting services for the Azure Stack HCI solution.

4.6 TRAINING:

- Provide training for The GGDA IT staff including its entities on managing and maintaining the Azure Stack HCI solution.

5. BILL OF MATERIAL FOR SOLUTION SPECIFICATIONS (Ref: Mandatory requirements)

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	COMPLY (Y/N)
HCI solution (Production)	➤ 3 x Server Nodes cluster capable of supporting multiple hypervisors: Minimum Specifications Required Per Node: - Processors: 2 x Intel Xeon-Silver 4510 processor (2.4 GHz/ 12-core/ 150W) (24 Cores) - Memory: 8 x 64GB Memory Module (5600MHz DDR5 RDM) - Storage: ○ Data Storage: 6 x 3.84 TB SSD - NIC Ethernet: ○ 1 x 25/10GB Ethernet adapters (2 Ports) ○ 2 x 25G SFP28 to SFP28 3m Direct Attach Copper Cable	
HCI solution (Backup)	➤ 3 x Server Nodes cluster capable of supporting multiple hypervisors: Minimum Specifications Required Per Node: - Processors: 2 x Intel Xeon-Silver 4510 processor (2.4 GHz/ 12-core/ 150W) (24 Cores) - Memory: 8 x 64GB Memory Module (5600MHz DDR5 RDM) - Storage: ○ Data Storage: 6 x 3.84 TB SSD - NIC Ethernet: ○ 1 x 25/10GB Ethernet adapters (2 Ports) ○ 2 x 25G SFP28 to SFP28 3m Direct Attach Copper Cable	

Virtualization Software	• HCI solution Software supporting multiple hypervisors (5 years License Subscription) • Veeam Data replication Platform (5 years License Subscription)	
Management Networking	➤ 4 x Top of Rack Switches ➤ 4 X 100G Uplink QSFP28 to QSFP28 1m Direct Attach Copper Cable <u>Minimum specifications required or higher:</u> • 48 x Twenty-five-gigabit Ethernet ports - SFP28 • 6 x Hundred-Gigabit Ethernet ports - QSFP28 • RJ-45 (for console cable) • RJ-45 1G Ethernet Management Port • Switching Capacity: 3.6 Tb • 1:1 non-blocking connectivity	
Training	OEM Training for 4 resources	
Consulting and Deployment Services	• Project Management with Complete documentation of the solution (Test, sign-off, and handover) • Solution design. - HCI solution design (Server, Network, Storage, and DR replication). • Solution Installation and Configuration - Onsite Installation and start up services for Server, Network, Storage, and replication as per the design. - Hyperconverged installation and configuration as per the design. - Data migration from the current environment to new infrastructure - V2V migrations to the new environment • Full deployment and integration of Azure Stack HCI, including server installation, configuration, and testing to ensure the system is fully optimized for The Innovation Hub's needs	
Support	• Hardware - 5-year 24/7 production next day business shop out support. • Software - 5 Year 24/7 remote support.	

5. EVALUATION CRITERIA

In line with Preferential Procurement Regulation 2022 (PPR, 2022). The evaluation of responsive Tender offers shall be on the 80/20-point preference system, being a maximum of 80 points for price and a maximum of 20 points for Preferential Procurement Special Goals in line with the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022.

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- 1st Stage – Administrative compliance
- 2nd Mandatory Requirement (pre-qualification criteria)
- 3rd Stage – Functionality (minimum of 70 points required to move to next stage)
- 4th Stage - Price & Preferential Procurement Goals (80/20 calculation)

1ST STAGE - ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLIANCE

GGDA has set minimum standards that a bidder needs to meet to be evaluated and selected for further evaluation process. The minimum standards consist of the following: -

- Without limiting the generality of GGDA's other critical requirements for this Bid, the bidder(s) must submit the documents listed in Part A. All documents must be completed and signed by the duly authorized representative of the prospective bidder(s).
- During this phase Bidders' responses will be evaluated based on compliance with the listed administration and mandatory bid requirements. All bids must be submitted in the original/official form. Bidders are required to submit a bid for providing the whole works, services or supply identified in the bid document unless stated otherwise as an additional condition in the conditions of the bid.

