



INVITATION TO QUOTE

RFQ NUMBER:	13/01/2023
DESCRIPTION OF GOOD/SERVICE/WORK REQUIRED:	Provision of an experienced Symposium Organizer to assist in arranging The Conservation Symposium for Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife in 2023.
NON-COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION	Tuesday, 28 February 2023 Meeting platform: MS Teams (please email: molefes@kznwildlife.com for the link to be forwarded to you or call 033 845 1365) Time: Time: 11:00
CLOSING DATE AND TIME:	Thursday, 08 March 2023 11:00am
QUOTATION DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY E-MAIL TO	procurement@kznwildlife.com
BID VALIDITY PERIOD:	60 Working days
FOR ATTENTION:	Snenhlanhla Molefe

NAME OF BIDDER	
QUOTE PRICE	R
BIDDERS SIGNATURE	

PART A INVITATION TO QUOTE

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO QUOTE FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE EZEMVELO KZN WILDLIFE					
RFQ NUMBER:		CLOSING DATE:	08 March 2023	CLOSING TIME:	11:00am
DESCRIPTION	PROVISION OF AN EXPERIENCED SYMPOSIUM ORGANIZER TO ASSIST IN ARRANGING THE CONSERVATION SYMPOSIUM FOR EZEMVELO KZN WILDLIFE IN 2023				
BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY E-MAIL TO:					
procurement@kznwildlife.com					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	Snenhlanhla Molefe		CONTACT PERSON	Sebataolo Rahlao	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	033 845 1165		TELEPHONE NUMBER	033 845 1257	
FACSIMILE NUMBER			FACSIMILE NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS	molefes@kznwildlife.com		E-MAIL ADDRESS	Rahlaos@kznwildlife.com	
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] ☐ Yes ☐ No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT		TICK APPLICABLE BOX] ☐ Yes ☐ No
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?		☐ Yes ☐ No [IF YES, ANSWER THE QUESTIONNAIRE BELOW]
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)? ☐ YES ☐ NO					
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA? ☐ YES ☐ NO					
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA? ☐ YES ☐ NO					
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA? ☐ YES ☐ NO					
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION? ☐ YES ☐ NO					
IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 BELOW.					

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, 2022, 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 SUBMIT THEIR 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 PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

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CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:

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(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

DATE:

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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES TO BIDDERS REGARDING THE COMPLETION OF BIDDING FORMS

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO TREASURY REGULATIONS 16A ISSUED IN TERMS OF THE PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT ACT, 1999, EZEMVELO KZN WILDLIFE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT POLICY AND ALL OTHER PRESCRIPTS THAT REGULATE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT IN THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA.

1. Unless inconsistent with or expressly indicated otherwise by the context, the singular shall include the plural and visa versa and with words importing the masculine gender shall include the feminine and the neuter.
2. Under no circumstances whatsoever may the quotation forms be retyped or redrafted.
3. The bidder is advised to check the number of pages and to satisfy himself that none are missing or duplicated.
4. **Bids submitted must be accurately completed. Bidders must ensure that all questions are answered. If questioned are “not applicable”, bidders must ensure that “N/A” is indicated in the relevant space. It is not permissible to leave blank spaces or unanswered questions. Bidders will only be considered if the quotation document is accurately completed and accompanied by all relevant certificates and other necessary applicable information. Failure to comply with the same will invalidate your quote.**
5. Any alteration made by the bidder must be initialed.
6. Bidder must initial each and every page of the quotation document.
7. For compulsory briefing sessions - Bidders must ensure that during a briefing session, the attendance register is signed. Failure to sign the attendance will result in the bid being disqualified.
8. **“Proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor” means-**
 - (a) the B-BBEE status level certificate issued by an authorised body or person;
 - (b) a sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice; or
 - (c) any other requirement prescribed in terms of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The evaluation process will be conducted in phase as follows:

Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4
Compliance and Completeness Screening	Functionality Criteria	Price and Preference goals	Awarding of quote
Compliance and completeness of proposal per the set of quotation conditions.	All Bids that scored below 60% be eliminated and not considered for further evaluation	Quote evaluated in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2022	Quote will be awarded to the bidder who scored the highest total number of points in terms of price and preference goals

1.1 Phase 1: Compliance and completeness screening

- Bidders must be fully registered on the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) at the closing time of the bid.
- Bid documents must be properly received on the bid closing date and time specified on the invitation.
- Bidders must ensure compliance in terms of tax obligations. No quotation may be awarded to any bidder whose tax matters have not been declared by the SARS to be in order.
- In quotations where consortia / joint ventures / sub-contractors are involved; each party must submit a separate Tax compliance status.

Quotation documents must be fully completed, dated, signed in ink, and initial every page of the quotation.

1.2 Phase 2: Functionality Criteria

All Bids that scored below 60% be eliminated and not considered for further evaluation. For functionality kindly refer to page 17 & 18.

1.3 Phase 3: Price and Preference goals

This quotation will be valued using the 80/20-point system.

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Documents to be submitted by bidders to claim points.
51% Black owned enterprise	Proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor and completed SBD 6.1. In the case of B-BBEE certificates, the bidder must also submit the full verification report which shows the percentage of Black ownership
51% owned by Black people who are women	Proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor and completed SBD 6.1.
51% owned by Black people who are youth	In the case of B-BBEE certificates, the bidder must also submit the full verification report which shows the percentage of Black women or Black Youth ownership.

REGISTRATION ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIERS DATABASE

1. In terms of the National Treasury Instruction Note, all suppliers of goods and services to the State are required to register on the Central Suppliers Database.
2. Prospective suppliers should self-register on the CSD website www.csd.gov.za
3. If a business is registered on the Database and it is found subsequently that false or incorrect information has been supplied, then the Department may, without prejudice to any other legal rights or remedies it may have.
 - 3.1 cancel a bid or a contract awarded to such supplier, and the supplier would become liable for any damages if a less favorable bid is accepted, or less favorable arrangements are made.
4. **The same principles as set out in paragraph 3 above are applicable should the supplier fail to request updating of its information on the Central Suppliers Database, relating to changed particulars or circumstances.**
5. IF THE SUPPLIER IS NOT REGISTERED AT THE CLOSING TIME OF BID, THE SUPPLIER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AT THE BID EVALUATION PROCESS.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I (name of bidder/authorized representative)
....., WHO

REPRESENTS (state name of bidder)CSD
Registration

Number.....

AM AWARE OF THE CONTENTS OF THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE WITH RESPECT TO THE BIDDER'S DETAILS AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION, AND THAT THE SAID INFORMATION IS CORRECT AND UP TO DATE AS ON THE DATE OF SUBMITTING THIS BID.

AND I AM AWARE THAT INCORRECT OR OUTDATED INFORMATION MAY BE A CAUSE FOR DISQUALIFICATION OF THIS BID FROM THE BIDDING PROCESS, AND/OR POSSIBLE CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT THAT MAY BE AWARDED ON THE BASIS OF THIS BID.

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SIGNATURE OF BIDDER OR AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE

DATE:

PRICING SCHEDULE – FIRM PRICES (PURCHASES)

NOTE: ONLY FIRM PRICES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NON-FIRM PRICES (INCLUDING PRICES SUBJECT TO RATES OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

IN CASES WHERE DIFFERENT DELIVERY POINTS INFLUENCE THE PRICING, A SEPARATE PRICING SCHEDULE MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH DELIVERY POINT

Name of bidder.....	RFQ number.....
Closing Time 11:00	Closing date.....

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 60 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	Price	Total Price
1	Provision of an experienced Symposium Organiser to assist in arranging The Conservation Symposium for Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife in 2023		
SUB-TOTAL			
VAT AT 15%			
GRAND TOTAL (BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY WITH ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)			

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- Required by:
 - At:
 - Brand and model
 - Country of origin
 - Does the offer comply with the specification(s)? *YES/NO
 - If not to specification, indicate deviation(s)
 - Period required for delivery
*Delivery: Firm/not firm
 - Delivery basis

Note: All delivery costs must be included in the bid price, for delivery at the prescribed destination.

