IB 2023-07 – PROCUREMENT OF VARIOUS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) SUPPLIES AND SEMI-EXPENDABLE EQUIPMENT



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1. Scope of Bid
The Procuring Entity, BENGUET STATE UNIVERSITY (BSU) wishes to receive Bids for the PROCUREMENT OF VARIOUS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) SUPPLIES AND SEMI-EXPENDABLE EQUIPMENT with identification number 2023-07.
[Note: The Project Identification Number is assigned by the Procuring Entity based on its own coding scheme and is not the same as the PhilGEPS reference number, which is generated after the posting of the bid opportunity on the PhilGEPS website.]
The Procurement Project (referred to herein as "Project") is composed 2 lots, the details of which are described in Section VII (Technical Specifications).
2. Funding Information
 2.1. The GOP through the source of funding as indicated below for 2022-CHED in the amount of Two Million One Hundred Sixty-six Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty-eight and Eighty-five Centavos 2.2. The source of funding is: 2023-NEP 3. Bidding Requirements
The Bidding for the Project shall be governed by all the provisions of RA No. 9184 and its 2016 revised IRR, including its Generic Procurement Manuals and associated policies, rules and regulations as the primary source thereof, while the herein clauses shall serve as the secondary source thereof.
Any amendments made to the IRR and other GPPB issuances shall be applicable only to the ongoing posting, advertisement, or IB by the BAC through the issuance of a supplemental or bid bulletin.
A. The Bidder, by the act of submitting its Bid, shall be deemed to have verified and accepted the general requirements of this Project, including other factors that may affect the cost, duration and execution or implementation of the contract, project, or work and examine all instructions, forms, terms, and project requirements in the Bidding Documents.
4. Corrupt, Fraudulent, Collusive, and Coercive Practices
 The Procuring Entity, as well as the Bidders and Suppliers, shall observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement and execution of the contract. They or through an agent shall not engage in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, coercive, and obstructive practices defined under Annex "I" of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184 or other integrity violations in competing for the Project. 5. Eligible Bidders
5.1. Only Bids of Bidders found to be legally, technically,
and financially capable will be evaluated.

5.2. [Select one, delete other/s]	
a. Foreign ownership exceeding those allowed under the rules may participate pursuant to:	
 When a Treaty or International or Executive Agreement as provided in Section 4 of the RA No. 9184 and its 2016 revised IRR allow foreign bidders to participate; 	
 Citizens, corporations, or associations of a country, included in the list issued by the GPPB, the laws or regulations of which grant reciprocal rights or privileges to citizens, corporations, or associations of the Philippines; 	
iii. When the Goods sought to be procured are not available from local suppliers; or	
iv. When there is a need to prevent situations that defeat competition or restrain trade.	
 b. Foreign ownership limited to those allowed under the rules may participate in this Project. 	5.3. For this purpose, contracts similar to the Project shall be:
5.3. Pursuant to Section 23.4.1.3 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No.9184, the Bidder shall have an SLCC that is at least one (1) contract similar to the Project the value of which, adjusted to current prices using the PSA's CPI, must be at least equivalent to:	a. Supply and Delivery of Various IT Supplies and Semi- expendable Equipment b. Completed within five (5) years from the submission of bids.
[Select one, delete the other/s]	
 For the procurement of Expendable Supplies: The Bidder must have completed a single contract that is similar to this Project, equivalent to at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the ABC. 	
5.4. The Bidders shall comply with the eligibility criteria under Section 23.4.1 of the 2016 IRR of RA No. 9184.	
6. Origin of Goods	
There is no restriction on the origin of goods other than those prohibited by a decision of the UN Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the UN, subject to Domestic Preference requirements under ITB Clause 18.	
7. Subcontracts	7.1 Subcontracting is not allowed.
7.1. The Bidder may subcontract portions of the Project to the extent allowed by the Procuring Entity as stated herein, but in no case more than twenty percent (20%) of the Project.	
The Procuring Entity has prescribed that:	
a. Subcontracting is allowed. The portions of Project and the maximum percentage allowed to be subcontracted are indicated in the BDS , which shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of the contracted Goods.	