The evaluation during this stage is to review bid responses for purposes of assessing compliance with RFP requirements, which requirements include the following:

- a) Submission of duly completed and signed Standard Bidding Documents and other requirements, as reflected in this RFP, which cover the following: -
 - Submission of a valid Certificate of Incorporation i.e., CIPC company registration documents or a CSD report
 - Submission of a valid B-BBEE verification/Sworn affidavit
 - Submission of duly completed Standard Bidding Documents and other requirements, as reflected in this RFP, which cover the following: - Technical Proposal in line with the Technical Evaluation Criteria - Financial/ Price Proposal
 - Failure to submit a completed and signed standard bidding document will result in the bidder not being evaluated further or disqualified.
- b) In the event of a Joint Venture or Consortium(s)/ or primary bidder with a subcontractor, the following requirements will apply;
 - Bidders who wish to respond to this bid as a Joint Venture [JV] or consortium with BBBEE entities/ primary bidder with a subcontractor must state their intention to do so in their tender submission. Such Bidders must also submit a signed JV/consortium/ subcontracting agreement between all the parties, and fully signed by all parties or authorised personnel as nominated.
 - A consortium or joint venture must submit a consolidated B-BBEE Status Level verification certificate.

Failure by the bidder to comply with the "administrative compliance" will result in the bidder being disqualified and not evaluated further.

2ND STAGE: MANDATORY PRE-QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Category	Requirement	Comply (Yes/No)
OEM Accreditation	Bidder must provide proof of relevant OEM reseller accreditation letter valid for 2024/25 and bidder must be a minimum of a Silver OEM Partner.	
Bill-of-Materials	Bidders must provide a detailed bill of materials (BOM) as per the requested Technical Specifications. NB: All technical specification requirements must be met to pass this mandatory requirement	

Failure to comply with pre-qualification requirements will lead to the bidder being disqualified and won't proceed to the next stage

3rd STAGE: FUNCTIONALITY EVALUATION

FUNCTIONALITY / QUALITY CRITERIA		MAXIMUM SCORE	POINTS SCORED
DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF EVIDENCE REQUIRED		
1. BIDDER'S METHODOLOGY OUTLINING THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE ENGAGEMENT Bidder to submit detailed proposed methodology solution covering the requirements as per scope of work: - • Solution Design (moving from current IT infrastructure to new design) = 4 points • Procurement and Installation Plan = 3 points • Outline Integration and Configuration = 3 points • Outline execution plan to carry Testing and Validation = 4 points • Support and Maintenance Plan = 3 points • Training Plan for 4 Resources as outlined = 3 points	Detailed proposal covering all areas as per scope of work as outlined in the bid document.	20	
2. DETAILED PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN The detailed project implementation plan with clear timelines including kick-off meeting, installation, migration, testing, and handover. The project plan must be presented clearly outlining the following milestones with timelines: - • Implementation Plan align to scope of work including from kick-off meeting = 5 points • Procurement & installation timelines, indication all equipment and software timelines = 5 points • Change Management Process = 5 points • Testing & Migration process = 5 points		30	

- Quality assurance & sign-off prerequisites = 5 points - Project close-off & Handover = 5 points			
3. PROJECT TEAM - EXPERIENCE AND ACCREDITATIONS The bidder must also have the following resources (All qualifications must be date stamped and Certified by the Commissioner of Oaths and not more than 6 months old): 1 x Project Manager with CV and Valid Project Management Certificate (Prince2, PMP, Certified ScrumMaster) or equivalent Certification. 1 to 3 years relevant experience = 0 points, >3 to 5 years' experience = 3 points >5 years and more experience = 5 points 1 x Systems Engineer with CV and Valid Microsoft Certified Solutions Expert (MCSE) or equivalent Certification. 1 to 3 years relevant experience = 0 points, >3 to 5 years' experience = 3 points >5 years and more experience = 5 points 1 x HCI specialist with CV and valid Microsoft Azure Fundamental Certificate or equivalent Certification. 1 to 3 years relevant experience = 0 points, >3 to 5 years' experience = 3 points >5 years and more experience = 5 points 1 x Networking Engineer with CV and valid (CCNA, Microsoft Certified: Azure Network Engineer Associate or equivalent) or equivalent Certification. 1 to 3 years relevant experience = 0 points, >3 to 5 years' experience = 3 points >5 years and more experience = 5 points 1 x VEEAM Engineer with CV and valid (VEEAM Certification) or equivalent Certification. 1 to 3 years relevant experience = 0 points, >3 to 5 years' experience = 3 points >5 years and more experience = 5 points 1 x Software Specialist with CV and Valid (VMware Professional certificate) or equivalent Certification. 1 to 3 years relevant experience = 0 points, >3 to 5 years' experience = 3 points >5 years and more experience = 5 points NB: All certificates must be certified by a Commissioner of Oaths and not older than 6 Months	Bidder to submit all personnel detailed CVs (detailed history of personnel experience must be outlined on the CV), and attach certified qualifications/or certificates as outlined: - 1 x Project Manager 1 x System Engineer 1 x HCI Specialist 1 x Networking Engineer 1 x VEEAM Engineer 1 x Software Specialist NB: CV submitted without the relevant qualifications/certificates as requested will be disqualified and won't be considered.	30	

