Collusion in IRC

تمنع لجنة الإنقاذ الدولية التواطئ بين عملائها الذين يشاركون في العطاءات بحيث يؤدي ذلك إلى إستبعادهم من المشاركة في حالة تم الشك في حدوث ذلك. يحدث تواطئ في حال تقديم أشخاص ذات صلة قرابة لعروض أسعار لنفس العطاء. هذا النوع يشمل التالي: أ- أفراد من نفس العائلة يقومون بتقديم عروض أسعار لنفس العطاء.

ب- شركتين مختلفتين أو أكثر مملوكتين لنفس الشخص تقدم كل منهما عرض سعر لنفس العطاء.

ت- موظفين في شركة يقدمون عروض أسعار منفصلة من خلال شركاتهم التي يمتلكونها.

ث- شركاء في شركة يقوم كل منهم بتقديم عرض سعر لنفس العطاء منفصلا

إنه يعد نوع من الإختلاف الغير مقبول إذا كان هناك شخص له علاقة بعدة شركات ويقوم بتقديم عروض أسعار مختلفة لنفس العطاء. هذا النوع سيقود لجنة الإنقاذ الدولية لإستبعاد كافة الشركات المتواطئة في هذا العمل من هذا العطاء ومن تقديم عروض الأسعار للعطاءات المستقبلة. بالإضافة إلى ذلك، قد تقوم لجنة الإنقاذ الدولية بمشاركة معلومات لها صلة بهذا التواطئ مع منظمات إغاثة أخرى تعمل في نفس الإقليم مما سيؤدى إلى فقدان هؤ لاء الأشخاص الفرصة من المشاركة في عطاءاتهم أيضا.

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Company/vendor name and signature ----- اسم وتوقيع الشركة الشركة



International Rescue Committee (Lebanon)

Request for Proposal (RFP)

(Audit Services)

| Planned Timetable | | |
|--|-------------|--|
| Issue Request for Proposal | 27 Nov 2023 | |
| Suppliers return signed Intent to Bid forms due date | 06 Dec 2023 | |
| Questions from Suppliers due date | 01 Dec 2023 | |
| Answers to Suppliers questions due date | 03 Dec 2023 | |
| Bid submission due date | 11 Dec 2023 | |
| Bid Opening and Evaluation date | 12 Dec 2023 | |
| Supplier visit if applicable | TBD | |
| Award of Business | TBD | |
| Contract start | TBD | |

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A. INTRODUCTION

1. The International Rescue committee

The International Rescue Committee, hereinafter referred to as "the IRC", is a non-profit, humanitarian agency that provides relief, rehabilitation, protection, resettlement services, and advocacy for refugees, displaced persons and victims of oppression and violent conflict.

2. The Purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP)

It is the intent of this RFP to secure competitive proposals to select Supplier(s) for the International Rescue committee Lebanon to supply **Audit Services** to or at the following locations Beirut, Zahle, Tripoli, Akkar. All qualified and interested Suppliers are invited to submit their proposals.

The winning Bidder(s) will enter into a fixed price Master Purchase Agreement (MSA) for Two (2) years. Bidders shall be domiciled in and shall comply with all Government Regulations to operate in Lebanon. Bidders shall be regular tax-payers, and shall furnish a copy of their operating license/certificate of registration valid for the fiscal year 2023. Bidders shall not be under a declaration of ineligibility for corrupt or fraudulent practices.

3. Cost of Bidding

The Bidder shall be responsible for all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, and IRC hereinafter referred to as "the Purchaser", will in no case be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

B. THE BIDDING DOCUMENTS:

4. The Bidding Documents

The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the bidding documents prepared for the selection of qualified suppliers. Failure to furnish all information required as per the bidding documents or to submit a bid not substantially responsive to the bidding documents in every respect will be at the Bidder's risk and may result in bid rejection.

The Bidding documents shall include the following documents:

- The Request for Proposal RFP;
- Appendix A Technical Bid;
- Appendix B Intent to Bid; to be submitted by 11 December 2023, either by hand or to be emailed to QA-Audit@rescue.org
- Appendix C Tender and Contract Award Acknowledge Certificate;
- Appendix D Supplier Information Form;
- Appendix E IRC Conflict of Interest and Supplier Code of Conduct;
- Appendix G Commercial Bid

5. Clarification of Bidding Documents

A prospective Bidder requiring clarification of the Bidding Documents may notify the Purchaser in writing at (QA-Audit@rescue.org). The request for clarification must reach the purchaser not later than (01 December 2023). The Purchaser shall respond by e-mail providing clarification on the bid documents no later than (3 December 2023). Written copies of the Purchaser's response (including an explanation of the query but without identifying the source of inquiry) shall be communicated to all prospective Bidders which express an intention to submit bids.

