

**PART A
 INVITATION TO BID**

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (South African National Biodiversity Institute)

BID NUMBER:	SANBI: IT458/2022	CLOSING DATE:	26 APRIL 2022	CLOSING TIME:	11:00am
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DESCRIPTION APPOINTMENT OF AN ACCREDITED AND QUALIFIED SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, CONFIGURATION, DEPLOYMENT, MONITORING AND SUPPORT OF VEEAM FOR MICROSOFT OFFICE 365 CLOUD BACKUP SOLUTION FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS

BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS MAY BE DEPOSITED IN THE BID BOX SITUATED AT (STREET ADDRESS)

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Biodiversity Centre
 Pretoria National Botanical Garden,
 2 Cussonia Avenue,
 Brummeria Pretoria

Virtual Compulsory briefing session date: 05 April 2023 at 11:00am.

Please use Microsoft Teams link on page 15 to join the meeting.

BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO	TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:
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CONTACT PERSON		CONTACT PERSON	
TELEPHONE NUMBER		TELEPHONE NUMBER	
FACSIMILE NUMBER		FACSIMILE NUMBER	
E-MAIL ADDRESS	sanbi.tenders@sanbi.org.za	E-MAIL ADDRESS	

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	TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	☐ Yes ☐ No		☐ 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? ☐ NO		☐ YES	
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? NO		☐ YES ☐	
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, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
- 1.4. **THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).**

2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
- 2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO 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:

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:
 (Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

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.....Bid number: **SANBI: IT458/2022**

Closing Time 11:00

Closing date: **26 April 2023**

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR **120 DAYS** FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

ITEM NO.	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY
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**** (ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)**

- Required by:

- At:

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- 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 or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

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.

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:

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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.

3.4 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.

3.5 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.

3.6 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

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

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

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Signature

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Date

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Position

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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 **90/10** preference point system.
- b) The applicable preference point system for this tender is the **80/20** preference point system.
- c) Either the **90/10 or 80/20 preference point system** will be applicable in this tender. The lowest/ highest acceptable tender will be used to determine the accurate system once tenders are received.

1.3 Points for this tender (even in the case of a tender for income-generating contracts) shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price; and
- (b) Specific Goals.

1.4 To be completed by the organ of state:

The maximum points for this tender are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	
SPECIFIC GOALS	
Total points for Price and SPECIFIC GOALS	100

1.5 Failure on the part of a tenderer to submit proof or documentation required in terms of this tender to claim points for specific goals with the tender, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for specific

goals are not claimed.

- 1.6 The organ of state reserves the right to require of a tenderer, either before a tender is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the organ of state.

2. DEFINITIONS

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

3. FORMULAE FOR PROCUREMENT OF GOODS AND SERVICES

3.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

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

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

Where

- Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration
- Pt = Price of tender under consideration
- Pmin = Price of lowest acceptable tender

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

3.2.1. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

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

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 \mathbf{80/20} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{90/10} \\
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 \mathbf{Ps = 80 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)} & \mathbf{or} & \mathbf{Ps = 90 \left(1 + \frac{Pt - P_{max}}{P_{max}} \right)}
 \end{array}$$

Where

- Ps = Points scored for price of tender under consideration
- Pt = Price of tender under consideration
- Pmax = Price of highest acceptable tender

4. POINTS AWARDED FOR SPECIFIC GOALS

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

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

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

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

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

The specific goals allocated points in terms of this tender	Number of points allocated (90/10 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points allocated (80/20 system) (To be completed by the organ of state)	Number of points claimed (90/10 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)	Number of points claimed (80/20 system) (To be completed by the tenderer)
Categories of persons historically disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of race. Information will be verified on the CSD report. Points will be allocated based on the percentage of ownership per goal Black Ownership = 10 Points	(10)	(10)		
Categories of persons historically disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of gender. Information will be verified on the CSD report. Points will be allocated based on the percentage of ownership per goal Female Ownership = 5 Points	(5)	(5)		
Categories of persons historically disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of disability Information will be verified on the CSD report. Points will be allocated based on the percentage of ownership per goal Disability Ownership = 5 Points	(5)	(5)		



Total	20	20		
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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.



