

Invitation for Bids

National Competitive Bidding Procedures

Jamaica: Foundations for Competitiveness and Growth Project | Loan No: 9203-JM

Contract Title: Supply and Installation of Hyperconverge Infrastructure to Support ICT Projects

Reference No. (as per Procurement Plan): FCG/AF/SUP/01

Date of Issue: September 16, 2022

1. The Planning Institute of Jamaica has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Foundations for Competitiveness and Growth Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for **Supply and Installation of Hyperconverge Infrastructure to Support ICT Projects**
2. **The Planning Institute of Jamaica** now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the Supply and Installation of Hyperconverge Infrastructure to Support ICT Projects, as follows:

| Description of Goods | Quantity | Final Destination | Delivery Period |
|------------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| Hyperconverge Infrastructure | 5 (nodes) | eGov Jamaica Limited 235b Old Hope Road, Kingston 6, Jamaica | 90 to 180 days from contract effectiveness |

3. Bidding will be conducted in accordance with **e-GP procedures as further defined in the e-GP System: Quick Guide for Suppliers**. This is an online managed tender, and tender documents and supplier bids will be made available and accepted via the electronic Government Procurement Portal (www.gojep.gov.jm). **No hard copy bid will be accepted and there will be no physical tender box for drop-off of bids.**
4. To participate in this tender opportunity, suppliers must first be registered and know how to use the electronic Procurement System, www.gojep.gov.jm. Please self- register on the e-GP System, by selecting the Register as a supplier link from the home page. **Suppliers are encouraged to upload their bids at least two (2) hours prior to the deadline for bid submission.**
5. For assistance and training please contact the GOJEP support desk at 1-876-932-5220 or 1-876-806-5149 or 1-876-806-4581; or 1-876-806-4536 or via email at oppccustomercare@mof.gov.jm.
6. **The Bidding documents can be accessed at:** <https://www.pioj.gov.jm/procurement/> and www.gojep.gov.jm
7. A pre-bid meeting will not be held.
8. Bidders are required to demonstrate that they have the following capabilities:

- a. Financial statements demonstrating a minimum average revenue of J\$30.0 million for 2020 and 2021
 - b. Valid Public Procurement Commission Certificate in the category of Computers, Computer Equipment, Parts & Supplies
9. Bidders must possess a valid Tax Compliance Certificate and must be registered with the Public Procurement Commission in order to participate¹.
10. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the Planning Institute of Jamaica between 8:30am and 4:00pm Mondays to Fridays:
Mrs. Dellue Wint Dawkins
Planning Institute of Jamaica |16 Oxford Road, Kingston 5
Electronic mail address: dwint@pioj.gov.jm with copy to kmelliott@pioj.gov.jm and cswalker@pioj.gov.jm
11. All bids must be accompanied by a **Bid-Securing Declaration**. The bid validity period shall be **120 days** after bid closing.
12. Bids shall be submitted electronically at www.gojep.gov.jm (e-GP procedures are defined in the e-GP System: Quick Guide for Suppliers) on or before **November 1, 2022 at 1:00pm**. Late bids will be rejected.
13. Bids will be opened on **November 1, 2022 at 2:30pm**. There will not be a public tender opening exercise as the system will forward the tender opening report to all bidders who submitted a bid. The Procuring Entity will update the system-generated report with additional relevant information.
14. Procuring Entity's Address: 16 Oxford Road, Kingston 5, Jamaica.

¹ For foreign bidders: the foreign contractor will be required to obtain a valid Tax Compliance Certificate and a valid PPC Registration Certificate before contract effectiveness.