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- b. Subcontracting is not allowed.
- 7.2. [If Procuring Entity has determined that subcontracting is allowed during the bidding, state:] The Bidder must submit together with its Bid the documentary requirements of the subcontractor(s) complying with the eligibility criteria stated in **ITB** Clause 5 in accordance with Section 23.4 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184 pursuant to Section 23.1 thereof.
- 7.3. [If subcontracting is allowed during the contract implementation stage, state:] The Supplier may identify its subcontractor during the contract implementation stage. Subcontractors identified during the bidding may be changed during the implementation of this Contract. Subcontractors must submit the documentary requirements under Section 23.1 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184 and comply with the eligibility criteria specified in **ITB** Clause 5 to the implementing or end-user unit.
- 7.4. Subcontracting of any portion of the Project does not relieve the Supplier of any liability or obligation under the Contract. The Supplier will be responsible for the acts, defaults, and negligence of any subcontractor, its agents, servants, or workmen as fully as if these were the Supplier's own acts, defaults, or negligence, or those of its agents, servants, or workmen.

8. Pre-Bid Conference

The Procuring Entity will hold a pre-bid conference for this Project on the specified date and time and either at its physical address and/or through videoconferencing/webcasting as indicated in the Invitation to Bid **(IB).**

9. Clarification and Amendment of Bidding Documents

Prospective bidders may request for clarification on and/or interpretation of any part of the Bidding Documents. Such requests must be in writing and received by the Procuring Entity, either at its given address or through electronic mail indicated in the **IB**, at least ten (10) calendar days before the deadline set for the submission and receipt of Bids.

10. Documents comprising the Bid: Eligibility and Technical Components

- 10.1. The first envelope shall contain the eligibility and technical documents of the Bid as specified in Section VIII (Checklist of Technical and Financial Documents).
- 10.2. The Bidder's SLCC as indicated in **ITB** Clause 5.3 should have been completed within *five (5) years as provided in paragraph 2 of the IB*] prior to the deadline for the submission and receipt of bids.
- 10.3. If the eligibility requirements or statements, the bids, and all other documents for submission to the BAC are in foreign language other than English, it must be

8. Pre-bid Conference for this project is on <u>November 25,</u> 2022, 2:00 PM (PST), BSU RDC Hall, 2nd Floor, Admin. Bldg., BSU La Trinidad, Benguet; and/or through video conferencing via google meet with the link: meet.google.com/iih-nrds-cpo