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SIGNATURE(S) OF TENDERER(S)

SURNAME AND NAME:

DATE:

ADDRESS:

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REQUEST FOR TENDER

for

APPOINTMENT OF AN ACCREDITED AND QUALIFIED SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, CONFIGURATION, DEPLOYMENT, MONITORING AND SUPPORT OF VEEAM FOR MICROSOFT OFFICE 365 CLOUD BACKUP SOLUTION FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS

**South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)
Private Bag X101
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South Africa**

TENDER No: SANBI: IT458/2022

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1. Introduction and background

The SANBI email system has been migrated to the Microsoft Office 365 (O365) cloud solution to host and provide online collaboration services (Microsoft Teams/Email). The migration has enabled improved mobility, accessibility and security of email services for all stakeholders.

SANBI wishes to implement a VEEAM cloud based back-up solution for the SANBI email residing in the SANBI Microsoft Office 365 cloud platform. The mitigation of data loss by installing a cloud software solution will expand the disaster recovery scope to collaboration services.

The current VEEAM backup solution installed on the on-premise SANBI infrastructure caters for the backup of SANBI content, however the implementation of a cloud based solution will further enable our disaster recovery capability as it will introduce a broader scope of disaster recovery by doing backups on both the internal servers as well as the SANBI email environment hosted in the cloud.

2. Invitation to tender

SANBI wishes to invite suitably accredited and qualified Service Providers to supply, install, configure, deploy, monitor and support a VEEAM backup solution for the SANBI Microsoft O365 environment for a period of three (3) years.

The tender process will be co-ordinated by SANBI's Supply Chain Management (SCM) department, contactable at the following address and bidders may direct technical and bidding procedure enquiries to the email addresses below. All responses will be communicated via this tender's advertisement webpage on the SANBI website at: www.sanbi.org

Deputy Director: Supply Chain Management
The South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI)
Private Bag X101
Silverton
0184
Email: sanbi.tenders@sanbi.org.za

The Tender closes on 26 April 2023

3. Compulsory virtual briefing session (Virtual)

A virtual compulsory briefing session will take place **05 April 2023 from 11:30 to 13:00** via Microsoft Teams. Two representatives per Service Provider will be allowed to attend this virtual scheduled compulsory briefing session. Bidders who wish to attend the virtual compulsory briefing session are requested to use the following link:

https://teams.microsoft.com/join/19%3ameeting_N2VkYTQ1ODItYWU2ZC00ZmMxLTlkZTYtMjczMjRkZjYwZTM5%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%220b847c5e-73e2-4441-8789-9c092d2dd489%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22e4ac6017-5bc2-4a6f-a7bf-f314aa5da08b%22%7d

SANBI will not respond to any questions or requests for clarification if received after 14 April 2023
 All questions submitted by prospective bidders and responses to these questions by SANBI will be forwarded to all bidders who attended the compulsory briefing session.

4. Scope of work

The solution proposed must integrate with SANBI's current on-premise backup solution and provide for the following:

- Supply VEEAM backup licenses for 2500 users (there are currently 1200 active user accounts)
- The supply of VEEAM subscription for a period of three (3) years
- An online backup or an on-premise physical backup and recovery capability (the physical server must have 100TB repository and a three year Next Business Day onsite warranty)

Server Specifications

Rack mount		
CPU/host	RAM/host	Storage/host
1x 8core 16thread CPU	768Gb	2x 500Gb SSD's
Shared Storage	100TB usable Storage	

The service provider must

- Undertake the maintenance of the solution implemented for three (3) years
- Ensure full deployment and management (manual or automated) of the solution across all SANBI offices
- Provide full administrative training to SANBI IT support staff and system administrators during execution of the project
- Ensure that SANBI can recover from a data loss via email data on the SANBI cloud Microsoft O365 environment
- Protect the integrity of SANBI data on the Microsoft O365 cloud based environment
- Perform all software upgrades and firmware updates with minimal impact on the Microsoft O365 environment
- Provide a full project plan on the proposed implementation/solution
- Provide a detailed business operations risk mitigation strategy to mitigate any impact during either the cloud or on-premise solution deployment phase.
- Provide a full project plan on the proposed implementation/solution

The Service Provider must be self-motivated and results driven, with the ability to work independently and deliver efficiently on the deliverables within the timeframes required. The Service Provider must hold the following certifications for both the company as well as the engineers indicated.

