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Invitation to Submit Bids

Bid Number: SAMRC/SCM-APL&CS/2024/17R

APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL OF LABORATORY AND CLINICAL SUPPLIERS

The South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC) invites bids from appropriately experienced, qualified, competent, professional service providers for the Appointment of a Panel of Laboratory and Clinical Suppliers. The successful bidder(s) will be required to render goods/ services as per the scope of work detailed in the bid document and be compliant with rules and regulations.

A **Compulsory In-Person** or virtual Briefing Session will be held at the SAMRC at the address mentioned below for submission of bids on 12 February 2025 @ 11H00. Prospective supplier(s) that wish to attend the virtual briefing sessions, should email their Microsoft Teams credential to Tenders@mrc.ac.za prior to the meeting date.

Completed bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing the bidder's company name, address, bid description and number, and hand-delivered or mailed to: Medical Research Council, Tender Box No. 2, Francie van Zijl Drive, Parow Valley, Tygerberg, 7580, Western Cape; and must arrive before the closing date and time. Late, faxed, or e-mailed bids will not be accepted. One (1) original hard copy of the completed bid document and 1 USB flash drive containing full and same tender information as in the hard copy (PDF format) should be submitted.

Alternatively, bidder(s) can submit their completed bids proposals with supporting documents through the SAMRC website ([Current Tenders](https://www.mrc.ac.za/CurrentTenders) | [South African Medical Research Council \(SAMRC.ac.za\)](https://www.mrc.ac.za/SouthAfricanMedicalResearchCouncil))

Responsive bids will firstly be evaluated on functionality and thereafter on a 90/10 preference point system in terms of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act 5 of 2000) and Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022.

Please note that:

- This bid is valid for one hundred and twenty (120) days after the closing date for the submission of bids;
- It is **compulsory** that bidders obtain bid documents available for downloading on the SAMRC website (<http://www.mrc.ac.za/Tenders/tenders.htm>) from 04 February 2025 to 28 February 2025. No hardcopy bid document will be issued by the SAMRC;
- Bidders must register on the National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD) prior to submitting bids, by login onto <https://secure.csd.gov.za/>. With effect from 1 July 2016, SAMRC may not award any bid to a supplier not registered as a prospective supplier on CSD. Submit with this bid your CSD supplier number and unique registration reference number for SAMRC to verify your company's registration on CSD;
- Negotiations for the bid award will only be concluded with the qualifying bidder(s) who is/are registered on the CSD and for whom key information outlined in this bid document is in order;
- SAMRC is not compelled to accept lowest or alternative bid, and reserves the right to accept part or the whole of any bid or cancel the bid;
- Bidder(s) must be able to supply all the required items as indicated in the bid specifications;
- Documents and USB submitted on time by bidders shall not be returned;
- Appointment will be subject to successful bidder agreeing to sign a service level agreement with the SAMRC to adhere to the terms and conditions set out in the bid document;
- It is envisaged that the SAMRC will conclude service contract with successful bidder for a period of 36 months, reviewed annually and may be extended with further 24 months at SAMRC discretion;
- All tender progress/results will be updated on the SAMRC website <http://www.samrc.ac.za/tenders-or-scm/current-tenders>;

All technical enquiries may be directed in writing to Mesuli Scwebu (Tenders@mrc.ac.za) and any other enquiries related to the bid process may be directed in writing to Supply Chain Management (tenders@mrc.ac.za). The bid number should be quoted in all correspondence. No telephonic enquiries will be responded to.

The closing date and time for the submission of bids is Friday, 28 February 2025 at 11H00.