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accompanied by a translation in English, which shall	
be authenticated by the appropriate Philippine	
foreign service establishment, post, or the equivalent	
office having jurisdiction over the foreign bidder's	
affairs in the Philippines. Similar to the required	
authentication above, for Contracting Parties to the	
Apostille Convention, only the translated documents	
shall be authenticated through an apostille pursuant	
to GPPB Resolution No. 13-2019 dated 23 May 2019.	
The English translation shall govern, for purposes of	
interpretation of the bid.	
	11. The contents of the First Envelope (Envelope A) are the
11. Documents comprising the Bid: Financial Component	Eligibility Documents which includes the following:
11.1. The second bid envelope shall contain the financial	I ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
documents for the Bid as specified in Section VIII	
(Checklist of Technical and Financial Documents).	A. LEGAL DOCUMENTS
(Checklist of Technical and Financial Documents).	1. Valid PhilGeps Registration - Platinum
11.2. If the Bidder claims preference as a Domestic Bidder	Membership- all pages; in accordance with Section 8.5.2 of
or Domestic Entity, a certification issued by DTI shall	the IRR
be provided by the Bidder in accordance with Section	B. TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS
43.1.3 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184.	2. Statement of the prospective bidder of all ongoing
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11.2 Any hid exceeding the APC indicated in paragraph 2	
11.3. Any bid exceeding the ABC indicated in paragraph 2	awarded but not yet awarded, if any, whether similar or not
of the IB shall not be accepted.	similar in nature and complexity to the contract to be bid; and
11.4. For Foreign-funded Procurement, a ceiling may be	3. Statement of the bidder's Single Largest
applied to bid prices provided the conditions are met	Completed Contract (SLCC) similar to the contract to be bid,
under Section 31.2 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No.	except under conditions provided for in Sections 23.4.1.3 and
9184.	23.4.2.4 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA 9184, within the
5104.	relevant period as provided; and
11.5. <i>Financial</i> proposals for single or multi-year	4. Original copy of Bid Security
Framework Agreement shall be submitted before the	4.1. If in the form of a Surety Bond, submit also a
deadline of submission of bids as prescribed in the IB .	certification issued by the Insurance Commission; or
For multi-year Framework Agreement, evaluation of	4.2. Original copy of Notarized Bid Securing
the financial proposal during this stage is for purposes	Declaration; or
of determining eligibility and whether or not such	4.3. Cash
financial proposal is within the ABC.	5. Conformity with the Technical Specifications; and
infancial proposaris within the Abc.	3. comornity with the reclinical specifications, and
	5.1 Schedule of Requirements, with delivery
	schedule; and
	5.2. Manpower Requirements; and
	5.3. Aftersales warranty; and
	6. Original duly signed Omnibus Sworn Statement
	(OSS); and
	6.1. If applicable, Original notarized Secretary's
	Certificate in case of a corporation, partnership, or
	cooperative; or Original Special Power of Attorney of all
	members of the joint venture giving full power and authority
	to tis officer to sign the OSS and do acts to represent the
	Bidder.
	C. FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS
	7. Computation of Net Financial Contracting Capacity
	(NFCC); or Committed Line of Credit from a Universal or
	Commercial Bank in lieu of its NFCC computation
	8. If applicable, a duly signed Joint Venture
	Agreement (JVA) in case the joint venture is already in
	existence, or duly notarized statements from all the potential
	joint venture partners stating that they will enter into and
	abide by the provisions of the JVA in the instance that the bid
	is successful
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	 Original of duly signed and accomplished Financial Bid Form, and Original of duly signed and accomplished Price Original of duly signed and accomplished Price Schedule (s), and Detailed Descriptions/ Brochures of the items Offered, and
12. Bid Prices12.1. Prices indicated on the Price Schedule shall be entered separately in the following manner:	12. The price of the Goods shall be quoted DDP at Benguet State University, Km. 5, La Trinidad, Benguet or the applicable International Commercial Terms (INCOTERMS) for this project.
a. For Goods offered from within the Procuring Entity's country:	
 The price of the Goods quoted EXW (ex-works, ex- factory, ex-warehouse, ex-showroom, or off-the- shelf, as applicable); 	
ii. The cost of all customs duties and sales and other taxes already paid or payable;	
iii. The cost of transportation, insurance, and other costs incidental to delivery of the Goods to their final destination; and	
iv. The price of other (incidental) services, if any, listed in e.	
b. For Goods offered from abroad:	
i. Unless otherwise stated in the BDS , the price of the Goods shall be quoted delivered duty paid (DDP) with the place of destination in the Philippines as specified in the BDS . In quoting the price, the Bidder shall be free to use transportation through carriers registered in any eligible country. Similarly, the Bidder may obtain insurance services from any eligible source country.	
ii. The price of other (incidental) services, if any, as listed in Section VII (Technical Specifications).	
12.2. [Include if Framework Agreement will be used:] For Framework Agreement, the following should also apply in addition to Clause 12.1:	
a. For a single year Framework Agreement, the prices quoted by the Bidder shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of the contract and not subject to variation or escalation on any account. Price schedules required under Clause 12.1 shall be submitted with the bidding documents.	
b. For a multi-year Framework Agreement, the prices quoted by the Bidder during submission of eligibility documents shall be the ceiling and the price quoted	

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during mini-competition must not exceed the initial price offer. The price quoted during call for minicompetition shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of that Call-off and not subject to variation or escalation on any account. Price schedules required under Clause 12.1 shall be submitted with the bidding documents.

13. Bid and Payment Currencies

13.1. For Goods that the Bidder will supply from outside the Philippines, the bid prices may be quoted in the local currency or tradeable currency accepted by the BSP at the discretion of the Bidder. However, for purposes of bid evaluation, Bids denominated in foreign currencies, shall be converted to Philippine currency based on the exchange rate as published in the BSP reference rate bulletin on the day of the bid opening.

13.2. Payment of the contract price shall be made in:

a. Philippine Pesos

14. Bid Security

- 14.1. The Bidder shall submit a Bid Securing Declaration¹ or any form of Bid Security in the amount indicated in the **BDS**, which shall be not less than the percentage of the ABC in accordance with the schedule in the **BDS**.
- 14.2. The Bid and bid security shall be valid until *[indicate date]*. Any Bid not accompanied by an acceptable bid security shall be rejected by the Procuring Entity as non-responsive.
- 14.3. [Include if Framework Agreement will be used:] In the case of Framework Agreement, other than the grounds for forfeiture under the 2016 revised IRR, the bid security may also be forfeited if the successful bidder fails to sign the Framework Agreement, or fails to furnish the performance security or performance securing declaration. Without prejudice on its forfeiture, bid securities shall be returned only after the posting of performance security or performance securing declaration, as the case may be, by the winning Bidder or compliant Bidders and the signing of the Framework Agreement.