- VEEAM Platinum Partner
- Must have at least one VEEAM Technical Sales Professional (VMTSP)
- Be an OEM Hardware Titanium Partner
- Have key team members with specific experience, skills and capacity to configure, deploy and support the solution
 - Provide at least two VMCE (Veeam Certified Engineer) certifications
 - Provide at least two VEEAM Certified Architect (VMCA) certifications
- Demonstrate an understanding of VEEAM Microsoft O365 backup and recovery solutions

5. Requirements for proposals

5.1 Mandatory documents required

Each submission must include the following **(failure to provide below documentation will result in the proposal being rejected)**:

- A letter of Good Standing from the office of the Compensation Commissioner as required by the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act (COIDA), if applicable. The letter should be issued by the Department of Labour.
- A copy of the Central Suppliers Database (CSD) registration report.
- Fully completed SBD forms.
- Pricing details: **The pricing details must only be included in the 'original' document as per the section on submission below. Inclusion of pricing in the electronic copy delivered on USB will result in the tender being rejected (see Section 11 and 12=).**

5.2. Other documents for evaluation

Failure to submit these documents will not result in disqualification, however, the information contained in them is required for evaluation purposes. The proposal must include:

- Details of the Service Provider, including company profile and relevant skills, experience and competencies of the individuals responsible for the work. Up-to-date CVs must be included for the Project Manager, Technical Manager, Certified Engineers and the individuals in the technical team who will implement the project. Each CV should not be longer than three pages.
- VEEAM Platinum Partner Certification
- One VEEAM Technical Sales Professional (VMTSP)
- An OEM Hardware Titanium Partner (provide certification)
- Provide at least two VMCE (Veeam Certified Engineer) certifications
- Provide at least two VEEAM Certified Architect (VMCA) certifications
- Detailed proposal and work plan that explains how the Service Provider plans to fulfil the scope of work, with the proposed start and completion dates including all timeframes and activities to be undertaken.

- A list of similar relevant projects that have been conducted within the past five years with a brief description of the scope and scale of the project.
- Four (4) positive reference letters for similar work that has been conducted within the past five years providing referee contact details, contract duration and value, and services rendered.

SANBI shall not be held liable for any cost that has been incurred by the Service Provider in the preparation of the proposal, the obtaining of certificates or any other cost that might be incurred in submitting the proposal.

8. Evaluation criteria

In accordance with the National Treasury Instruction Note on the Amended Guidelines in Respect of Bids that include Functionality as a Criterion for Evaluation (issued 3 September 2010), this bid will be evaluated in two stages:

The first stage will evaluate functionality according to the criteria listed in the table below.

CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING FUNCTIONALITY		WEIGHT / POINTS								
Technical Merit of the Proposal		25								
Accuracy, quality and completeness of the proposal	5									
Scope of work and methodology approach to be used in the implementation demonstrates an understanding of the project	10									
Detailed project plan including timeframes	10									
Past Experience and Overall Track Record		30								
This refers to the experience of the Service Provider to undertake the scope of work involved in this tender.										
Experience of the company in the implementation of VEEAM cloud backup solutions (including certifications as indicated under Scope of work provided)	10									
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TOTAL			100								

** Service Providers who fail to score a minimum of 70 points out of a possible 100 points on functionality criteria will not be eligible for further consideration.

Sufficient information must be provided to allow the Bid Evaluation Committee to evaluate bids against these functionality criteria.

In accordance with the National Treasury Note on the Amended Guidelines in Respect of Bids that include Functionality as a Criterion for Evaluation (issued 3 September 2010, this bid will be evaluated in two stages

The first stage will evaluate functionality according to the criteria listed in the Terms of Reference. The second stage will be evaluated on Price and Specific Goals of those bids that meet the minimum threshold for functionality of 70 points. In accordance with the Preferential Procurement Regulation 2022 pertaining to the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (No.5 of 2000), the 80/20 point system will be applied in evaluating proposals that qualify for further consideration, where price constitutes 80 points and specific goals constitutes 20 points which is a maximum of 100 points. The contract will be awarded based on the bidder that scores the highest total points.

Specific Goals

Specific Goal	Total Points
Categories of persons historically disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of race. Information will be verified on the CSD report. Points will be allocated based on the percentage of ownership per goal Black Ownership = 10 Points	(10)
Categories of persons historically disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of gender. Information will be verified on the CSD report. Points will be allocated based on the percentage of ownership per goal Female Ownership = 5 Points	(5)
Categories of persons historically disadvantaged by unfair discrimination on the basis of disability Information will be verified on the CSD report. Points will be allocated based on the percentage of ownership per goal Disability Ownership = 5 Points	(5)
Total	20

10 Contract period

The appointment as the successful Service Provider shall be subject to all parties agreeing to mutually acceptable contractual Terms and Conditions. In the event of all parties failing to reach an agreement within 30 days from the appointment date, SANBI reserves the right to appoint the second highest bidder, or to re-advertise should that Service Provider not be acceptable. The duration of the contract shall be for a period of three (3) years, which will be reviewed every twelve (12) months based on performance against an agreed Service Level Agreement (SLA).