C. PREPARATION OF BIDS:

6. Language of Bid

The Bid and all related correspondence and documents exchanged between the Bidders and the Purchaser shall be written in English language. Any printed literature furnished by the Bidder and written in another language shall be accompanied by a English Translation of its pertinent passages, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the bid, the English version shall prevail.

7. Documents Comprising the Bid

The submitted bid shall include the following information. Failure to provide all requested information or to comply with the specified formats may disqualify the Bidder from consideration.

New Template

- A cover letter explaining the Bidder's interest in supplying the good or service to the IRC;
- Profile of the company;
- A Bid detailing the goods or services and their unit prices only in the sheet given for the purpose;
- Explanations of delivery lead-times, warrantees, transport, storage, and handling requirements, and other important information;
- A Certificate of Business Registration or Trading License in Lebanon
- Taxpayers documents in Lebanon
- Three (3) References from current or past clients (at least in the last one year)
- Other important documents which Bidder attaches to support its bid.

Technical Bid: The technical proposal shall be comprised of minimum, the below documents:

- Appendix A Technical Bid Form (fully complete, sign, stamp, and submit).
- Appendix B Intent to Bid; to be submitted by 6 December 203, either by hand or to be emailed to QA-Audit@rescue.org
 - Appendix C Tender and Contract Award Acknowledgement Certificate (complete, sign, stamp, and submit).
 - Appendix D Vendor Information Form (complete, sign, initial each page, stamp, and submit)
 - Appendix E IRC Conflict of Interest and Supplier Code of Conduct:
 - Copy of a Valid Certificate of Registration with relevant government agencies or memorandum and article of association (submit a copy)
 - Copy of VAT registration, (if any, submit a copy).
 - A Company profile that includes information on overall longevity and time in the marketplace, company size, customer service structure and support (submit a signed copy).

Commercial Bid: The Commercial proposal shall be comprised of minimum, the below documents:

Appendix G –Commercial Bid (fully complete, sign, stamp, and submit).

8. Bid Prices.

The Bidder shall clearly indicate the unit price of the goods it proposes to supply. All unit prices shall be clearly indicated in the space provided in the price schedule, and all unit prices quoted in the RFP response shall be agreed to be in effect for a minimum of twelve (12) months beginning on the date when the contract is executed, with the exception of products or services which are subject to significant and unavoidable market forces which prevent this, in which case the Bidder shall describe and justify the driver(s) of potential price fluctuation during the first twelve (12) months of the agreement. The Bidder shall sign the price schedule, and shall stamp the price schedule with the Bidding Company's seal where feasible.

9. Bid Currencies

All financial rates and amounts entered in the Bid Form and Price Schedule and used in documents, correspondence, or operations pertaining to this tender shall be expressed in <u>United States Dollars —</u>
USD

10. Document Establishing Goods Eligibility and Conformity to Bidding Documents

Pursuant to Clause 8, the Bidder shall furnish, as part of its bid, documents establishing the eligibility and conformity to the Bidding Documents of all goods and services, which the Bidder proposes to supply under the Contract.

The Documentary evidence of the goods' and services' conformity to the Bidding Documents may be in the form of technical specifications, literature, drawings, data (tables, graphs etc.), and shall furnish:

- A detailed description of the goods' essential technical and performance characteristics.
- A clause-by-clause commentary on the Purchaser's Technical Specifications demonstrating the goods' and services' substantial responsiveness to those specifications or a statement of deviations and exceptions to the provisions of the Technical Specifications.

The Bidder may propose alternate standards, brand-names and/or catalogue numbers in its bid, provided that it demonstrates to the Purchaser's satisfaction that the substitutions are substantially equivalent or superior to those designated in the Technical Specifications.

11. Bid Security

For the Purpose of this Tender Process, Bid Security or Bond is not applicable.

12. Period of Validity of Bids

Bids shall remain valid for 90 working days after the date of bid opening prescribed by the Purchaser. A bid valid for a shorter period may be rejected by the Purchaser as non-responsive.

