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Project: Program to support the Health Sector to Contain and Control Coronavirus and to Mitigate its effects in Service Provision

Title: Procurement of a Public Health Digital Surveillance System - Stage 1

Borrower/Bid No: MOHW-PHDSS-09/2023

Invitation for Initial Selection

Information Systems

Design, Supply and Installation

Procurement of: Public Health Digital Surveillance System

International Competitive Bidding

Multistage Procurement

Stage 1

Preliminary Request for Proposals

Purchaser: The Government of the Bahamas

Project: BH-L1055 - Program to support the Health Sector to Contain and Control Coronavirus and to Mitigate its effects in Service Provision

Contract Title: Public Health Digital Surveillance System Loan No.: 5179/OC-BH

ISD No.: PHDSS242

Issued On: May 3, 2024

Introduction

The Ministry of Health and Wellness, Bahamas is interested in procuring a public health surveillance system (PHSS) as a pivotal infrastructure in the ongoing quest to monitor, evaluate, and safeguard population health. With its seamless integration into the broader digital health ecosystem, including electronic health records and telehealth platforms, the PHSS embodies a cornerstone of evidence-based decision-making and proactive public health management. It embodies a dedication to supporting a healthier, safer global community through the provision of actionable insights, fostering collaboration, and nurturing informed responses to the ever-evolving public health challenges.

Business Goals and Objectives

The Ministry of Health, Bahamas, is embarking on a crucial initiative to enhance its technological infrastructure through the procurement of a Digital Health Surveillance System. The Purchaser’s Business Objectives for the Information System:

1. An efficient and effective public health surveillance system (PHSS) that makes it easier to manage data, collect, analyse, and evaluate data providing intelligence about pending conditions and empowering the government and its stakeholder to respond optimally. Enhancing the

Bahamian PHSS is a critical step to positioning the system as a fully functioning Early Warning System (EWS) that can detect and inform the timely and effective intervention on public health issues due to climate change.

2. The surveillance system should be simple, flexible, acceptable, sensitive, predictive, representative, and timely.
3. The objective of the PHSS to be a resilient surveillance system focused on infectious disease depends on its ability to do the following:
 - a) Monitor environmental conditions.
 - b) Forecast high-risk conditions and initiate active surveillance.
 - c) Send alert and communication.
 - d) Establish a mechanism for early response.

The Commonwealth of The Bahamas has received a loan from the Inter-American Development Bank toward the cost of the Program to Support the Health Sector to Contain and Control Coronavirus and to Mitigate its Effects in Service Provision, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the Contract for the Public Health Digital Surveillance System. The Ministry of Health and Wellness now invites sealed proposals from eligible and qualified bidders.

1. This RFP follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that appeared in Development Business, issue no.: IDB-P852467-10/21
2. The RFP will be conducted through the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in the Inter-American Development Bank's Policies for the Procurement of Goods and Works financed by the Inter-American Development Bank GN-2349-15 approved by the Board of Executive Directors of the Bank on 2nd of July 2019 and effective 1st of January 2020, and is open to all bidders from Eligible Source Countries as defined in the bidding document.
3. Qualifications requirements include: (i) Eligibility (ii) Historical Contract Non-Performance (iii) Financial Situation (iv) Experience
4. Further information may be obtained from The Ministry of Health and Wellness (Designation) of the Project Execution Unit at - Ms Thea Ginton, Procurement Specialist of the Project Execution Unit at – email: theaginton@bahamas.gov.bs.
5. Your proposal must be submitted electronically to: <https://bahamas.bonfirehub.com> by June 3, 2024, at 10:00 am.

Note: Bidders are to follow the link below for a step-by-step guide to register as a standard vendor, browse the bidding portal for open projects, and view the requirements and documentation. All questions regarding this registration process are to be directed to Christopher Minnis at The Ministry of Finance at (242)-702-1555 (Office)/ 242 813-1750 (Cell). Then submit Bids to: <https://gobonfire.com/bonfire-standard-vendors>. Bidders are urged to commence bid upload at least three (3) hours prior to the submission time. The Government of The Bahamas will not be held liable for bids not submitted on time due to late commencement of tender upload. At the FIRST sign of any technical difficulties kindly contact the Public Portal Technical Support in the portal The Government of The Bahamas (bahamas.bonfirehub.com). Details on the technical requirements are in Appendix II.

6. A virtual Pre-bid meeting will be held on May 17, 2024, for which a link to participate in the meeting will be sent to bidders. Bidders should indicate their interest in attending the Pre-bid meeting by sending a request to Thea Ginton, Procurement Specialist at theaginton@bahamas.gov.bs by May 15, 2024.

For Clarification of Bid purposes only, the Purchaser's address is:

Attention: Thea Ginton, Procurement Specialist

Project Execution Unit

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Requests for clarification should be received by the Purchaser no later than fourteen (14) days prior to the deadline for submission of proposals through the Web page: bahamas.bonfirehub.com.

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