Specific Procurement Notice

Request for Bids

Goods

***Country:*** *Georgia*

***Name of Project:*** *Georgia I2Q - Innovation, Inclusion and Quality*

***Contract Title: Check Point Security System Renewal and Software Licensing***

***Loan No.*** *8955-GE*

***RFB Reference No.: GE-MESCS-207183-GO-RFB/ DEP200000117***

1. The Georgia has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the **Georgia I2Q - Innovation, Inclusion and Quality Project** under **The Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia (MoESCS)**, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for **“*Check Point Security System Renewal and Software Licensing*”**.

2. **Education Management Information System (EMIS) of Georgia is renewing its products of network security for existing Check Point 44000 Security System.** **The MoESCS** now invites eligible Bidders to provide ***Check Point Security System Renewal and Software Licensing (including 3-year Check Point’s official direct support and subscription services)*** for EMIS.**Delivery time of goods is 2 weeks from the date of Contract Signature. Delivery destination is LEPL Education Management Information System (EMIS), Tbilisi, Georgia.**

3. Bidding will be conducted through *national* competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers, July 2016 revised August 2018” (“Procurement Regulations”), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.

4. Bidders shall submit their bids ONLY electronically through Georgian E-Government Procurement System: <https://tenders.procurement.gov.ge/login.php?lang=en>

1. Bid opening will take place electronically using Georgian E-Government Procurement System with certain modifications. Major modifications to the Georgian E-Procurement System are:
* Functionality of the three rounds of e-Reverse auction is removed. Rounds will not be applicable.
* The estimated cost of the contract is disclosed in the e-Procurement system and bidders can submit a bid price, which could be below or above the estimated cost, however pricing the bid is the responsibility of the bidder which shall be based on the current market prices and any other factors which may influence the pricing of the proposed works.

**6. The Bidders shall obtain the Tender Documentation on the following link: https://tenders.procurement.gov.ge/public/?go=381635&lang=ge**

7. Instruction for registration on the E-Procurement System can be found on the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hQak4jPorj4&feature=youtu.be>

8. Instruction for bidding on the E-Procurement System can be found on the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9O3W8_WiDgg&feature=youtu.be>

9. The respective Manuals can be found on the following link: <http://procurement.gov.ge/ELibrary/Manuals.aspx?lang=en-US>

10. Requests for clarification should be submitted through the Georgian E-Government Procurement System.

11. In case bidders fail to indicate the Bid Price in dedicated field of Georgian E-Government Procurement System, the bid will be rejected.

If there is discrepancy between the Georgian E-Government Procurement System read out price and bid price mentioned in the uploaded bid document, then the bid price mentioned in the uploaded bid will prevail. The bid price mentioned in the letter of bid and price schedules in the uploaded bid will be evaluated as per the provisions mentioned in the bidding document.

12. The minimum qualification criteria for Bidders to participate in the tender are:

 (a) If the Bidder is a manufacturer:

(i) Financial Capability

The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence that it meets the following financial requirement(s): **The Bidder shall have a minimum average annual turnover of 500,000 US Dollars or equivalent during past three years (2017-2018-2019).**

(ii) Experience and Technical Capacity

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

* The Bidder shall demonstrate that it has completed supplies of **at least 2 (two) similar contracts successfully completed for provision of the Check Point Cyber Security System or its Renewal and/or its Software Licensing (of the same manufacture)** during last 3 years and such goods have been in successful use at least for past year (copies of the contracts with beneficiaries and respective Completion Certificates / Acceptance Acts on successful completion of contracts are mandatory);
* **The products offered under this Request for Bids must have a 3-year manufacturer's (Check Point) official direct support and subscription services;**
* **At least 2 employees in Georgia who are certified expert engineers (CCSE) of manufacturers products shall be offered for this Request for Bids.**

 (iii) Documentary Evidence

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

(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** **from Check Point** (Section IV, Bidding Forms), the **Bidder** shall demonstrate:

* The above qualifications **(i), (ii), (iii);**
* The supplier company should be **the official partner of the manufacturer (Check Point) and must have Appliance Support specialization.**

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