4. BIDDER'S CONTACTABLE REFERENCES The bidder must demonstrate evidence of experience in installation and supply or rendering services of similar nature. The reference letters must be dated on a client letterhead and signed by authorized personnel of the entity, each reference letter must have been awarded for a minimum value of <u>R1,5m per valid letter and letters must not be older than 5 years,</u> • 5 points per valid letter to a maximum of 20 points. NB. GGDA reserves the right to contact the client to validate the reference letters submitted.	All reference letters must be dated on a client letterhead and signed by authorized personnel of the entity, each reference letter must have been awarded for a minimum value of <u>R1,5m per valid letter and letters must not be older than 5 years,</u>	20	
Total Points for functionality		100	
Minimum points required		70	

NB: The minimum threshold for the functionality evaluation is **70 points.** The Tenderers that do not meet this minimum threshold will not proceed to the next stage of evaluation of the tender.

4TH STAGE - PRICE & PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT SPECIAL GOALS EVALUATION CRITERIA

All bidders who achieved the minimum total point scored on functionality of 70 points and above will be evaluated on Price & Preferential Procurement Special Goals.

The GGDA will apply the 80/20 Preference Point System in accordance with Regulation 4 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022 (as published in the Government Gazette No. 47452 on 04 November 2022), effective from 16 January 2023.

The points will be allocated as follows:

PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEM	POINTS
Price	80
Specific Goals (refer to requirements below)	20
Total Points for Price and Preference Points	100

Specific Goals Requirements:

	Preferential Procurement Goals	Yes/NO	Weight = 20 points if R50 000 000 and less
			Number of Points
1	B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor 1	20	
2	B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor 2	15	
3	B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor 3	10	
4	B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor 4	5	
	TOTAL POINTS	20	
	PRICE		= 80 points if R50 000 000 and less
	TOTAL PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT GOALS & PRICE		100

THE PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEM AND PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT GOALS REQUIREMENTS AS PER THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 (ACT NO.5 OF 2000), INCLUDING PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2022.

VALIDITY OF B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATES

Tenderers are required to submit proof of their B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor to substantiate their B-BBEE rating claims. Failure to comply with the following requirements will result in the bidder forfeiting B-BBEE preference points:

1. An Exempted Micro Enterprise (EME) is required to submit a valid sworn affidavit confirming their annual total revenue of R10 million or less and level of black ownership.
2. A Qualifying Small Enterprises (QSE) which is at least 51% black owned is required to submit a valid sworn affidavit confirming their annual total revenue of between R10 million and R50 million and level of black ownership.
3. A Qualifying Small Enterprise (QSE) which is less than 51% black owned is required to submit a valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate including a valid sworn affidavit declaring their annual total revenue of between R10 million and R50 million, based on the Financial Statements/Management Accounts and other information available on the latest financial year-end.
4. Bidders who do not qualify as EME's and QSE's as outlined above, must submit valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates.
5. Public entities and tertiary institutions must submit valid B BBEE Status Level Verification certificates.
6. A trust, consortium or joint venture must submit a valid consolidated B-BBEE status level verification certificate for every separate bid.

Please note:

- B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates must be issued by an Agency accredited by SANAS and must be valid
- Sworn Affidavits for (EME's and QSE's) as outlined in 1 and 2 above must be submitted by bidders in support of their B-BBEE level should comply with the Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (DTIC) format or Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) format which can be found on the respective DTIC and/or CIPC websites.
- Sworn Affidavits must comply with the requirements outlined in the Justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, No 16 of 1963 and its Regulations promulgated in Government Notice GNR 1258 of 21 July 1972 Justices of the Peace and Commissioners of Oaths Act, No. 16 of 1963

VALIDITY OF B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATES

- Verification agencies accredited by SANAS
 - These certificates are identifiable by a SANAS logo and a unique BVA number.
 - Confirmation of the validity of a B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate can be done by tracing the name of the issuing Verification Agency to the list of all SANAS accredited agencies. The list is accessible on <http://www.sanas.co.za/directory/bbee> default.
 - The relevant BVA may be contacted to confirm whether such a certificate is valid.

FINANCIAL PROPOSAL/COSTING (TO BE PRESENTED ON SEPARATE ENVELOP - 2nd Envelope)

SBD 3.3

PRICING SCHEDULE

(Professional Services)

Name of bidder.....

