



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

RFP NUMBER	RFQ CO 200/11/2021
DATE ISSUED	05 November 2021
PROJECT NAME	B-BBEE Certification for SANSa
CLOSING DATE AND TIME	16 November 2021 @ 16:00
NAME OF PROPOSER/TENDERER	
CSD SUPPLIER NUMBER (MA NUMBER)	
TELEPHONE NUMBER	
FAX NUMBER	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
PHYSICAL ADDRESS	
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTION	
FULL NAME OF BIDDER OR HIS OR HER REPRESENTATIVE	
IDENTITY NUMBER	
POSITION OCCUPIED IN THE COMPANY (DIRECTOR, TRUSTEE, SHAREHOLDER)	
COMPANY REGISTRATION NUMBER	
TAX REFERENCE NUMBER	
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER	
QUOTE PRICE (INCL VAT)	
SIGNATURE	

Full details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Tax Reference Number	State Employee Number Persal Number

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST (SBD 4)

Any legal person, including persons employed by the state¹, SANSA Board members or persons having a kinship with persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes a price quotation, advertised competitive bid, limited bid or proposal). In view of possible allegations of favouritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorised representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudicating authority where-

- The bidder is employed by the state;
- SANSA Board member; and/or
- the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid

¹“State” means –

- (a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999);
- (b) any municipality or municipal entity;
- (c) provincial legislature;
- (d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or
- (e) Parliament

Are you or any person connected with the bidder presently employed by the state? If so, furnish the following particulars: Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/ member:..... Name of state institution at which you or the person connected to the bidder is employed..... Position occupied in the state institution:..... Any other particulars:.....	YES / NO
If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain the appropriate authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the public sector? If yes, did you attach proof of such authority to the bid document? (Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of bid If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:.....	YES / NO YES / NO
Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / trustees / shareholders / members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve months? If so, furnish particulars:.....	YES / NO
Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have any relationship (family, friend, other) with a person employed by the state and who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? If so, furnish particulars:.....	YES / NO
Are you, or any person connected with the bidder aware of any relationship (family, friend, other) between any other bidder and any person employed by the state who may be involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? If so, furnish particulars:.....	YES / NO

Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members of the company have any interest in any other related companies whether or not they are bidding for this contract? If so, furnish particulars:.....	YES / NO
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2. Declaration of Bidder's past supply chain management practices (SBD 8)

2.1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.

2.2 It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system

2.3 The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have-

2.3.1 Abused the institution's supply chain management system

2.3.2 Committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or

2.3.3 Failed to perform on any previous contract.

2.4 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

Item	Question	Yes	No
2. 4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's database as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector? (Companies or persons who are listed on this database were informed in writing of this restriction by the National Treasury after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied).	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
2.4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
2.4.2	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)? To access this Register enter the National Treasury's website, www.treasury.gov.za, click on the icon "Register for Tender Defaulters" or submit your written request for a hard copy of the Register to facsimile number (012) 3265445.	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
2.4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
2.4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
2.4.3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

2.4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
2.4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

3. Certificate of Independent Bid Determination (SBD 9)

- 3.1 This Standard Bidding Document (SBD) must form part of all bids¹ invited.
- 3.2 Section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, prohibits an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if it involves collusive bidding (or bid rigging).² Collusive bidding is a *pe se* prohibition meaning that it cannot be justified under any grounds.
- 3.3 Treasury Regulation 16A9 prescribes that accounting officers and accounting authorities must take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system and authorizes accounting officers and accounting authorities to:
- a. disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors have abused the institution's supply chain management system and or committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system.
 - b. cancel a contract awarded to a supplier of goods and services if the supplier committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of that contract.
- 3.4 This SBD serves as a certificate of declaration that would be used by institutions to ensure that, when bids are considered, reasonable steps are taken to prevent any form of bid-rigging.
- 3.5 In order to give effect to the above, the attached Certificate of Bid Determination (SBD 9) must be completed and submitted with the bid:

¹ Includes price quotations, advertised competitive bids, limited bids and proposals.

² Bid rigging (or collusive bidding) occurs when businesses, that would otherwise be expected to compete, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and / or services for purchasers who wish to acquire goods and / or services through a bidding process. Bid rigging is, therefore, an agreement between competitors not to compete.