In exceptional circumstances, the Purchaser may request the Bidders to extend the period of validity. The request and the responses thereto shall be made in writing by letter or e-mail. A bidder agreeing to the request will not be required nor permitted to modify his bid.

13. Format and Signing

The original bid shall be signed by the Bidder or by a person or persons authorized to bind the Bidder to the contract. Financial proposal pages of the bid shall be initialed by the person or persons signing the bid and stamped with the Bidder's company seal.

Interlineations, erasures, annotations, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are initialed by the person or persons signing the bid.

Please note: A single bidder may not bid on the same tender via more than one company under his or her ownership. In addition, bidders having close relationships with other bidders (members of the same family, subsidiary, or daughter companies, etc.) may not bid on the same tender. This type of action, or any other action judged by the Purchaser to constitute collusive behavior, will lead to the bidder(s) being automatically eliminated from this tender and disqualified from participating in future IRC tenders. On the other hand, one bidder may submit more than one offer in response to the same tender only if the offers demonstrate clear differences in specifications, quality, lead time, and other characteristic of the goods and services offered.

D. SUBMISSION OF BIDS

14. Submission and Marking of Bids:

Bidder shall submit two sealed bids (Technical and Financial) addressed to the

- 1. Beirut, located at 711, Alfred Naccache St., Azouri center, 8th floor, Ashrafieh
- 2. Tripoli, located at Dam w Farez Street, behind the syndicate of engineers, Al Wafaa building, 1st floor
- 3. Zahle, Hawsh Al Omara, Paul Makhoul Bldg, close to Vehicle Registration Blg (Nefaa), 3rd floor
- 4. Qobayyat, Martmoura St. Georges Raad Building behind the Red Cross; 2nd floor by 11 of December 2023 at 16:00 P.M If conditions allow, otherwise, all bidders are to submit two separate offers through two separate restricted emails (Technical and Financial). Subject: Technical Offer / Financial Offer (in case this is not applied disqualification may take place).

LB.technicalaudit@rescue.org (for Technical Offer part - page #1 till page #22)

LB.financialaudit@rescue.org for Financial Offer part – Appendix G, page #23 till page #28)

11 of December 2023 at 16:00 p.m.

Any file that will be sent via WeTransfer, Send It, or any similar program: the bidder shall inform us once proposal is sent mentioning the expiry date of the file and/or insure the validity of the link for minimum of 3 months validity.

All bids shall be placed in the box provided for the purpose. Bids submitted after the deadline will not be accepted. The PURCHASER may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids, in which case all rights and obligations of the PURCHASER and Bidders, as documented in the RFP, will be applicable to the new deadline.

Bidders shall sign the bid register form at the reception of the IRC office indicating their company name, telephone number, and date of submission.

Format

The Bidder's proposal shall include a technical proposal and a financial proposal, in two separate sealed envelopes. unless the bidder opts for electronic submission which should be to the above two email addresses, then the bidder will send 2 separate files 1 technical proposal to the Technical email address and 1 financial proposal to the Financial email address.

15. Modification and Withdrawal of Bids

The Bidder may modify or withdraw its Bid after submission, provided that written notice of the modification, including substitution or withdrawal of the Bids, is received by the Purchaser prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of Bids.

The Bidder's modification or withdrawal notice shall be prepared, sealed, marked, and dispatched. No Bid may be modified after the deadline for submission of bids.

E. BID OPENING AND EVALUATION

16. Preliminary Examination

The Purchaser will examine the bids to determine whether they are complete, whether any computational errors have been made, whether required sureties have been furnished, whether the documents have been properly signed and whether bids are generally in order.

17. Evaluation and Comparison of Bids

Bids determined to be substantially responsive as per section 7 above will be considered evaluated by the IRC Procurement Committee, with the below scoring criteria.

| EVALUATION CRITERIA | Description | Weight (%) |
|---------------------|---|------------|
| Eligibility | Refers to Bidder's ability to demonstrate that they are able to perform and provide the requested services as listed in Appendix A –Technical Bid Form | 30% |
| Site visits | Refers to the committee members observation while conducting site visits to the service providers premises during the tender process | 5% |
| Due diligence | Due diligence and reference check result over 3 references provided-clients , and within the required same scope of service, these references could be private entities, iNGOs, or UN organizations. | 5% |
| Payment Terms | | 5% |
| Green Environment | | 5% |
| Commercial bid | Appendix F – Commercial Bid | 50% |
| | | 100% |

18. Contacting the Purchaser

Subject to Clause 5, no Bidder shall contact the Purchaser on any matter relating to its bid, from the time of the bid opening to the time the Contract is awarded or the selected qualified supplier is announced.