Bid number: GGDA/18/2024-25/AZURE STACK HCI SOLUTION

Closing Time: 11:00

Closing date: 04TH APRIL 2025

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 90 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

Bidders need to price their proposal in detail as per scope of work and deliverables expected.

ANNEXURE A

PRICING SCHEDULE

NB: Pricing schedule as per annexure A, not fully completed will render bidder’s price proposal as non-responsive and bidders’ price won’t be considered for evaluation for stage4

PART B

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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.

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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¹ 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.

2.3 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:
.....
.....

3 DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, (name)..... 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 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.

² 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.

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

**B2: THE NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL PARTICIPATION
PROGRAMME (CHOOSE ONLY IF APPLICABLE)**

This document must be signed and submitted together with your bid

INTRODUCTION

The National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme, which is applicable to all government procurement contracts that have an imported content, became effective on the 1 September 1996. The NIP policy and guidelines were fully endorsed by Cabinet on 30 April 1997. In terms of the Cabinet decision, all state and parastatal purchases / lease contracts (for goods, works and services) entered into after this date, are subject to the NIP requirements. NIP is obligatory and therefore must be complied with. The Industrial Participation Secretariat (IPS) of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) is charged with the responsibility of administering the programme.

1 PILLARS OF THE PROGRAMME

- 1.1 The NIP obligation is benchmarked on the imported content of the contract. Any contract having an imported content equal to or exceeding US\$ 10 million or other currency equivalent to US\$ 10 million will have a NIP obligation. This threshold of US\$ 10 million can be reached as follows:
- a) Any single contract with imported content exceeding US\$10 million.
 - Or
 - b) Multiple contracts for the same goods, works or services each with imported content exceeding US\$3 million awarded to one seller over a 2-year period which in total exceeds US\$10 million. Or
 - c) A contract with a renewable option clause, where should the option be exercised the total value of the imported content will exceed US\$10 million or
 - d) Multiple suppliers of the same goods, works or services under the same contract, where the value of the imported content of each allocation is equal to or exceeds US\$ 3 million worth of goods, works or services to the same government institution, which in total over a two (2) year period exceeds US\$10 million.
- 1.2 The NIP obligation applicable to suppliers in respect of sub-paragraphs 1.1 (a) to 1.1 (c) above will amount to 30 % of the imported content whilst suppliers in respect of paragraph 1.1 (d) shall incur 30% of the total NIP obligation on a pro-rata basis.
- 1.3 To satisfy the NIP obligation, the DTI would negotiate and conclude agreements such as investments, joint ventures, sub-contracting, licensee production, export promotion, sourcing arrangements and research and development (R&D) with partners or suppliers.
- 1.4 A period of seven years has been identified as the time frame within which to discharge the obligation.

2 REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY

- 2.1 In order to ensure effective implementation of the programme, successful bidders (contractors) are required to, immediately after the award of a contract that is in excess of R10 million (ten million Rands), submit details of such a contract to the DTI for reporting purposes.

2.2 The purpose for reporting details of contracts in excess of the amount of R10 million (ten million Rands) is to cater for multiple contracts for the same goods, works or services; renewable contracts and multiple suppliers for the same goods, works or services under the same contract as provided for in paragraphs 1.1.(b) to 1.1. (d) above.

3 BID SUBMISSION AND CONTRACT REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF BIDDERS AND SUCCESSFUL BIDDERS (CONTRACTORS)

3.1 Bidders are required to sign and submit this Standard Bidding Document (SBD 5) together with the bid on the closing date and time.

3.2 In order to accommodate multiple contracts for the same goods, works or services; renewable contracts and multiple suppliers for the same goods, works or services under the same contract as indicated in sub-paragraphs 1.1 (b) to 1.1 (d) above and to enable the DTI in determining the NIP obligation, successful bidders (contractors) are required, immediately after being officially notified about any successful bid with a value in excess of R10 million (ten million Rands), to contact and furnish the DTI with the following information:

- Bid / contract number.
- Description of the goods works or services.
- Date on which the contract was accepted.
- Name, address and contact details of the government institution.
- Value of the contract.
- Imported content of the contract, if possible.

3.3 The information required in paragraph 3.2 above must be sent to the Department of Trade and Industry, Private Bag X 84, Pretoria, 0001 for the attention of Mr. Elias Malapane within five (5) working days after award of the contract. Mr. Malapane may be contacted on telephone (012) 394 1401, facsimile (012) 394 2401 or e-mail at Elias@thedti.gov.za for further details about the programme.