Certificate of Independent Bid Determination

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid:

(Bid Number and Description)

in response to the invitation for the bid made by:

(Name of Institution)

do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

I certify, on behalf of: _____ that:

(Name of Bidder)

- A. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
- B. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- C. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
- D. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
- E. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether or not affiliated with the bidder, who:
 - (a) Has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
 - (b) Could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - (c) Provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
- F. The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- G. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - (i) prices;
 - (ii) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (iii) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (iv) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;
 - (v) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
 - (vi) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.

- H. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- I. The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.

³ Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

- J. I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

4. REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR B-BBEE CERTIFICATION FOR SANSA

4.1 BACKGROUND TO SANSA

The South African National Space Agency (SANSA) has a mandate, as outlined in the South African National Space Agency Act, 2008 (Act No 36 of 2008), to co-ordinate and integrate national space science and technology programmes and conduct long-term planning and implementation of space-related activities in South Africa, for the benefit of the citizens of South Africa.

SANSA currently have four (4) programmes namely: Corporate Office, Earth Observations, Space Science and Space Operations. The office addresses are in the table below:

SANSA PREMISES
SANSA CORPORATE AND EARTH OBSERVATION OFFICES: Enterprise Building, Mark Shuttleworth Street, Innovation Hub, Pretoria
SANSA SPACE OPERATIONS OFFICES: Farm 502JQ, Hartebeesthoek, District of Krugersdorp
SANSA SPACE SCIENCE OFFICES: Hospital Street, Hermanus, Western Cape

5. SCOPE OF WORK (TERMS OF REFERENCE)

SANSA requires the B-BBEE verification agency to accredit SANSA for BEE certification for a period of 3 years (3 valid certificates) for the following financial years:

- 2020/21 financial year – certification due before 4 April 2022
- 2021/22 financial year
- 2022/23 financial year

5.1 Requirements from Service Provider including but not limited to:

The specific requirements and activities are detailed below and not limited to;

- Perform a B-BBEE Audit and Gap Analysis to ensure competitive B-BBEE Recognition Level
- The agency must provide training and workshops to SANSA employees
- Collect evidence and preparing the verification file
- Reporting and recommendations including the progress report
- The agency must allocate a Manager and an Analyst to the project to conduct a workshop
- The agency must do site visit for verification of all information supplied. The site visit will be done only in Pretoria
- The agency must advice on critical success indicators mainly to improve the entity's rating level.
- The agency must present and issue final verification report to SANSA management.
- The agency must issue a valid B-BBEE Certificate
- The agency must provide the ongoing support services and enquiries
- The agency must provide SANSA with a B-BBEE software management tool that will assist with:
 - ❖ Data capturing of all the B-BBEE related transactions;
 - ❖ Assessment and information analysis
 - ❖ Setting own targets;
 - ❖ Scorecards calculations;

- ❖ Scenario planning tool;
 - ❖ B-BBEE supplier and procurement management systems;
 - ❖ Generating the verification spreadsheets, fully populated with all the relevant data that the verification agency will require to conduct the B-BBEE Audit
 - ❖ Monthly and quarterly reporting.
- The tool must integration with the SANSA's ERP system

5.2 Information:

- SANSA receives income of +/- R 400million from the Department of Science and Technology (Grant), contract income, Research grants, ring fenced income and private sector income.
- The current B-BBEE certificate expires on the 04th of April 2022

6. EVALUATION CRITERIA

SANSA promotes the concept of "best value" in the award of contracts, as opposed to merely looking for the cheapest price, which does not necessarily provide the best value. Best value incorporates the expertise, experience and technical proposal of the organisation and individuals who will be providing the service and the organisational capacity supporting the project team.

SANSA is committed to achieving Government's transformation objectives in terms of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act.

The value of this bid is estimated not to exceed R1 million (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the **80/20** system shall be applicable.

The procedure for the evaluation of responsive tenders is **price, functionality (quality) and preference** method. The evaluation of the bids will be conducted in the following two stages:

- Firstly, the assessment of quality will be done in terms of the evaluation criteria (Table 1) and the minimum threshold of 70 points explained below. A bid will be disqualified if it fails to meet the minimum threshold for functionality as per the bid invitation
- Thereafter, only the qualifying bids are evaluated in terms of the 80/20 preference points systems, where the 80 points will be used for price and the 20 points will be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contributor in accordance with the Table below

Preference

(ORIGINAL/CERTIFIED B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/SWORN AFFIDAVIT MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE)

Calculation of points for B-BBEE status level contributor

Points will be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contributor in accordance with the Table1 below

Table1: B-BBEE level and points

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	20

2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for the functionality, price and preferencing evaluation, the bidder must submit the following as per table 2 below.

