## **Invitation for Bids (IFB)**

## EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY (EAC) SECRETARIAT

EAC Payment and Settlement Systems Integration Project (EAC-PSSIP)

## SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF NETWORK UPGRADE FOR THE NATIONAL BANK OF RWANDA (BNR)

IFB Number: EAC/PSSIP/ICB/2014/07 ADF Grant Number: 2100155023918

- 1. This Invitation for Bids (IFB) follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this Project that appeared in *United Nations Development Business online* (*UNDB online*) No. **AfDB206-03/14** of 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2014, and on the African Development Bank's Internet Website (<a href="www.afdb.org">www.afdb.org</a>) and East African Community (EAC) website (<a href="www.aec.int">www.aec.int</a>).
- The East African Community (EAC) has received financing from the African Development Bank (ADF) toward the cost of EAC Payment and Settlement Systems Integration Project (EAC-PSSIP), and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this financing to payments under the agreement(s) resulting from this IFB No.: EAC/PSSIP/ICB/2014/07.
- 2. The EAC Secretariat serves as the executing agency for the project and now invites sealed bids from eligible Bidders for the Supply, Installation and Implementation of Network Upgrade for the National Bank of Rwanda (BNR), including the key information technologies, equipment, and related services to be procured (e.g., purchasing, installation, integration, training, technical support).
- 4. Bidding will be conducted using the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in the African Development Bank's *Rules and Procedures for Procurement of Goods and Works (May 2008 Edition, Revised July 2012)*, and is open to all Bidders eligible as defined in these Rules and Procedures.
- 5. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the East African Community Secretariat and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below from 8:00 to 5:00 office hours East African time. A pre-bid meeting will not be held.
- 6. A complete set of bidding documents in *English* may be purchased by interested Bidders on submission of a written application to the address below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **100 USD** or its equivalent in any freely convertible currency. The method of payment will be direct deposit or Telegraphic transfer (TT) to the following banks accounts:

Account name: EAC-PSSIP Account number: 3300848679

Bank details: KCB Bank Tanzania Limited

SWIFT: KCBLTZTZ Branch Code: 4605

The document will be sent by Express Mail or collected at the address below.

- 7. The provisions in the Instructions to Bidders and in the General Conditions of Contract are the provisions of the African Development Bank Standard Bidding Document: Procurement of Goods or Procurement of Works.
- 8. Bids must be delivered to the address below at or before 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2015 at 1100hrs Arusha local time. Bids need to be secured by a Bid Security. The amount of Bid Security required is 15,000 USD. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the address below on 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2015 at 1100hrs Arusha local time.

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