4 PROCESS TO SATISFY THE NIP OBLIGATION

4.1 Once the successful bidder (contractor) has made contact with and furnished the DTI with the information required the following steps will be followed:

- (a) the contractor and the DTI will determine the NIP obligation;
- (b) the contractor and the DTI will sign the NIP obligation agreement;
- (c) the contractor will submit a performance guarantee to the DTI;
- (d) the contractor will submit a business concept for consideration and approval by the DTI;
- (e) upon approval of the business concept by the DTI, the contractor will submit detailed business plans outlining the business concepts;
- (f) the contractor will implement the business plans; and
- (g) the contractor will submit bi-annual progress reports on approved plans to the DTI.

4.2 The NIP obligation agreement is between the DTI and the successful bidder (contractor) and, therefore, does not involve the purchasing institution.

Bid Number_____ **Closing Date**_____

Name of Bidder_____

Postal_____ **Address**_____

Signature_____ **Name**_____ **Date**_____

PART C – PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEM

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

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 **80/20** preference point system.
- (b) **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 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

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

80/20

$$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$$

Where

P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

P_t = Price of tender under consideration

P_{min} = 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 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20

$$Ps = 80 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)$$

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 (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (Proof of evidence required)
B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor 1	20	
B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor 2	15	
B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor 3	10	
B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor 4	5	
The tenderer must be an entity which is at least 51% owned by black people who are youth.	N/A	
The tenderer must be an entity which is at least 51% owned by black people who are women.	N/A	
The tenderer must be an entity which is at least 51% owned by black people with disabilities.	N/A	
The tenderer must be an entity which is 51% owned by black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships.	N/A	
The tenderer must be an entity which is 51% owned by black people who are military veterans.	N/A	
The tenderer must supply locally manufactured goods and services in line with the Department of Trade and Industry thresholds for products designated for local content.	N/A	
The tenderer must be an entity which is a cooperative, which is 50% owned by black	N/A	

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (Proof of evidence required)
people.		
TOTAL POINTS FOR SPECIAL GOALS	20	

DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

4.3. Name of company/firm.....

4.4. Company registration number:

4.5. TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- One-person business/sole propriety
- Close corporation
- Public Company
- Personal Liability Company
- (Pty) Limited
- Non-Profit Company
- State Owned Company

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

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;
- (b) 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:

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PART D

D1: UNDERTAKINGS BY BIDDER IN RESPECT OF THIS BID

1. Definitions:

- 1.1 “The Board” means the accounting authority of Gauteng Growth and Development Agency appointed by the MEC
- 1.2 “Chief Executive Officer” [“CEO”] means the CEO of Gauteng Growth and Development Agency or her/his duly authorised representative as appointed by the Board in concurrence with the MEC;
- 1.3 “Contract” shall include any schedule, drawings, patterns, samples attached any agreement entered into and all other Schedule hereto;
- 1.4 “Contractor(s)” means Bidder whose bid has been accepted by Gauteng Growth and Development Agency;
- 1.5 “Cost of materials” means the cost of components, parts or materials which are intended for the production, manufacturing or assembling of the goods bid for and which are not produced, manufactured or assembled in the factory where the production, manufacture or assembly of such goods occurs, including freight, landing costs, port charges, import duties and other import costs of such components, parts or materials and all costs in connection with the handling and transport thereof prior to delivery at that factory;
- 1.6 “Final delivery certificate” means the document issued by Gauteng Growth and Development Agency confirming that all the known defects have been rectified and that the works, goods, or services appear in good order and have been accepted;
- 1.7 “Letter of acceptance” means the written communication by Gauteng Growth and Development Agency to the Contractor recording the acceptance by Gauteng Growth and Development Agency of Contractor’s bid subject to the further terms and conditions to be itemized in the contract;
- 1.8 “Local contents” means the portion of the bid price of local goods not constituting the cost of materials imported into the Republic;
- 1.9 “Local goods” means goods wholly or partly produced or manufactured or assembled in the Republic
- 1.10 “GGDA” shall mean Gauteng Growth and Development Agency;
- 1.11 “Order(s)” means an official letter issued by GGDA calling for the supply of goods pursuant to a contract or bid;
- 1.12 “Signature date” and in relation to any contract, means the date of the letter of acceptance;
- 1.13 “Bid” means an offer to supply goods/services to GGDA at a price;
- 1.14 “Bidder” means any person or body corporate offering to supply goods to GGDA;
- 1.15 “Termination date” in relation to any Contractor means the date of the final delivery certificate;
- 1.16 “Value added” means that portion of the bid price not constituting the cost of materials;
- 1.17 “Warranties” means collectively any, and all warranties listed and otherwise (if any) given by the Bidder in term of this agreement.