If there is “No” on the Table 2 below, the bidder who didn't submit the required document (s) on the closing date will be disqualified.

Table 2: Eligibility Criteria

Criteria	Attached (Yes/No)	Comments
CSD Registration Summary Report with a compliant tax status on the closing date		
Accredited by SANAS (attach the accreditation)		

Quality/Functionality:

Scores will be tabulated to 100 points. Respondents must score **70 points** and over to be assessed on their financial offer and preference score.

The allocation of points for the evaluation of quality/functionality is set out in Table3 below:

Table 3: Quality/Functionality Criteria

Criteria	Maximum Points
Methodology (Approach)	20
Company Experience	20
Resources (Key personnel)	30
<i>Only respondents who score 50 points or more on the aforementioned evaluation criterion will be evaluated further on the presentation of the tool.</i>	
Presentation of the Software management Tool	30
Total evaluation points for quality (functionality)	100

Evaluation criteria 1: Methodology

The proposal must respond to the scope of work and outline the suggested approach / methodology and work plan complete with time frames and where relevant and appropriate. The proposal should clearly articulate the project deliverables and be aligned to the pricing schedule. The bidder must propose value added services that they can provide to SANSA and also highlight emerging trends.

The scoring of the proposed approach will be as follows:

	Methodology
Non Responsive (score 0)	Service provider has not provided methodology
Poor (score 05)	The proposal is poor or is unlikely to satisfy project objectives or requirements. The service provider has misunderstood certain aspects of the scope of work and does not deal with the critical aspects of the scope of work.
Good (score 15)	The proposal is specifically tailored to address all scope of work objectives and requirements; and is sufficiently flexible to accommodate changes that may occur during execution. The work plan fits the methodology well; all important activities are indicated in the activity and their sequencing is appropriate and consistent with project objectives and requirements. There is a fair degree of detail that facilitates understanding of the proposed scope of work.
Excellent (score 20)	Besides meeting the "good" rating, the important issues are approached in an innovative and efficient way, indicating that the service provider has outstanding knowledge of the deliverables. The proposal details ways to improve the project outcomes and the quality of the outputs. The proposal has included value added services that is relevant to the project. The sequencing and timing of activities are very well defined, indicating that the service provider has optimized the use of resources and the work plan permits flexibility to accommodate contingencies and risks.

Evaluation criteria 2: Service provider's (Company) experience

Bidders should briefly describe their experience in this regard and attach this to this schedule.

Service Provides to ensure the table below is fully completed (as per the format provided).

Company Name	Contact Person, phone number & email	Description of Service Rendered	Date when the service was rendered	Value of the project.

Reference Letter

The bidder must present at least 3 valid references letters (on company letterhead) indicating the years for which they have provided B-BBEE certifications, description of the services and contract value.

The experience of the bidder in similar projects or similar areas and conditions in relation to the scope of work will be evaluated. This experience must **exclude** the work done for Exempted Micro Enterprises (EME) and Qualified Small Enterprise (QSE).

The bidder must have experience in B-BBEE certifications in public entities and government institutions
Service provider should very briefly describe company experience and attach these to the schedule below.

Please note that SANSA will be contacting the references provided to verify the information

	Company Experience
Non Responsive (score 0)	No service provider/company's experience has been submitted
Poor (Score 05)	Bidder has limited experience (The bidder must have experience in BEE certifications for less than 7 generic companies of which 5 or less are public entities and government institutions). The service provider has submitted 1 related reference letters <i>The bidder must attach a list of companies verified as per the table above</i>
Good (Score 15)	Bidder has solid experience (The bidder must have experience in BEE certifications for more than 7 generic companies of which 5 of them are public entities and government institutions). The service provider has submitted 2 related reference letters <i>The bidder must attach a list of companies verified as per the table above</i> NB: Five (5) points will be deducted from any service provider with less than 5 public entities or government institutions
Excellent (Score 20)	Bidder has extensive experience (The bidder must have experience in BEE certifications for more than 10 generic companies of which 5 of them are public entities and government institutions). The service provider has submitted 3 or more related reference letters <i>The bidder must attach a list of companies verified as per the table above</i> NB: Five (5) points will be deducted from any service provider with less than 5 public entities or government institutions

Evaluation criteria 3: Resources

The experience of the proposed project team in similar projects in relation to the scope of work will be evaluated. The experience of the project team will be assessed according to SANSA's requirements.

Key resources (manager and analyst) to provide a CV/profile, rewards and remuneration related certification.