****** "all applicable taxes" includes value- added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, unemployment insurance fund contributions and skills development levies.

*Delete if not applicable

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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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 they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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3 DECLARATION

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.

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.
- 3.8.

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

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.

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 **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 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
$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$	or	$P_s = 90 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{min}}{P_{min}} \right)$

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 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:

80/20	or	90/10
$P_s = 80 \left(1 + \frac{P_t - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)$	or	$P_s = 90 \left(1 + \frac{P_t - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)$

Where

P_s = Points scored for price of tender under consideration

P_t = Price of tender under consideration

P_{max} = 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.

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) (To be completed by the tenderer)
51% Black owned enterprise	10	
51% owned by Black people who are women	05	
51% owned by Black people who are youth	05	

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:	

Terms of Reference

The Conservation Symposium 2023

Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife is seeking an experienced Symposium Organiser to assist in arranging The Conservation Symposium for 2023 (the 2023 symposium to be held from 5 – 10 November 2023). Professional experience in arranging hybrid scientific symposiums is essential. We are anticipating about 350 – 400 in-person delegates, and up to 400 virtual delegates.

Key duties include all or a reasonable subset of the following:

- 1) Liaising closely with the chairperson and prepare for and attend all the Conservation Symposium Steering Committee and sub-committee meetings.
- 2) Prepare and manage a schedule of critical deadlines (project management).
- 3) Undertake financial control (in accordance with Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife requirements and any other requirements, e.g., PFMA, Treasury, etc.), including:
 - a. Preparing a budget based on Symposium requirements.
 - b. Obtaining quotes and preparing cash flow reports
 - c. Opening and operating a dedicated Symposium bank account
 - d. Liaising with Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife's designated financial manager.
 - e. Controlling and making payment of accounts
 - f. Receipt of monies derived from registration fees and other sources (e.g., donations, in-kind contributions, etc.)
 - g. Receipt of registration and exhibition fees
 - h. Preparing preliminary statements of accounts
 - i. Preparing the final statement of account
 - j. Preparing and presenting audited reports on budgets and cash flow
- 4) Co-ordinate and assist with documentation which includes:
 - a. Preparation and proof-reading of announcements
 - b. Receipt, acknowledgement and record-keeping of abstract submissions and onward forwarding to a designated Scientific Committee and reviewers for review
 - c. Communicate with authors regarding abstracts.
 - d. Preparation of accepted Abstracts via event management software for incorporation in a proceedings document
- 5) Procure and utilize online event management software to run most aspects of symposium programme preparation, registrations and hosting, including inter alia to:
 - a. Accept, review and respond to abstracts.
 - b. Manage and collate participants' registrations.
 - c. Maintain a list of delegates, including affiliation and contact details.
 - d. Maintain an up-to-date website for all symposium-related matters.
 - e. Manage the attendance and participation of virtual delegates.
 - f. Record presentations
- 6) Co-ordinate workshops, field trips and exhibitions before, during and after the symposium
- 7) Undertake necessary office administration, which includes.
 - a. Maintaining the central data system.
 - b. Maintaining online registration/correspondence.
 - c. Providing address for receipt of deliveries
 - d. Providing telephone, fax and e-mail information service
 - e. Replying to enquiries as the main contact person

