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Ministry of Environment

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Questions received with reference Announcement Number (IUL)438-
CCD/438/2020/186 dated 27th October 2020, Review and Amend Design of Green
Office Building to Attain BREEAM Certification (First Announcement)

Please find below answers for clarification for the above bid.

- 1. Due to the pandemic, DHL and other courier services are unable to ensure on time delivery and international firms cannot travel to the Maldives to submit the tender. Would it be possible for the Ministry of Environment to accept online submission for the tender? The hardcopies can be sent via courier post.**
Bids will only be accepted in hard copies brought in person or via courier, and must be received before the deadline. Bids sent via courier must clearly be marked "Do not open before [insert bid submission date and time]" as per the TOR.
- 2. For the tender submission, can international firms submit the scan copy of tender documents via an agent in the Maldives?**
Yes, tenders can be submitted via a registered entity in Maldives.
Registered entities under Maldives Inland Revenue Authority (MIRA) can apply for this consultancy.
Interested international consultancy who are not registered under MIRA may apply to this consultancy in association with local consultancy firms. Refer to section 12- Application of TOR.
- 3. Is it possible for the pre-bid meeting to be held online?**
Pre-bid meeting will not be held under the announcement. Refer to section 13 – Queries of TOR and section 14 – Submission of TOR.
- 4. Should the final quoted amount be inclusive of withholding tax (WHT)?**
All applicable tax must be included. Refer to Annex 1- Standard Forms – Form 2: Financial Breakdown.
Payments will be made in Maldivian Rufiyaa to a local account.



- 5. Are the hired consultants required to do any design / are all works design review?**
Review the existing design and make the design changes if required to achieve the BREEAM certification. Refer to clause 4 – Indicative Task – Point 1, 2, 5 and 6.
- 6. Will the hired consultant be required to obtain the BREEAM certification for the design?**
“Very Good” rating Interim (design) certification under BREEAM International New Construction 2016 is required to be obtained under the scope of works.
- 7. Will any equivalent certification such as LEED be entertained, since LEED Certification is practiced/followed globally in many countries?**
NO. BREEAM certification is also practiced/followed globally in many countries. BREEAM local weightings has been developed by Housing Development Cooperation with support from Building Research Establishment (BRE).
- 8. Please confirm if the project has to achieve BREEAM certification under – BREAAM International New Construction 2016**
“Very Good” rating Interim (design) certification under BREEAM International New Construction 2016 is required to be obtained under the scope of works.
- 9. BREEAM certification is awarded on completion of construction of the project. Please confirm if the consultant needs to be engaged throughout the construction of the project to document various credits. In that case, please confirm the duration of the assignment of 5 months.**
HDC: “Very Good” rating Interim (design) certification under BREEAM International New Construction 2016 is required to be obtained under the scope of works. Consultants services are not required for the construction process under this scope for works.
- 10. Please confirm if the Consultants fees is only applicable for consulting work or whether the certification fees also be included for the project which is paid to BRE.**
The consultant should include all cost that will occur for the BREEAM certification in the proposal including which are paid to BRE.
- 11. What is the current stage of the project and what is the overall project timeline?**
The design has been completed for the building.
The construction has not yet started. The timeline for this consultancy does not include the construction phase. The physical construction of the project is projected to be commenced mid 2021 and achieved by the end of 2022



- 12. Please clarify on the process of responding of the BREEAM submission review comments. The ToR does not specify whether it would be under the scope of the consultant.**

It is under the scope of consultant. Refer to clause 4: Indicative Task – Point 8.

- 13. Please clarify if there would be a separate report beyond the final report mentioned in No. 4 of the deliverables list and confirm if this this report would include review of the updated design following our recommendations in order to carry out the final BREEAM assessment, evidence gathering and submission.**

Yes. The report should include review of the updated design following recommendations in order to carry out the final BREEAM assessment, evidence gathering and submission.

- 14. Is there a bid security that is payable during the time of the bid submission and if so how much and what is the format for the bid security?**

Bid security is not taken for the announcement.

- 15. Is there a performance security and if so how much and what is the format for the performance security?**

Performance security is not taken for the announcement.

- 16. Do you require any design liability insurance and if for what are the conditions?**

Design liability insurance is not required

- 17. Does the consultant have to include the 3rd Party Fees, i.e. BRE application registration fees and BRE Reviewers fees etc.?**

The consultant should include all cost that will occur for the BREEAM certification in the proposal including which are paid to BRE.

- 18. Can the local consultant be the lead consultant even if this consultant does not have the all the required criteria provided the associated international consultant can fulfil the required criteria provided the local consultant has an association agreement with the international consultant? If acceptable, is there a format for the association letter?**

The proposal can be submitted in association with an international consultancy firm. The experts proposed by the bidder should meet the requirements set in section 8 of the TOR. Experts should be actively engaged during the assignment.

There is no specific format for association letter.



19. Is there any possibility of getting the floor plans and elevations and sections and some building specifications? If this information is available, consultants would be available to price the bid more accurately.

Yes, Attached in Annex 1

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