19. Notification of Award

Prior to the expiration of the period of bid validity, the Purchaser shall notify the successful bidder in writing or where necessary by telephone that his or her bid has been accepted and, selected for Master Purchase Agreement for the specific goods and/or services. At this stage IRC may also choose to negotiate with the selected bidder to finalize the offer.

F. CONTRACTING

20. Contract award and notification

The Purchaser shall award the Contract to the notified successful Bidder(s) whose bid has been determined to be substantially responsive and has been determined to be the best evaluated bid considering price and performance factors, provided further that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to enter into a Master Purchase Agreement and perform its obligations satisfactorily.

21. Warranty

The Supplier shall warrant that the goods to be supplied are new, unused, of the most recent or current models (products), and meet the Purchaser's specifications.

The warranty shall remain valid for a period of time as may be specified by the supplier in the Bid and this warranty period shall be considered as one of the bid advantages, and shall in no case be less than that which is provided for by the Lebanese Law if any.

22. Inspection

The Purchaser shall have the right to inspect the goods to confirm their conformity to the specification. The inspection will be conducted by assigned staff of the Purchaser or a reputed relevant consultant selected by the Purchaser.

In the future business relation, should any inspected goods fail to conform to the specification, the Purchaser may reject them and the Bidder shall replace the rejected goods without extension of time except at the Purchaser's sole discretion.

23. Price Schedules and Location

Vendors interested in the provision of Goods and Services to IRC Country offices should NOTE that all categories apply to all IRC Offices.

List of Services for Master Purchase Agreement as per below Categories is attached.

24. Service or consultant agreements

For service or consultant agreements time and material awards are not authorized unless it is the only suitable award and a ceiling is established.

25. Disclaimer

The Purchaser reserves the right to alter the dates of the timetable.

The Purchaser does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any proposal.

G. ETHICAL OPERATING STANDARDS

1. Compliance to the IRC Way

The IRC Way: Standards for Professional Conduct ("The IRC Way"), the IRC's code of conduct, which can be found at: https://www.rescue.org/page/our-code-conduct and IRC's combating Trafficking in Persons Policy, which can be found at: https://rescue.app.box.com/s/h6dv915b72o1rnapxg3vczbqxjtboyel. The IRC Way provides three (3) core values - Integrity, Service, and Accountability – and twenty-two (22) specific undertakings.

The IRC Way provides, inter alia, that IRC does "not engage in theft, corrupt practices, nepotism, bribery, or trade in illicit substances." IRC's procurement systems and policies are designed to maximize transparency and minimize the risk of corruption in IRC's operations.

IRC requests that a supplier

(i) informs IRC upon becoming aware that the integrity of IRC's business has been compromised during the RFP process, and

(ii) reports such events through IRC's confidential hotline, Ethics point, which can be accessed at www.ethicspoint.com or via toll–free (866) 654–6461 in the U.S., or collect (503) 352–8177 outside the U.S.

2. Bidder Non Collusion Statement

IRC prohibits collusion and will disqualify all bids where collusion is detected. Collusion happens when related parties submit separate bids for the same tender. Collusion includes situations where:

- a) Members of the same family submit separate bids for the same tender
- b) Separate companies owned by the same person submit separate bids for the same tender
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Appendix A - Technical Bid Form

Please make sure to submit your offer by hand or on the restricted email below: LB.technicalaudit@rescue.org

Overview

Audit service to be used whenever we have any requirement to conduct the audit to our budgets;

Notes:

- The Technical Evaluation Committee will rule on the technical admissibility of each Bid, classifying it as technically
 compliant or non-compliant. The technical evaluation will be based on the information and documents annexed in the Bid
 concerning the service and documentation provided, and both the task to be carried out under the RFP, and the
 professional ability of the Bidder for 'services';
- You are expected, to fill in the following Table, that is detailing our essential required technical criteria, and only those bids that are meeting our below criteria, will presume to the next evaluation phase-Commercial;
- All the mandatory documents shall be provided within the technical file or else they will be disqualified from further clarifications;