2. Interpretation

- 2.1 In his agreement clause headings are for convenience and shall not be used in its interpretation and, unless the context clearly indicate a contrary intention: -
- 2.2 An expression which denotes
- any gender includes the other gender;
 - a natural person included an artificial or juristic person and vice versa;
 - the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
- 2.3 Any reference to any statute, regulation or other legislation or official policy shall be a reference to that statute, regulation or other legislation or national policy as at the signature date, and as amended or re-enacted from time to time;
- 2.4 When any number of days is prescribed, such shall be reckoned inclusively of the first and inclusively of the last day, unless the last day falls on a day which is not a business day, in which case the last day shall be the next succeeding day which is a business day;
- 2.5 Where any term is defined within a particular clause, other than the interpretation clause, that term shall bear the meaning ascribed to it in that clause wherever it is used in this agreement.
3. I/we hereby bid:
- 3.1 to supply all or any of the supplies and/or to render all or any of the goods described in the attached documents to GGDA;
- 3.2 on the terms and conditions and in accordance with the specifications stipulated in the bid documents (and which shall be taken as part of incorporated into, this bid);
- 3.3 at the prices and on the terms regarding time for delivery and/or execution inserted therein.
4. I/we agree further that:
- 4.1 the offer herein shall remain binding upon me/us and open for acceptance by GGDA during the validity indicated and calculated from the closing time of the bid;
- 4.2 this bid and its acceptance shall be subject to the terms and additions contained in the Schedules hereto with which I am/we are fully acquainted;
5. notwithstanding anything to the contrary:
- 5.1 if/we withdraw my/our bid within the period for which I/we have agreed that the bid shall remain open for acceptance or fail to fulfil the contract when called upon to do so, GGDA may, without prejudice to its other rights, agree to the withdrawal of my/our bid or cancel the contract that may have been entered into between me/us and GGDA.
- 5.2 in such event, I/we shall then pay to GGDA any additional expense incurred by GGDA for having either to accept any less favourable bid or, If fresh bids have to be invited, the additional expenditure incurred by the invitation of fresh bids and by the subsequent acceptance of any less favourable bid;
- 5.3 GGDA shall also have the right in these circumstances, to recover such additional expenditure by set-off against monies which may be due or become due to me/us under this or any other bid or

contract or against any guarantee or deposit that may have furnished by me/us or on my/our behalf for the due fulfilment of this or any other bid or contract;

6. Pending the ascertainment of the amount of such additional expenditure GGDA may retain such monies, guarantee or deposit as security for any loss GGDA may sustain, as determined hereunder, by reason of my/our default;
- 6.1 any legal proceedings arising from this bid may in all respects be launched or instituted against me/us and I/we hereby undertake to satisfy fully any sentence or judgement which may be obtained against me/us as a result of such legal proceedings, and I/we undertake to pay GGDA legal costs on an attorney and own client basis;
- 6.2 if my/our bid is accepted that acceptance may be communicated to me/us by letter or facsimile and that proof of delivery of such acceptance to SA Post Office Ltd shall be treated as delivery to me/us;
- 6.3 the law of the Republic of South Africa shall govern the contract created by the acceptance of this bid;
7. I/we have satisfied myself/ourselves as to the correctness and validity of this bid, that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the work/item(s) specified in the bid documents and that the price(s) and rate(s) over all my/our obligations under a resulting contract and that I/we accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and calculations shall be at my/our risk;
8. I/we accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligation and conditions defaulting on me/us under this agreement as the principal(s) liable for the due fulfilment of this contract.
9. Notwithstanding full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions defaulting on me/us under this agreement as the principal(s) liable for the due fulfilment of this contract.
10. Notwithstanding the amount of cause of action involved I hereby consent to the jurisdiction of the Magistrate Court for the district of Johannesburg in respect of any action whatever arising from this contract.
11. I/we declare that I/we participation/no participation in the submission of any other offer for the supplies/services described in the attached documents. If your answer here is

Bidder's Information

Name of firm (company)

