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REQUEST FOR BIDS

SAINT LUCIA

CARIBBEAN DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION PROJECT (CARDTP)

Loan No. /Credit No.: *IDA Credit # 6682-LC*

Contract Title: Support for purchase of digital devices and associated digital content to access among all Grade 6 and Form 1 for remote learning by students, SALCC & Civil Servants

Reference No.: SLU_CARDTP_G_RFB_3

1. The Government of Saint Lucia has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Caribbean Digital Transformation Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for the **purchase of digital devices and associated digital content to access among all Grade 6 and Form 1 for remote learning by students & Civil Servants** which includes the following:

Lot 1 - Tablets

Lot 2 – Laptop (Education)

Lot 3 – Laptop (SALCC)

Lot 4 – Laptop (Public Servants)

The delivery period is Ninety (90) calendar days.

2. The *Department of Public Service* now invites bids from eligible bidders for the purchase of digital devices and associated digital content to access among all Grade 6 and Form 1 for remote learning by students, SALCC & Civil Servants as per the specifications and quantities outlined in the Bidding Document.

3. Qualification Requirements Include:

(a) If the Bidder is a manufacturer:

(i) Financial Capability

The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence that it meets the following financial requirement(s):

- Copies of the audited accounts for the past three financial years (2018 to 2020);
- Average annual turnover over the last 3 years of minimum of 1.5 times the total value of lots tendered for;
- Access to lines of credit / financial sources of minimum of the total value of lots tendered for.

(ii) Experience and Technical Capacity

The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence to demonstrate that it meets the following experience requirement(s):

- Documentary evidence of having supplied similar items (by value, quantity and specification) to at least two other purchasers during the past five years – this may be in the form of a statement from the purchaser/customer or a copy of a signed delivery note.

(iii) Documentary Evidence

The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence to demonstrate that the Goods it offers meet the following usage requirement:

- Basic functionality for online learning of primary and secondary school students.

(b) If Bidder is not a manufacturer:

If a Bidder is not a manufacturer, but is offering the Goods on behalf of the Manufacturer under Manufacturer's Authorization Form (Section IV, Bidding Forms), the Manufacturer shall demonstrate the above qualifications (i), (ii), (iii) and the Bidder shall demonstrate that it has successfully completed at least **two (2)** contracts of similar goods in the past **ten (10)** years.

4. Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" *July 2016, revised November 2017, July 2018 and November 2020* ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations. In addition, please refer to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
5. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the Procurement Specialist, Project Implementation Unit, Ministry of Public Service - kurlin.stomer@govt.lc during office hours 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m from Monday to Friday from **October 11, 2021**.
6. A complete set of bidding documents in English may be obtained by interested eligible bidders through the electronic-procurement system (*Government of Saint Lucia Electronic Government Procurement (e-GP) System – Suppliers Portal*) via the link <http://goslprocurement.govt.lc>. The e-GP System enables the management of the following aspects of the Bidding process:
 - *Issuance of bidding documents*
 - *Submissions of Bids*
 - *Communication for tender queries*
 - *Opening of Bids*
 - *Award of Contract*
7. A Pre-Bid meeting shall take place on **October 27, 2021** at **10:00 a.m.** via video conferencing (Zoom or similar). The link to the online meeting will be provided to Bidders.

8. Bids must be submitted electronically through the e-GP on or before **November 10, 2021** no later than **09:30 a.m.** However Bidders have the option of submitting Bids physically to the address below (*) on or before November 10, 2021 no later than 09:30 a.m.
9. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened on November 10, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. (1000 hours). Confirmed receipt of Bids will be provided by system generated email.
10. Bidders may witness the bid opening via video conferencing (Zoom or similar). The link to the online meeting will be provided to Bidders.
11. All bids must be accompanied by a *Bid-Securing Declaration*.
12. The address(es) referred to above (are):

*The Secretary (**Submission of Bids**)
Central Tenders Board
Department of Finance
2nd Floor Finance Administrative Centre
Point Seraphine
Castries, Saint Lucia