| Required Documents | Check for | | Mandatory |
|--|-----------|--|-----------|
| for Submission | provision | Explanation | |
| 1. Reference checks | | List of Three clients and above via filling List of Three clients and above in addition, submission of minimum 3 confirmation letters of successful provision of audit service, specifying positive experience. 1 | Mandatory |
| 2. Reference Letter | | Submission of at least of 2 certificates (signed and stamped) from previous clients (Written confirmation addressed to your company from various clients within the last 2 months from submission date) preferably INGOs and/or UN Agencies. | Optional |
| 3. Filled, signed, and stamped of Tender and Contract Award Acknowledgement Certificate – Appendix C | | Yes / No. Comments: | Mandatory |
| 4.Filled in, stamped, and signed IRC- of Supplier Information Form - Appendix D | | Yes / No. Comments: | Mandatory |

| 5.Copy of a Valid Certificate of Registration with relevant | Yes / No. Comments: | Mandatory |
|---|--|-----------|
| 6. Copy of VAT registration | Yes / No. Comments: | Preferred |
| 7. Copy of a valid NSSF Clearance | Yes / No. Comments: | Preferred |
| 8. A Company profile that includes information on overall longevity and time in the marketplace, company size, customer service structure and support | Yes / No. Comments: | Mandatory |
| 9. Filled, signed and stamped the IRC Conflict of Interest and Supplier Code of Conduct- Appendix E; | Yes / No. Comments: | Mandatory |
| 10.INGO/UN experience | Ability to provide IRC with a list of all INGOs and UN agencies that you worked with previously | Preferred |
| 11. Offices | Auditor ability to have local and international field offices | Required |
| 12. Certified team members | Provide CVs for all team member that will be named to work with IRC through the full duration; the auditor do confirm that the team members shall hold a minimum certification that enables him to provide audit services (ex: CPA, CMA) | Required |
| 13. IRC Focal point | Ability of the auditor to provide IRC with a focal point to hold responsible of our account at all times | Required |
| | Ability for the auditor to provide IRC with a work plan by accomplishing the full audit service under any budget required within a minimum of 10 working days | Required |
| 14. Work plan | The auditor shall provide IRC with an audit methodology in which they segregate the plan and split the cycle of any audit yet to happen (the methodology shall be provided within the RFP based on commercial bid – any of the TORs) to be able to abide by any donor requirements. Or/and required report | Required |
| 15. Audit Report | An audit report sample shall be provided within this RFP to act as a sample for the tender to be evaluated by committee members | Required |
| 16. Collusion | To be signed & stamped | Mandatory |
| | | L |

We realize that this is intent to bid and in no way obligates this company to participate in this process.

This Company DOES NOT intend to participate in this RFP.

Name (Signature if faxed)

Title of Person signing

Date

Please email or send this form by hand at your earliest convenience to the attention of:

Name: IRC Committee
Email QA-Audit@rescue.org

Appendix C – Tender and Contract Award Acknowledgement Certificate

- 1. In compliance with the RFP Instructions, we the undersigned, offer to furnish some or all the items quoted for, at the prices entered in the attached IRC Bid Form *ref# 5LB/BEY/24/LB1077* delivered to the destination specified therein.
- 2. We accept the terms and conditions set forth in the RFP Letter and the following requirements have been noted and will be complied with where applicable:
 - a. We confirm that for any offer made where the delivery destination is not as requested in the RFP, that IRC reserves the right to disregard the offer.
 - b. That conditional Bid's cannot be accepted.
 - c. That the currency of the Bid should be in USD or LBP, No other currencies are acceptable.
 - d. IRC reserves the right, at its own discretion:
 - i. To award a contract for a lesser or greater quantity than the total quantity Bid for.
 - ii. To reject any or all Bids and/or enter a contract with a Bidder other than the lowest Bidder.
 - e. Successful Bidders who are awarded contracts will be notified by the receipt of the original Contract and acknowledgement copy. In case or urgency successful Bidders(s) may also be notified by email.
 - f. Any samples requested, either with the Bid, or at a later date, will be in accordance with the specifications of the required item(s). Failure to comply with this may result in the Bid not being considered
 - g. We confirm that the validity of this offer is for 120 calendar days from the date of the RFP closure
 - h. We certify that the below mentioned company has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices in competing for, or in executing, any Contracts.
 - i. We agree to abide by the IRC Conflict of Interest and Supplier Code of Conduct as attached as Appendix E.
- 3. We note that IRC is not bound to proceed with this RFP and that it reserves the right to award only part of the contract. It will incur no liability towards us should it do so.