Postal Address

Physical Address

Contact Person

Telephone

Fax Number

Types of business

Principal business

Activities

12. The bidder hereby offers to render all or any of the services described in the attached documents to GGDA on the terms and conditions and in accordance with the specifications stipulated in these tender documents (and which shall be taken as part of, and incorporated into, this proposal at the prices inserted therein).
13. Bids submitted by companies must be signed by a person or persons duly authorised thereto by a resolution of a Board of Directors, a copy of which Resolution, duly certified be submitted with the bid.
14. The bidder hereby agrees that the offer herein shall remain binding upon him/her and receptive for acceptance by GGDA during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing hour and date of the tender; this proposal and its acceptance shall be subject to the terms and conditions contained in this tender document.
15. The bidder furthermore confirm that he/she has satisfied himself/herself as to the correctness and validity of his/her tender response that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the work/item(s) specified in the tender response documents and that the price(s) and rate(s) cover all his/her obligations under a resulting contract and that he/she accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and calculations will be at his/her risk.
16. The bidder hereby accepts full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on him/her under this agreement as the principal(s) liable for the due fulfilment of this contract.

D2: GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GGDA)

NOTES

The purpose of this document is to:

- (i) Draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts, and orders; and
- (ii) To ensure that suppliers be familiar with regard to the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with GGDA.

In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter.

- The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid and contract documents.
- (iii) Special Condition of Contract pertaining to contracts of this nature will be negotiated with the successful bidder.

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GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GGDA)

1. Definitions

The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:

- 1.1 “Closing time” means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.
- 1.2 “Contract” means the written agreement entered into between the client and the service provider, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference herein.
- 1.3 “Contract price” means the price payable to the service provider under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.
- 1.4 “Corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
- 1.5 “Countervailing duties” are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.
- 1.6 “Day” means calendar day.
- 1.7 “Delivery” means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
- 1.8 “Force majeure” means an event beyond the control of the service provider and not involving the service provider’s fault or negligence and not foreseeable.

Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the client in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.9 “Fraudulent practice” means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.
- 1.10 “GCC” means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.11 “Goods” means all of the equipment, machinery, service and/or other materials that the service provider is required to supply to the client under the contract.
- 1.12 “Imported content” means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the service provider or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.
- 1.13 “Local content” means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.14 “Order” means an official written order issued for the rendering of a service.

- 1.15 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.16 "The client" means the organization purchasing the service.
- 1.17 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.18 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.19 "Services" means those functional services ancillaries to the rendering of the service, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance, and other such obligations of the service provider covered under the contract.
- 1.20 "Written" or "in writing" means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.

2. Application

- 2.1 These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents.
- 2.2 Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works.
- 2.3 Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.

3. General

- 3.1 Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the client shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged.
- 3.2 With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Tender Bulletin. The Government Tender Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za

4. Standards

- 4.1 The service rendered shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.

5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection

- 5.1 The service provider shall not, without the client's prior written consent, contract disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, documents plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on and behalf of the client in connection therewith, to any person other information; than a person employed by the service provider in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be made in confidence and shall extend only so far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance.
- 5.2 The service provider shall not, without the client's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause except for purposes of performing the contract.

- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC Clause shall remain the property of the client and shall be returned (all copies) to the client on completion of the service provider's performance under the contract if so required by the client.
- 5.4 The service provider shall permit the client to inspect the service provider's records relating to the performance of the service provider and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the client, if so required by the client.

6. Patent rights

- 6.1 The service provider shall indemnify the client against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the service or any part thereof by the client.

7. Performance Security

- 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, security the successful bidder shall furnish to the client the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.
- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the client as compensation for any loss resulting from the service provider's failure to complete his obligations under the contract.
- 7.3 The performance security shall be denominated in the currency of the contract or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to the client and shall be in one of the following forms:
- (a) a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the client's country or abroad, acceptable to the client, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the client; or
 - (b) a cashier's or certified cheque
- 7.4 The performance security will be discharged by the client and returned to the service provider not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the service provider's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

8. Delivery and Documents

- 8.1 Rendering of service shall be made by the service provider in accordance with the document and terms as specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the service provider are specified in SCC.
- 8.2 Documents to be submitted by the service provider are specified in SCC.

9. Insurance

- 9.1 The service rendered under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency against loss or damage incidental to manufacture or acquisition, transportation, storage and delivery in the manner specified in the SCC.

10. Transportation

- 10.1 Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in the SCC.

11. Incidental Service

- 11.1 The service provider may be required to provide any or all of the following services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC:
- (a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the rendered service;
 - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the rendered service;
 - (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the rendered service;
 - (d) performance, supervision, or maintenance and/or repair of the rendered service, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the service provider of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
 - (e) training of the client's personnel, at the service provider's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the rendered service.
- 11.2 Prices charged by the service provider for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the service, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the service provider for similar services.