11 Pricing

The Tender, must include a pricing schedule which clearly sets out the cost of providing the services as well as any other charges. The pricing quoted must be valid for at least 90 (ninety) days from the closing of the tender. The proposal must indicate cost breakdown as indicated in Annexure B. **Please refer to section 12 below on pricing submission.**

The final price must be inclusive of VAT and will be considered the fees for the duration of the contract.

12 Submission of tender

All tender documents submitted will remain valid for a period of four (4) calendar months (120 days). The final price must be inclusive of VAT and will be considered the fees for the duration of the contract.

In respect of Bids that include functionality as a criterion for evaluation (Issued 3 September 2010), the two envelope system will be used for this bid.

Service Providers are to submit **one (1) pack** of original proposals, marked "ORIGINAL" in an envelope, with pricing included, and **one (1) electronic copy on USB**, marked "COPY" in a second envelope. The electronic copy on USB must exclude pricing details.

Financial and pricing details must only be included in the pack marked "ORIGINAL".

NB. Failure to submit:

- one pack of original documents with pricing included; and
- one electronic copy on USB without pricing data

in the prescribed manner WILL lead to the bid being disqualified.

All documents must be neatly bound, clearly labelled and include a Table of Contents.

Tenders must be submitted in the tender box located in the reception area of the Biodiversity Centre Building at the Pretoria National Botanical Garden, 2 Cussonia Avenue, Brummeria, Pretoria, during office hours before the tender closing date and time.

Normal office hours are from 08:00 to 16:00 daily. E-mailed and faxed submissions will not be accepted. Late submissions will be disqualified.

Bidders must ensure that the persons delivering the bids understand where and how delivery is to take place.

ANNEXURE A: SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

Any award made to a bidder(s) under this bid is conditional, amongst others, upon –

- a. The bidder(s) accepting the terms and conditions contained in the Special Conditions of Contract as the minimum terms and conditions upon which SANBI is prepared to enter into a contract with the successful Bidder(s).
- b. The bidder submitting the General Conditions of Contract to SANBI together with its bid, duly signed by an authorised representative of the bidder.

1. SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT

- 1.1. Upon award SANBI and the successful bidder will conclude a Service Level Agreement or Standard Independent Contractor Agreement regulating the specific terms and conditions applicable to the services being procured by SANBI, more or less in the format of the draft Service Level Indicators included in this tender pack.
- 1.2. SANBI reserves the right to vary the proposed draft Service Level Indicators and/or Milestones during the course of negotiations with a bidder by amending or adding thereto.
- 1.3. Bidder(s) are requested to:
 - a. Comment on draft Service Level Indicators and/or Milestones and where necessary, make proposals to these;
 - b. Explain each comment and/or amendment; and
 - c. Use an easily identifiable colour font or “track changes” for all changes and/or amendments to the Service Level Indicators and/or Milestones for ease of reference.
- 1.4. SANBI reserves the right to accept or reject any or all amendments or additions proposed by a bidder if such amendments or additions are unacceptable to SANBI or pose a risk to the organisation.

2. SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF THIS BID

SANBI reserves the right:

- 2.1. To award this tender to a bidder that did not score the highest total number of points, only in accordance with section 2(1)(f) of the PPPFA (Act 5 of 2000)
- 2.2. To negotiate with one or more preferred bidder(s) identified in the evaluation process, regarding any terms and conditions, including price without offering the same opportunity to any other bidder(s) who have not been awarded the status of the preferred bidder(s).
- 2.3. To accept part of a tender rather than the whole tender.
- 2.4. To carry out site inspections, product evaluations or explanatory meetings in order to verify the nature and quality of the services offered by the bidder(s), whether before or after adjudication of the Bid.
- 2.5. To correct any mistakes at any stage of the tender that may have been in the Bid documents or occurred at any stage of the tender process.
- 2.6. To cancel and/or terminate the tender process at any stage, including after the Closing Date and/or after presentations have been made, and/or after tenders have been evaluated and/or after the preferred bidder(s) have been notified of their status as such.
- 2.7. Award to multiple bidders based either on size or geographic considerations.

