



SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)

Procurement Name: **Design and Construction of buildings to house the National Control Center (Main Center and Rescue Center)**

Project Name: Millennium Challenge Account-Benin II

Type of Notice: Invitation for Bids (IFB) - CB

General Information

Country: Benin

City/Locality: Cotonou

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Type of Procurement: Design build of works

Procurement Code: 71000000 Architectural Services, Construction Services, Engineering Services and Inspection Services
45000000 Construction works
45210000 Building construction work

Main Text:

1. The Millennium Challenge Corporation (“MCC”) and the Government of Benin (the “Government” or “GoB”) have entered into a Millennium Challenge Compact for Millennium Challenge Account assistance to help facilitate poverty reduction through economic growth in Benin (the “Compact”) in the amount of three hundred seventy-five million United States Dollars (375 000 000 USD), (“MCC Funding”). The Government, acting through Millennium Challenge Account-Benin II (the “MCA Entity”), intends to apply a portion of the MCC Funding to eligible payments under a contract for which the Request for Proposals is issued. Any payments made under the proposed contract will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the Compact and related documents, including restrictions on the use of MCC funding and conditions to the disbursements of MCC funding. No party other than the Government and the MCA-Benin II shall derive any rights from the Compact or have any claim to the proceeds of MCC Funding.
2. The Benin power program consists of four (4) projects: (i) Policy Reform and Institutional Strengthening Project; (ii) Electricity Generation Project; (iii) Electricity Distribution Project; and (iv) Off-grid Electricity Access Project. MCC’s assistance will be provided in a manner that responds to constraints to economic growth by aiming to improve the reliability and quality of power in Benin. The Compact Program will be executed over a period of five (5) years upon Entry into Force (EIF) of the Compact. The Power Compact of Benin entered into force on June 22, 2017.
3. This Invitation for Bids (IFB) follows the Compact General Procurement Notice N°1 that appeared in dgMarket on May 4, 2018, UNDB Online on May 7, 2018, the MCA Entity website www.mcabenin2.bj on May 4, 2018, and local newspaper “la Nation” on May 7 and 14, 2018 and “le Matinal” on May 7 and 11, 2018.
4. MCA-Benin II, acting on behalf of the Government of Benin, now invites Bidders to provide the best offer for works of **Design and Construction of buildings to house the National Control Center (Main Center and Rescue Center)**. More details on these works are provided in the Purchaser’s Requirements.
5. The Invitation for Bids (IFB) is open to all eligible entities (“Bidders”) who wish to respond.
6. The procurement comprises of:
 - **BASE**, representing the design and construction of the NDCC main building;
 - **OPTION 1**, representing the design and construction of the National Rescue Control Center (BUNDCC) building, a replica of the NDCC main building to provide a redundant hot standby control center;
 - **OPTION 2**, representing the design and construction of facilities (probably a football field and small structures) as a compensation measure for the people affected by the project;
 - **OPTION 3**, representing the conduct of Environmental and Social Impact Assessment, Health and Safety (ESIA) including public consultations and information (Akassato - option 3A, and Bohicon option 3B);
 - **OPTION 4**, representing the possible management of contaminated soils; and

- **OPTION 5**, representing modifications and small works in the substations to allow the RTUs to connect to the NDCC SCADA system.
7. A Bidder will be selected under the Competitive Bidding (CB) procedures as described in the sections of the Bidding Document accompanying this Invitation for Bids. Bidders are advised that these procedures are governed by MCC Program Procurement Guidelines (PPG”) which can be found on the MCC website: www.mcc.gov. Although these procedures are similar to those set out in the World Bank Standard Bidding Documents for Procurement of works, there are several significant differences and firms are advised to review these instructions carefully.
 8. The complete Bidding Document including the Letter of Invitation, the Purchaser’s Requirements and the drawings will be made available to the interested Bidders after registration, via electronic download from MCA-Benin II website. Additionally, following registration, the same complete set of Bidding Document on a CD may be obtained from the offices of the Millennium Challenge Account - Benin II, at the address specified below
 9. The Bidding Document includes the following Sections: **Section I : Instructions to Bidders:** This section provides information to help Bidders prepare their Bids and describes the procedures for the submission, opening, and evaluation of Bids and the award of Contracts ; **Section II : Bid Data Sheet:** This section sets out the particular requirements for the specific procurement and supplements the information included in Section I, Instructions to Bidders ; **Section III : Bid Review, Evaluation Criteria, and Bidder Qualification Requirements:** This section describes the criteria and requirements to determine the lowest evaluated responsive Bid and the qualifications of the Bidder to perform the Contract; **Section IV : Bidding Forms:** This section provides the forms which are to be completed by the Bidder and submitted as part of its Bid ; **Section V Employer’s Requirements:** This section contains the volumes of information that more fully describe the Works to be designed and constructed and includes the following sub-sections: *Schedule of Prices, Employer’s Requirements and Drawings*; **Section VI : General Conditions of Contract (“GCC”):** This section contains the form of Contract to be entered into by MCA Entities for the design and construction of Design-Build projects ; **Section VII : Particular Conditions of Contract (“PCC”):** This section contains particular conditions of contract that have been developed by MCC to supplement the GCC and that shall be used by MCA Entities in contracting for Design-Build . **Section VIII : Form of Notice of Intent to Award :** This section contains the form of Notice of Intent to Award that is intended to be used by the MCA Entity to notify the successful Bidder that the MCA Entity anticipates awarding the Contract to such Bidder upon the expiration of the period for timely filing of bid challenges and the resolution of any bid challenges that may be submitted; **Section IX Annex to the Particular Conditions - Contract Forms:** This section contains forms which, once completed, will be part of the Contract.
 10. Bidders interested in submitting a Bid should register their interest by sending an e-mail, giving full contact details of the Bidder, to the Procurement Agent through info-benin@charleskendall.com and must be copied to info@mcabenin2.bj. A link to download the full IFB dossier in PDF format will be communicated by e-mail.
 11. A Site Visit and a Pre-Bid meeting will be held as described in the Bid Data Sheet (“BDS”), Section II of the Bidding Document. Attendance is strongly advised for all interested Bidders or their representatives but not mandatory.

12. All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form and amount specified in BDS.
13. The closing date and time for receipt of Bids is **August 31, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.** (Benin time). Bids received after this time and date shall not be considered and will be returned unopened at the written request and cost of the Bidder. Please note that electronic Bids will not be accepted. Bidders should be aware that distance and customs formalities may require longer than expected delivery time.

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The stamp is circular with the text "MILLIENNIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT BENIN II" around the perimeter and "Coordonnateur National" in the center.