- f. Preparation and proof-reading of the final programme
 - g. Distribution of announcements and programme
 - h. Taking care of all symposium logistics in liaison with the relevant Committees.
 - i. Maintain a task list/action schedule and remind committee members of due tasks
- 8) Correspond with all the Committees, keynote speakers, authors/programme convenors, sponsors, partners, exhibitors, service subcontractors, delegates/participants and any other person or persons that have specific roles in connection with the Symposium
 - 9) Identify potential sponsors and work with the chairperson and sponsors to secure pledges. Approximately 75% of the costs of hosting the symposium will need to come from sponsorships and delegate registrations and the symposium organiser will need to play a key role in project proposal writing, liaison and relationship building, and overall budgeting to ensure the symposium remains financially viable (at least breaks even).
 - 10) Coordinate and manage all accommodation and function bookings and Symposium registrations which would include:
 - a. Developing and managing a database for accommodation and function requirements and special food requirements in respect of all delegates
 - b. Provide necessary data or information concerning accommodation for all delegates.
 - 11) Arrange and coordinate transport to and from the airport for participants to the venue and places of accommodation and between the venue and accommodation.
 - 12) Arrange and coordinate the presence of a paramedic and, where necessary, any transport for emergencies (e.g., chemist, doctor, clinic, hospital)
 - 13) Manage, within reason, any crisis or unexpected event that may occur.
 - 14) Liaise with the venue Owners/Managers for onsite logistics and to ensure the smooth running of teas, meals and events of the Symposium, including ensuring special dietary requirements of delegates and other role-players in the conference.
 - 15) Provide a service or arrange subcontractors (appointment, liaison and management thereof, which may include finalising contracts or agreements) for
 - a. air carrier/s (if relevant)
 - b. travel agents and tour operators
 - c. transport: bus and car hire
 - d. caterers: teas, meals and special functions
 - e. Symposium tours and technical visits
 - f. audio-visual and IT requirements for in person and virtual presentations
 - g. entertainers
 - h. electronic media, press/journalists
 - i. webmaster for online registration and payment
 - j. Social media and marketing
 - 16) Arrange and make up the Symposium packs (Symposium bags and name tag holders to be obtained from a community project identified by the Steering Committee).
 - 17) Prepare name tags.
 - 18) Undertake a pre-Symposium equipment check.
 - a. Liaise with the Venue to ensure a place for posters is available and have the necessary equipment on standby to facilitate putting posters up.
 - b. Secure and liaise with IT and audio-visual service providers to ensure smooth running of the in-person and virtual presentations.
 - c. Ensure that all talks are recorded for subsequent hosting on the Conservation Symposium YouTube channel.

- 19) Undertake promotion and publicity where necessary.
 - a. International marketing to secure delegates
 - b. Local marketing to secure delegates using social media and other mechanisms.
 - c. Assist with media liaison during the event.
 - d. Assist with preparation of press kits.
 - e. Symposium photographer(s)
 - f. Post-Symposium information, local and international

- 20) Undertake 'in-Symposium' management, which may include:
 - a. Preparation of delegates list
 - b. Preparation of name badges
 - c. Preparation of control lists in respect of sessions, functions, transport and tours
 - d. Venue selection and preparation of venue staff
 - e. Venue floor plan and area allocation for events and services, e.g., transport and tours, information, posters, registration, meetings and functions
 - f. Setting up for registration
 - g. Collating of Symposium bags, documents, programme etc
 - h. Attendance at Symposium to register delegates.
 - i. Arrange 'how to' guides and in person briefing for authors re audio-visuals and procedure at the podium
 - j. Maintenance of full-time information counter
 - k. Control receipt of cash and credit card payments
 - l. Provide message/mail/courier service.

- 21) Post-Symposium aspects
 - a. Post-Symposium follow-up and evaluation
 - b. Arrange for audit of financial statements.
 - c. Prepare a report to sponsor and Ezemvelo's Board

- 22) Manage the registration process and desk at the venue (additional support will be provided by the Organising Committee)

- 23) Field trips, Workshops, exhibitions, etc.
 - a. Collating interest and bookings from participants and work with field trip organisers to facilitate these.
 - b. Coordinating logistics
 - c. Arrange transport for the field trips.

- 24) Provide an information service to the delegates.

- 25) Provide specialist advice to the Committees and assist or guide, where applicable, any volunteer involvement in the Symposium

- 26) Reporting back to the Committees as and when required.