The experience of the key resources in similar projects will be evaluated

The bidder must attach the CV of the Key resources

The key resources must be the people who will be involved in the project

The bidder must advise SANSA when the key resources are replaced, and SANSA must approve the replacement

The replacement must have the same skills as the key resources evaluated

	General qualifications
Non-Responsive (Score 0)	Service provider has not provided CV/profile for the key resources
Poor (Score 10)	Key resources have limited levels of experience (less than 3 years) based on their CV/profile
Good (Score 20)	Key resources have extensive levels of experience (between 3 & 5 years) based on their CV/profile
Excellent (Score 30)	Key resources have outstanding levels of experience (more than 5 years) based on their CV/profile

Evaluation criteria 4: Presentation of the Software Management Tool

Bidders who scored more than **50 points** Methodology, Company experience and Key resources will be invited to present an overview of how their software management tool works.

Non-Responsive (score 0)	Service provider did not present.
Poor (score 10)	The system presented does not satisfy or meet all the objectives or requirements as per the scope of work.
Good (score 20)	The system presented satisfy or meet all the objectives or requirements as per the scope of work.
Excellent (score 30)	Service provider has presented an excellent targeted presentation on how the organisation plans to execute the project. Besides meeting a "good" rating, the system presented addresses all aspects of the provided scope in an innovative and efficient way, indicating that the tenderer has outstanding knowledge and includes value-added functionalities of statutory financial statement software.

7. PRICING SCHEDULE

Pricing Instructions

1. The Bidder must price all items as per the scope of work.
2. The price must be fixed for the duration of the contract
3. Rates are to include all costs with no unspecified cost to allow for a fair evaluation.
4. Payment will be made based on the deliverables (proven progress) for the services rendered.
5. Payment will only be made on the basis of invoices provided.
6. Offer to be valid for 30 days from the bid closing date

9. TIMELINES

The successful service provider must be in the position to provide the service (kick off meeting) within one week after the purchase order has been issued by SANSA.

10. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION AND MINIMUM CRITERIA

In order to demonstrate their capacity and score points with respect to the criteria, tenderers should provide the following supporting documentation.

- a. Supporting documents for the evaluation criteria as per section 6 of this bid document.
- b. Original/Certified B-BBEE status level verification certificate/Sworn affidavit must be submitted in order to qualify for preference points for B-BBEE);
- c. 3 References including organisation name, contact person and contact numbers;
- d. Quotation must reflect a cost breakdown, where applicable, prices quoted must be inclusive of VAT
- e. All pages of quotation must be signed by the responsible person
- f. SANSA has the right to withdraw any quotation at any time within the validity of the quotation.
- g. **SANSA reserves the right to invite suppliers/companies to present their bid proposals for final decision**

11. DECLARATION

The undersigned, who warrants that he / she is duly authorized to do so on behalf of the enterprise:

- i) confirms that neither the name of the enterprise or the name of any partner, manager, director or other person, who wholly or partly exercises, or may exercise, control over the enterprise appears on the Register of Tender Defaulters established in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act of 2004;
- ii) confirms that no partner, member, director or other person, who wholly or partly exercises, or may exercise, control over the enterprise appears, has within the last five years been convicted of fraud or corruption;
- iii) confirms that I / we are not associated, linked or involved with any other tendering entities submitting tender offers and have no other relationship with any of the tenderers or those responsible for compiling the scope of work that could cause or be interpreted as a conflict of interest;
- iv) confirms that the contents of this questionnaire/forms (SBD 4, 8 & 9) are within my personal knowledge and are to the best of my belief both true and correct
- v) accept that, in addition to cancellation of a contract, action may be taken against me should the Declaration prove to be false.
- vi) confirms that the bidder has read the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and agree with the conditions. The GCC can be found on SANSA website
<http://www.treasury.gov.za/divisions/ocpo/sc/GeneralConditions/General%20Conditions%20of%20Contract.pdf>

Signed _____ Date _____

Name _____ Position _____

Enterprise Name _____

Bid Conditions

1. Disqualification

Please note that if a bid document is not filled in correctly or completely, or complied with the specification, or is delivered/send after the bid closing date and time, or the supplier is not registered on the CSD or supplier

has a non-compliant tax status, then unfortunately that bidder will be disqualified. Please return this document with the supporting documents.

2. Bid Document Submission

Emailed tender documents will be accepted. However, the onus is on the tenderer to ensure that complete email documents have been received by the SANSA by the due date and time.

Please note that any alterations to the tender document other than filling in the tenderer's details and tender price will automatically disqualify the tenderer.

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