3. SANBI REQUIRES BIDDER(S) TO DECLARE

In the Bidder's Technical response, bidder(s) are required to declare the following:

- 3.1. Confirm that the bidder(s) is to: –
 - a. Act honestly, fairly, and with due skill, care and diligence, in the interests of SANBI;
 - b. Have and employ effectively the resources, procedures and appropriate technological systems for the proper performance of the services;
 - c. Act with circumspection and treat SANBI fairly in a situation of conflicting interests;
 - d. Comply with all applicable statutory or common law requirements applicable to the conduct of business;
 - e. Make adequate disclosures of relevant material information including disclosures of actual or potential own interests, in relation to dealings with SANBI;

- f. Avoidance of fraudulent and misleading advertising, canvassing and marketing;
- g. To conduct their business activities with transparency and consistently uphold the interests and needs of SANBI as a client before any other consideration; and
- h. To ensure that any information acquired by the bidder(s) from SANBI will not be used or disclosed unless the written consent from SANBI has been obtained to do so.

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST, CORRUPTION AND FRAUD

- 4.1. SANBI reserves its right to disqualify any bidder who either itself or any of whose members (save for such members who hold a minority interest in the bidder through shares listed on any recognised stock exchange), indirect members (being any person or entity who indirectly holds at least a 15% interest in the bidder other than in the context of shares listed on a recognised stock exchange), directors or members of senior management, whether in respect of SANBI or any other government organ or entity and whether from the Republic of South Africa or otherwise ("Government Entity"), —
- a. engages in any collusive tendering, anti-competitive conduct, or any other similar conduct, including but not limited to any collusion with any other bidder in respect of the subject matter of this bid;
 - b. seeks any assistance, other than assistance officially provided by a Government Entity, from any employee, advisor or other representative of a Government Entity in order to obtain any unlawful advantage in relation to procurement or services provided or to be provided to a Government Entity;
 - c. makes or offers any gift, gratuity, anything of value or other inducement, whether lawful or unlawful, to any of SANBI's officers, directors, employees, advisors or other representatives;
 - d. makes or offers any gift, gratuity, anything of any value or other inducement, to any Government Entity's officers, directors, employees, advisors or other representatives in order to obtain any unlawful advantage in relation to procurement or services provided or to be provided to a Government Entity;
 - e. accepts anything of value or an inducement that would or may provide financial gain, advantage or benefit in relation to procurement or services provided or to be provided to a Government Entity;
 - f. pays or agrees to pay to any person any fee, commission, percentage, brokerage fee, gift or any other consideration, that is contingent upon or results from the award of any tender, contract,

right or entitlement which is in any way related to procurement or the rendering of any services to a Government Entity;

- g. has in the past engaged in any matter referred to above; or
- h. has been found guilty in a court of law on charges of fraud and/or forgery, regardless of whether or not a prison term was imposed and despite such bidder, member or director's name not specifically appearing on the List of Tender Defaulters kept at National Treasury.

5. MISREPRESENTATION DURING THE LIFECYCLE OF THE CONTRACT

- 5.1. The bidder should note that the terms of its Tender will be incorporated in the proposed contract by reference and that SANBI relies upon the bidder's Tender as a material representation in making an award to a successful bidder and in concluding an agreement with the bidder.
- 5.2. It follows therefore that misrepresentations in a Tender may give rise to service termination and a claim by SANBI against the bidder notwithstanding the conclusion of the Service Level Agreement between SANBI and the bidder for the provision of the Service in question. In the event of a conflict between the bidder's proposal and the Service Level Agreement concluded between the parties, the Service Level Agreement will prevail.

6. PREPARATION COSTS

The Bidder will bear all its costs in preparing, submitting and presenting any response or Tender to this bid and all other costs incurred by it throughout the bid process. Furthermore, no statement in this bid will be construed as placing SANBI, its employees or agents under any obligation whatsoever, including in respect of costs, expenses or losses incurred by the bidder(s) in the preparation of their response to this bid.

7. INDEMNITY

If a bidder breaches the conditions of this bid and, as a result of that breach, SANBI incurs costs or damages (including, without limitation, the cost of any investigations, procedural impairment, repetition of all or part of the bid process and/or enforcement of intellectual property rights or confidentiality obligations), then the bidder indemnifies and holds SANBI harmless from any and all such costs which SANBI may incur and for any damages or losses SANBI may suffer.