15. Sealing and Marking of Bids

Each Bidder shall submit one copy of the first and second components of its Bid.

The Procuring Entity may request additional hard copies and/or electronic copies of the Bid. However, failure of the Bidders to comply with the said request 14.1. Bid Security – shall be in any of the following forms and amount:

a. Bid Securing Declaration; or

- b. The amount of not less than 2% of ABC, if bid security is in cash, cashier's / Manager's check, bank draft/guarantee or irrevocable of credit; or
- c. The amount of not less than 5% if bid security is in Surety Bond

15. Each Bidder shall submit one (1) original copy of their bid proposal and one (1) certified photocopy, marked as "original", and "copy 1", respectively.

***In preparing the bid, the original copy and copy 1 of bid shall be signed by the bidder or its duly authorized representative over printed name and indicating the position in the company.

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¹ In the case of Framework Agreement, the undertaking shall refer to entering into contract with the Procuring Entity and furnishing of the performance security or the performance securing declaration within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of Notice to Execute Framework Agreement.

shall not be a ground for disqualification.

If the Procuring Entity allows the submission of bids through online submission or any other electronic means, the Bidder shall submit an electronic copy of its Bid, which must be digitally signed. An electronic copy that cannot be opened or is corrupted shall be considered non-responsive and, thus, automatically disgualified.

16. Deadline for Submission of Bids

- 16.1. The Bidders shall submit on the specified date and time and either at its physical address or through online submission as indicated in Invitation to Bid.
- 16.2. [Include if Framework Agreement will be used:] For multi-year Framework Agreement, the submission of bids shall be for the initial evaluation of their technical and financial eligibility. Thereafter, those declared eligible during the said initial eligibility evaluation and entered into a Framework Agreement with the Procuring Entity shall submit anew their best financial offer at the address and on or before the date and time indicated in the Call for each mini-competition.

17. Opening and Preliminary Examination of Bids

17.1. The BAC shall open the Bids in public at the time, on the date, and at the place specified in the **Invitation to Bid (IB)**. The Bidders' representatives who are present shall sign a register evidencing their attendance. In case videoconferencing, webcasting or other similar technologies will be used, attendance of participants shall likewise be recorded by the BAC Secretariat.

> In case the Bids cannot be opened as scheduled due to justifiable reasons, the rescheduling requirements under Section 29 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184 shall prevail.

17.2. The preliminary examination of bids shall be governed by Section 30 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184.

18. Domestic Preference

- 18.1. The Procuring Entity will grant a margin of preference for the purpose of comparison of Bids in accordance with Section 43.1.2 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184.
- 18.2. [Include if Framework Agreement will be used:] For multi-year Framework Agreement, determination of margin of preference shall be conducted every call for Mini-Competition.

19. Detailed Evaluation and Comparison of Bids

19.1. The Procuring BAC shall immediately conduct a detailed evaluation of all Bids rated "passed," using non-discretionary pass/fail criteria. The BAC shall

17.1. Opening of bids for this Project is on **December 7, 2022** at 10:01 AM (PST) at the BSU RDC Hall 2nd floor Admin Bldg. BSU, La Trinidad, Benguet; and through video conferencing via google meet: <u>meet.google.com/iih-nrds-cpo</u>

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consider the conditions in the evaluation of Bids under Section 32.2 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184.

[Include the following options if Framework Agreement will be used:]

- a. In the case of single-year Framework Agreement, the Lowest Calculated Bid shall be determined outright after the detailed evaluation;
- b. For multi-year Framework Agreement, the determination of the eligibility and the compliance of bidders with the technical and financial aspects of the projects shall be initially made by the BAC, in accordance with Item 7.4.2 of the Guidelines on the Use of Framework Agreement.
- 19.2. If the Project allows partial bids, bidders may submit a proposal on any of the lots or items, and evaluation will be undertaken on a per lot or item basis, as the case maybe. In this case, the Bid Security as required by **ITB** Clause 15 shall be submitted for each lot or item separately.
- 19.3. The descriptions of the lots or items shall be indicated in **Section VII (Technical Specifications)**, although the ABCs of these lots or items are indicated in the **BDS** for purposes of the NFCC computation pursuant to Section 23.4.2.6 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184. The NFCC must be sufficient for the total of the ABCs for all the lots or items participated in by the prospective Bidder.
- 19.4. The Project shall be awarded as follows:

Option 1 – One Project having several items that shall be awarded as one contract.