- 27) Attending to matters of relevance, at the request of the Committees, that may arise.

- 28) Arrange for access to Dryfta (preferred event management software) or other similar software with similar or better functionalities.

We invite suitable companies to send us expressions of interest and detailed quotations as per the above duties.

Functionality Criteria

For certainty that the Bidder meets necessary requirements to undertake this Bid, Ezemvelo would need to satisfy itself that the Bidder has necessary resources, expertise, and experience for this Bid. Thus, the Bid functionality will be evaluated out of 100 percent (%) by using the following points weight categories. All Bids that scored below 60% be eliminated and not considered for further evaluation. The final percentage score of the bidders will be calculated as follows: points scored divided by 60 multiplied by 100 (**Ps/60*100**).

Item	Criteria	Sub-criteria	points	
1.	Company experience in running conservation symposiums and at least one hybrid symposium		20	
	Provide reference letters from clients relating to running conferences of 300 people or more and at least one hybrid symposium in the past ten (10) years. The letters must include the following information: company name, contact person, telephone number, services provided, conference dates, and the performance of the service provider per service provided. Note: ○ The inability to reach the contact person will result in points not being allocated. ○ Points will be allocated based on a positive reference. ○ Ensure evidence of running a hybrid conference or event is included	5 points will be allocated for each positive reference up to a maximum of 20 points.	20	
2.	Demonstrated knowledge of Dryfta (or equivalent) event management software for scientific symposiums. The alternative software must be able to have abstracts reviewed within.		20	
	Bidder to provide a list of conferences facilitated where Dryfta (or equivalent event management software) was used as the primary platform, with dates and number of delegates (in	5 points will be allocated for each event with appropriate evidence, up to a maximum of 20 points.	20	

Item	Criteria	Sub-criteria	points	
	person and virtual).			
3.	Project Leader and/or Project Team		20	
	The proposal must list the Project Leader and all of the team members. The project leader and/or project team members should have tertiary qualifications, proven and extensive experience in project management, coupled with at least 10 years' experience in event co-ordination. - Diploma or university degree in biological sciences or equivalent (>NQF Level 6) qualification is mandatory - Project management training (e.g. formal course or certificate in project management) is preferable Experience of project leader in similar field: >10 years = 10 points CV and reference letters from organisations to be attached as proof.	3.1. <u>Qualification</u> Evidence provided that at least one member of the project team has NQF Level 7 Qualification in Biological Sciences or any related field = 5 points Evidence provided that at least one member of the project team has NQF Level 6 Qualification in Biological Sciences or any related field = 2 points 3.2. Project Management Evidence provided that at least one member of the project team has formal project management training = 5 points 3.3. Experience Project leader has 10 years or more of experience running conferences = 10 Less than 10 years but above 5= 5 points 5 years of experience and below= 2 points	20 max	
	TOTAL		60	

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

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 purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.
- 1.3 "Contract price" means the price payable to the supplier 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 "Country of origin" means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.
- 1.7 "Day" means calendar day.
- 1.8 "Delivery" means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.
- 1.9 "Delivery ex stock" means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.
- 1.10 "Delivery into consignees store or to his site" means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.
- 1.11 "Dumping" occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.
- 1.12 "Force majeure" means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier's fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.
- 1.13 "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.
- 1.14 "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
- 1.15 "Goods" means all of the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.
- 1.16 "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 supplier 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.
- 1.17 "Local content" means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.
- 1.18 "Manufacture" means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.

- 1.19 "Order" means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.
- 1.20 "Project site," where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.
- 1.21 "Purchaser" means the organization purchasing the goods.
- 1.22 "Republic" means the Republic of South Africa.
- 1.23 "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
- 1.24 "Services" means those functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, 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 supplier covered under the contract.
- 1.25 "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 purchaser 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 goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.

5. Use of contract documents and information; inspection.

- 5.1 The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier 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 supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 except for purposes of performing the contract.
- 5.3 Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause 5.1 shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser.
- 5.4 The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.