12. Warranty

- 12.1 The service provider warrants that the service rendered under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The service provider further warrants that all service rendered under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the client's specifications) or from any act or omission of the service provider, that may develop under normal use of the rendered service in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.
- 12.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the service, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC.
- 12.3 The client shall promptly notify the service provider in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.
- 12.4 If the service provider, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the client may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the service provider's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the client may have against the service provider under the contract.

13. Payment

- 13.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the service provider under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 13.2 The service provider shall furnish the client with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfilment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.

- 13.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the client, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the service provider.
- 13.4 Payment will be made in South African Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.
- 14. Prices**
- 14.1 Prices charged by the service provider for services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the service provider in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the client's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.
- 15. Contract amendments**
- 15.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.
- 16. Assignment**
- 16.1 The service provider shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the client's prior written consent.
- 17. Subcontracts**
- 17.1 The service provider shall notify the client in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contract if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the service provider from any liability or obligation under the contract.
- 18. Delays in the service provider's performance**
- 18.1 Performance of services shall be made by the service provider in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the client in the contract.
- 18.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the service provider or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely performance of services, the service provider shall promptly notify the client in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration, and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the service provider's notice, the client shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the service provider's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract.
- 18.3 No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority.
- 18.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the service provider's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the service provider's services are not readily available.
- 18.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the service provider in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the service provider liable to the imposition of penalties, pursuant to GCC Clause 22, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2 without the application of penalties.

- 18.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the client shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase service of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the service not rendered in conformity with the contract and to return any service rendered later at the service provider's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such service as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the service provider.

19. Penalties

- 19.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the service provider fails to perform services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the client shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The client may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

20. Termination for default

- 20.1 The client, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of for default contract, by written notice of default sent to the service provider, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:
- (a) if the service provider fails to deliver service within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the client pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;
 - (b) if the service provider fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
 - (c) if the service provider, in the judgment of the client, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 20.2 In the event the client terminates the contract in whole or in part, the client may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, services similar to those undelivered, and the service provider shall be liable to the client for any excess costs for such similar services. However, the service provider shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 20.3 Where the client terminates the contract in whole or in part, the client may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the service provider by prohibiting the service provider from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.
- 20.4 If the client intends imposing a restriction on the service provider or any person associated with the service provider, the service provider will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the service provider fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the client may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the service provider.
- 20.5 Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer / Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first-mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated.
- 20.6 If a restriction is imposed, the client must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:

- (i) the name and address of the service provider and / or person restricted by the client;
- (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction; and
- (iii) the period of restriction; and
- (iv) the reasons for the restriction.

These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of the service providers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

- 20.7 If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections 12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the Register for Tender Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.

21. Force Majeure

- 21.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the Majeure the service provider shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure.
- 21.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the service provider shall promptly notify the client in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the client in writing, the service provider shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.

22. Termination for insolvency

- 22.1 The client may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the service provider if the service provider becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the service provider, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the client.

23. Settlement of Disputes

- 23.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the client and the service provider in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation.
- 23.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the client or the service provider may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party.
- 23.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 23.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
- 23.5 Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein,

- (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and
- (b) the client shall pay the service provider any monies due the service provider.

24. Limitation of liability

- 24.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or wilful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
 - (a) the service provider shall not be liable to the client, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the service provider to pay penalties and/or damages to the client; and
 - (b) the aggregate liability of the service provider to the client, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment

25. Governing language

- 25.1 The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English

26. Applicable law

- 26.1 The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC

27. Notices

- 27.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the service provider concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper services of such notice
- 27.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.

28. Taxes and duties

- 28.1 A foreign the service provider shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the client's country.
- 28.2 A local the service provider shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted service to the client.
- 28.3 No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.

29. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

29.1 The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.

30. BIDDERS' INFORMATION / CONTACT DETAILS (THIS BELOW SECTION MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL AND SIGNED – if not fully completed and signed, bidder will be disqualified on admin stage)

NAME OF YOUR COMPANY (IN BLOCK LETTERS)

TYPES OF BUSINESS _____

PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES _____

COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER _____

BIDDER'S CSD NUMBER: _____

VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER _____

POSTAL ADDRESS (IN BLOCK LETTERS)

PHYSICAL ADDRESS (IN BLCOK LETTERS)

CONTACT PERSON/ NAME OF PERSON SIGNING (IN BLOCK LETTERS)

CAPACITY

ARE YOU DULY AUTHORISED TO SIGN THIS BID? _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

CELLPHONE NUMBER _____

E-MAIL _____

SIGNATURE(S) OF THE BIDDER OR ASSIGNEE(S)

DATE

ANNEXURE B

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT July 2010

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