

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR DEVELOPING THE SOMALI CUSTOMS AUTOMATED ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM

Clarification Questions log

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1	<p>To Whom it May Concern,</p> <p>X has come across the above-mentioned Expression of interest. X is a company based in the United Arab Emirates. We have a strong presence in Africa, proving National Single Window solutions and Customs transaction processing systems. X have a Customs system that has been implemented in some countries in Africa. We would be very much interested in providing this service to the Federal Republic of Somalia. However, we do not have a partner in Somalia and neither do we have any legal presence in Somalia.</p> <p>Listed below are some requirements that we have noted in the call for Expression of Interest which would automatically disqualify us:</p> <p>SECTION 5 (Bullet 2):</p> <p>Information of ownership structure (limited to two pages) detailing company registration in Somalia and/or clear association/partnership with a Somalia-based entity.</p> <p><i>Please note that the ability to show substantial presence and operational capability in Somalia will be a major consideration in the scoring of the subsequent RFPs, as such organizations are encouraged to highlight their ability to meet this criterion in the EOI stage.</i></p> <p>SECTION 5.1 Bullet (Mandatory):</p> <p>that cannot obtain Tax Clearance Certificate from the Somali Authorities.</p> <p>SECTION 5.1 Bullet from Bullet 9-12:</p> <p>certificate that there are no open bankruptcy proceedings by a competent authority in the country where the economic operator is <u>registered in Somalia</u>;</p> <p>certificate that there are no open liquidation proceedings by a competent authority in the country where the economic operator is <u>registered in Somalia</u>;</p> <p>certificate for paid taxes, contributions and other public charges by a <u>competent authority in Somalia</u>;</p> <p>certificate that he was not pronounced a misdemeanor sanction - a prohibition for performing profession, activity or duty, that is, temporary prohibition for performing certain activity - <u>with a legally effective court decision in Somalia</u>;</p> <p>SECTION 6.2 Last Bullet:</p> <p>The preferred bidder <u>must have a presence and a legal status</u> in the Federal Republic of Somalia either directly or through their consortium.</p> <p>With the foregoing, X would not be eligible to participate in this tender process.</p> <p>We therefore seek your clarification if these are optional requirements or mandatory as some of them appear to be.</p>	<p>Thank you very much for your comments.</p> <p>As highlighted in the EOI, the ability to show substantial presence and operational capability in Somalia will be a major consideration in the scoring of the subsequent RFP, as such organizations are encouraged to highlight their ability to meet this criterion in the EOI stage.</p> <p>The final requirements regarding legal presence in Somalia and proof of such, will be laid out in the RFP.</p>
2	<p>We are an ICT company Incorporated and based in Nairobi, Kenya. We have more than 17 yrs experience in customized software development, ICT consultancy and implementations for a wide horizon of industries, including government departments, energy, security, insurance, financial institutions and even individuals.</p> <p>In order to satisfy our varied clients worldwide, we also forge partnerships with specialized vendors to deliver a 100% working solutions to all our clients.</p>	<p>Thank you very much for your comments.</p> <p>1 - The focus of this tender will be initially on the Customs Department of the Federal Government of Somalia, based in</p>

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	<p>We have looked at the EOI document above and wish to submit the following questions/clarifications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. This seems to be a master plan project for the government of Somalia in terms of revenue collections from various ports. We believe that you want to get quality responses to select from. We therefore request you to extend the clarification and submission deadlines by at least 3weeks. This will not only enable u to get a good number of proposals but quality responses as well to select from.</li> <li>2. There are a number of statutory documentations required with the expression of interest eg tax compliance from Somalia government. Since the deadline is a bit tight, it pushes many professional vendors like us away with big question of whether the project was moulded for a specific supplier, who has the documents ready. Please allow us more time to forge existence partnership both with experts in the industry and also within Somalia.</li> </ol>	<p>Mogadishu. The expansion of the system to the other Ports of Somalia may/may not be taken at later date.</p> <p>2- As highlighted in the EOI, the ability to show substantial presence and operational capability in Somalia will be a major consideration in the scoring of the subsequent RFP, as such organizations are encouraged to highlight their ability to meet this criterion in the EOI stage.</p> <p>The final requirements regarding legal presence in Somalia and proof of such, will be laid out in the RFP.</p> <p>An extension to the deadline is not foreseen at this stage.</p>
3	<p>Kindly clarify on what is required when sending the EOI. Should we include the company profile, or just a letter?. Kindly clarify on what is required when sending the EOI.</p>	<p>Please visit this site for the full information regarding what should be included in the EOI:</p> <p><a href="http://mof.gov.so/publication/expression-interest-developing-somali-customs-automated-administration-system">http://mof.gov.so/publication/expression-interest-developing-somali-customs-automated-administration-system</a></p>