Option 2 – One Project having several items grouped into several lots, which shall be awarded as separate contracts per lot.

Option 3 - One Project having several items, which shall be awarded as separate contracts per item.

Except for bidders submitting a committed Line of Credit from a Universal or Commercial Bank in lieu of its NFCC computation, all Bids must include the NFCC computation pursuant to Section 23.4.1.4 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184, which must be sufficient for the total of the ABCs for all the lots or items participated in by the prospective Bidder. For bidders submitting the committed Line of Credit, it must be at least equal to ten percent (10%) of the ABCs for all the lots or items participated in by the prospective Bidder.

20. Post-Qualification

20.1. [Include if Framework Agreement will be used:] For multi-year Framework Agreement, all bidders initially determined to be eligible and financially compliant shall be subject to initial post-qualification. The BAC 19.3. List of Items to be bid:
Sublot 1: Supply and Delivery of IT Supplies
Sublot 2: Supply and Delivery of Semi-expendable IT
Equipment

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 shall then recommend the execution of a Framework Agreement among all eligible, technically and financially compliant bidders and the Procuring Entity and shall be issued by HoPE a Notice to Execute Framework Agreement. The determination of the Lowest Calculated Bid (LCB) shall not be performed by the BAC until a Mini-Competition is conducted among the bidders who executed a Framework Agreement. When a Call for Mini-Competition is made, the BAC shall allow the bidders to submit their best financial proposals on such pre-scheduled date, time and place to determine the bidder with the LCB. 20.2. Within a non-extendible period of five (5) calendar days from receipt by the Bidder of the notice from the BAC that it submitted the Lowest Calculated Bid, {[Include if Framework Agreement will be used:] or in the case of multi-year Framework Agreement, that it is one of the eligible bidders who have submitted bids that are found to be technically and financially compliant,}the Bidder shall submit its latest income and business tax returns filed and paid through the BIR Electronic Filing and Payment System (eFPS) and other appropriate licenses and permits required by law and stated in the BDS. {[Include if Framework Agreement will be used:] For every mini-competition in Framework Agreement, the LCB shall likewise submit the required documents for final Post Qualification.} 21. Signing of the Contract 	20.2. None 21.1. Required documents includes: Warranty Certificate
revised IRR of RA No. 9184 shall form part of the	21.1. Required documents includes. Warranty certificate
Contract. Additional Contract documents are indicated in the BDS .	
[Include the following clauses if Framework Agreement will be used:]	
21.2. At the same time as the Procuring Entity notifies the successful Bidder that its bid has been accepted, the Procuring Entity shall send the Framework Agreement Form to the Bidder, which contract has been provided in the Bidding Documents, incorporating therein all agreements between the parties.	
21.3. Within ten (10) calendar days from receipt of the Notice to Execute Framework Agreement with the Procuring Entity, the successful Bidder or its duly authorized representative shall formally enter into a Framework Agreement with the procuring entity for an amount of One Peso to be paid to the procuring entity as a consideration for the option granted by the procuring entity to procure the items in the Framework Agreement List when the need arises.	
21.4. The Procuring Entity shall enter into a Framework Agreement with the successful Bidder within the same ten (10) calendar day period provided that all the documentary requirements are complied with.	
21.5. The following documents shall form part of the Framework Agreement:	

a.	Framework Agreement Form;
b.	Bidding Documents;
с.	Call-offs;
d.	Winning bidder's bid, including the Technical and
	Financial Proposals, and all other
	documents/statements submitted (e.g., bidder's
	response to request for clarifications on the bid),
	including corrections to the bid, if any, resulting
	from the Procuring Entity's bid evaluation;
e.	Performance Security or Performance Securing
	Declaration, as the case may be;
f.	Notice to Execute Framework Agreement; and
g.	Other contract documents that may be required
	by existing laws and/or specified in the BDS .