8. PRECEDENCE

This document will prevail over any information provided during any briefing session whether oral or written, unless such written information provided, expressly amends this document by reference.

9. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

A bidder participates in this bid process entirely at its own risk and cost. SANBI shall not be liable to compensate a bidder on any grounds whatsoever for any costs incurred or any damages suffered as a result of the Bidder's participation in this Bid process.

10. TAX COMPLIANCE

No tender shall be awarded to a bidder who is not tax compliant. SANBI reserves the right to withdraw an award made, or cancel a contract concluded with a successful bidder in the event that it is established that such bidder was in fact not tax compliant at the time of the award, or has submitted a fraudulent Tax Clearance Certificate to SANBI or whose verification against the Central Supplier Database (CSD) proves non-compliant. SANBI further reserves the right to cancel a contract with a successful bidder in the event that such bidder does not remain tax compliant for the full term of the contract.

11. TENDER DEFAULTERS AND RESTRICTED SUPPLIERS

No tender shall be awarded to a bidder whose name (or any of its members, directors, partners or trustees) appear on the Register of Tender Defaulters kept by National Treasury, or who have been placed on National Treasury's List of Restricted Suppliers. SANBI reserves the right to withdraw an award, or cancel a contract concluded with a Bidder should it be established, at any time, that a bidder has been blacklisted with National Treasury by another government institution.

12. GOVERNING LAW

South African law governs this bid and the bid response process. The bidder agrees to submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the South African courts in any dispute of any kind that may arise out of or in connection with the subject matter of this bid, the bid itself and all processes associated with the bid.

13. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUB-CONTRACTORS AND BIDDER'S PERSONNEL

A bidder is responsible for ensuring that its personnel (including agents, officers, directors, employees, advisors and other representatives), its sub-contractors (if any) and personnel of its sub-contractors comply with all terms

and conditions of this bid. In the event that SANBI allows a bidder to make use of sub-contractors, such sub-contractors will at all times remain the responsibility of the bidder and SANBI will not under any circumstances be liable for any losses or damages incurred by or caused by such sub-contractors.

14. CONFIDENTIALITY

Except as may be required by operation of law, by a court or by a regulatory authority having appropriate jurisdiction, no information contained in or relating to this bid or a bidder's tender(s) will be disclosed by any bidder or other person not officially involved with SANBI's examination and evaluation of a Tender.

No part of the bid may be distributed, reproduced, stored or transmitted, in any form or by any means, electronic, photocopying, recording or otherwise, in whole or in part except for the purpose of preparing a Tender. This bid and any other documents supplied by SANBI remain proprietary to SANBI and must be promptly returned to SANBI upon request together with all copies, electronic versions, excerpts or summaries thereof or work derived therefrom.

Throughout this bid process and thereafter, bidder(s) must secure SANBI's written approval prior to the release of any information that pertains to (i) the potential work or activities to which this bid relates; or (ii) the process which follows this bid. Failure to adhere to this requirement may result in disqualification from the bid process and civil action.

15. SANBI PROPRIETARY INFORMATION

Bidder will on their bid cover letter (SBD1) make declaration that they did not have access to any SANBI proprietary information or any other matter that may have unfairly placed that bidder in a preferential position in relation to any of the other bidder(s).

16. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Should funds no longer be available to pay for the execution of the responsibilities of this bid (**SANBI: IT....2023**) SANBI may terminate the Agreement at its own discretion or temporarily suspend all or part of the services by notice to the successful bidder. The successful bidder shall immediately make arrangements to stop the performance of the services and minimize further expenditure; provided that the successful bidder shall thereupon be entitled to payment in full for the services delivered, up to the date of cancellation or suspension.

ANNEXURE B: Pricing schedule

(to be fixed over the term of the contract)

	Cost ex Vat	Vat	Total Cost incl. Vat
Physical Server Option ** once off costs**			
Installation, Configuration and Deployment at Kirstenbosch National Botanical Garden			
Software Licensing	R	R	
• Year 1 1800 users			
• Year 2			
• Year 3			
Once off costs for implementation and deployment of the solution	R	R	
Maintenance, Support and Remote Services	R	R	
• Year 1			
• Year 2			
• Year 3			
Total Solution Costs			
Total Vat			
Total Costs			