6. Patent rights

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

7. Performance security

- 7.1 Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the notification of contract award, the successful bidder shall furnish to the purchaser the performance security of the amount specified in SCC.
- 7.2 The proceeds of the performance security shall be payable to the purchaser as compensation for any loss resulting from the supplier'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 purchaser and shall be in one of the following forms:

8. a bank guarantee or an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a reputable bank located in the purchaser's country or abroad, acceptable to the purchaser, in the form provided in the bidding documents or another form acceptable to the purchaser; or

9. a cashier's or certified cheque

- 9.1. The performance security will be discharged by the purchaser and returned to the supplier not later than thirty (30) days following the date of completion of the supplier's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.

10. Inspections, tests and analyses

- 10.1. All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder.
- 10.2. If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department.
- 10.3. If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned.
- 10.4. If the inspections, tests and analyses referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser.
- 10.5. Where the supplies or services referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 do not comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.
- 10.6. Supplies and services which are referred to in clauses 8.2 and 8.3 and which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected.
- 10.7. Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier.
- 10.8. The provisions of clauses 8.4 to 8.7 shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of Clause 23 of GCC.

11. Packing

- 1.1 The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit.
- 1.2 The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

12. Delivery and documents

- 12.1 Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in SCC.
- 12.2 Documents to be submitted by the supplier are specified in SCC.

13. Insurance

- 13.1 The goods supplied 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.

14. Transportation

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

15. Incidental Services

- 15.1 The supplier 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 supplied goods;
 - (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods;
 - (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods;
 - (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and
 - (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods.
- 15.2 Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.

16. Spare parts

- 16.1 As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier:
 - (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and
 - (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts:
 - (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and
 - (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested.

17. Warranty

- 17.1 The supplier warrants that the goods supplied 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 supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination.
- 17.2 This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, 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.
- 17.3 The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty.
- 17.4 Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser.
- 17.5 If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract.

18. Payment

- 18.1 The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC.
- 18.2 The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.
- 18.3 Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier.
- 18.4 Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.

19. Prices

- 19.1 Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.

20. Contract amendments

- 20.1 No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.

21. Assignment

- 21.1 The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.

22. Subcontracts

- 22.1 The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contracts if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.

23. Delays in the supplier's performance

- 23.1 Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract.
- 23.2 If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s). As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier'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.
- 23.3 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.
- 23.4 The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available.
- 23.5 Except as provided under GCC Clause 25, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier 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.
- 23.6 Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without cancelling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.

24. Penalties

- 24.1 Subject to GCC Clause 25, if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser 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 delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract pursuant to GCC Clause 23.

25. Termination for default

- 25.1 The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part:
 - (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser pursuant to GCC Clause 21.2;
 - (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or
 - (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract.
- 25.2 In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services. However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated.
- 25.3 Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years.
- 25.4 If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier 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 supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose

it on the supplier.

25.5 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.

25.6 If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information:

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

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

25.7 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.

26. Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights

26.1 When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or antidumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favourable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him.

27. Force Majeure

27.1 Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses 22 and 23, the supplier 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.

27.2 If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier 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.

28. Termination for insolvency

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

29. Settlement of Disputes

29.1 If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier 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.

- 29.2 If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier 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.
- 29.3 Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law.
- 29.4 Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC.
- 29.5 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 purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.

30. Limitation of liability

- 30.1 Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6;
- (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, 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 supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and
 - (b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, 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.

31. Governing language

- 31.1 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.

32. Applicable law

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

33. Notices

- 33.1 Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier 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 service of such notice
- 33.2 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.

34. Taxes and duties

- 34.1 A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country.
- 34.2 A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser.
- 34.3 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.

35. National Industrial Participation (NIP) Programme

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

36. Prohibition of Restrictive practices

- 36.1 In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging).
- 36.2 If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.