We agree to the above terms and conditions.

| Submitted by: | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Name | |
| Phone | |
| Email | |
| Signature (If faxed) | |
| Title of Person signing | |
| Date | |
| A duly authorized company re | presentative |
| Company Stamp | |

Appendix D – Vendor Information Form

Vendor Information

| *Company\Organizatio n Name *For individual | | |
|---|----------------|-------------------|
| consultants, provide legal first and last name | | |
| *Any other names company is operating under (Acronyms, Abbreviations, Aliases) if any | | |
| *Previous names of the company | | |
| *Address | | |
| *Website | | |
| *Phone/Fax Numbers | Phone: | Fax: |
| *Primary Contact | First Name: | Last Name: |
| *Primary Contact | Phone Number : | Email Address: |
| *Email address of Accounts Receivable person or team | | |
| *Email address to which Purchase orders should be sent | | |
| *Number of Staff | | |
| Number of Locations | | |
| Avg. \$ Value of Stock on Hand | | |
| *Name(s) of Company Owner(s) or Board of Directors or CEO | | |
| *Parent companies, if any | | |
| *Subsidiary or affiliate companies, if any | | |

Vendor's Initials

Financial Information

| *Bank Name and Address | Please include the | full bank address, must ind | clude the country | |
|---|------------------------|--------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| *Name under which company is registered at bank | Also called Accoun | t Title. Example: Internatio | nal Rescue Committee (IRC) | |
| *Specify Standard Payment Terms (Net, 15, 30 days etc) | | | | |
| *Payment Method (select all that applies) | Payment by: | Yes Check: No | <u>Wire</u> Yes □ <u>Transfer:</u> No □ | Yes □ Cash: No □ |
| Vendor preferred Currency | | | | |
| *Bank account number | This field is to be co | ompleted upon notification | of awarding of order\contract | |
| *Routing Number (Branch code/ Sort code if applicable) | This field is to be co | ompleted upon notification | of awarding of order\contract | |
| IBAN number (if applicable) | This field is manda | tory if payment requires ar | international wire transfer | |
| BIC/Swift code (if applicable) | This field is manda | tory if payment requires ar | international wire transfer | |
| | | | ndor payment requires an int their corresponding bank.) | ternational wire transiting throug |
| *Bank Name and Address | Please include the | full bank address, must ind | clude the country | |
| *Bank Branch code | This field is manda | tory if international wire tra | nsfer transits through an interme | ediary bank |
| *Bank account number | | • | nsfer transits through an interme | |
| BIC/Swift code (if applicable) | This field is manda | tory if international wire tra | nsfer transits through an interme | ediary bank |
| Product/Service In | <u>formation</u> | | | |
| List Range of Products/Services Offered | | | | |
| Basis For Pricing (Catalog, List, etc.) | | | | |
| Documentations as | s applicable: | | Vendo | or's Initials |
| *Registration | Provided: | Reasons: | | |

| | Not provided: □ | |
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| *Tax ID (US W9, | Provided: | |
| tax exempt certificate. etc.) or | | |
| country specific | | |
| required tax forms | | |
| US Vendors only | | |
| *Do you require a | Yes: □ No: □ | |
| Form 1099? | | |
| References (option | nal) | |

| Client Name: | Contact Name, Phone, Email Address: |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|
| Client Name: | Contact Name, Phone, Email Address: |
| Client Name: | Contact Name, Phone, Email Address: |

Financial definitions:

- BIC/SWIFT code: consists of 8-11 characters used to identify the vendors bank during an international transaction
- IBAN number: is used to identify the vendors bank account involved in the international transaction
- The intermediary/correspondent bank is a third-party bank used by the vendor's bank to facilitate international transfers. The vendor can obtain this information from their corresponding bank.

Vendor Self-Certification of Eligibility

Company certifies that:

- 1. They are not debarred, suspended, or otherwise precluded from participating in major donor (e.g. European Union, European and United States Government, United Nations) competitive bid opportunities.
- 2. They are not bankrupt or being wound up, are having their affairs administered by the courts, have entered into arrangements with creditors, have suspended business activities, are the subject of proceedings concerning those matters, or are in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations.
- 3. They have not been convicted of an offense concerning their professional conduct.
- 4. They have not been guilty of grave professional misconduct proven by any means that the contracting authority can justify, or been declared to be in serious breach of contract for failure to comply with their contractual obligations towards any contracts awarded in the normal course of business.
- 5. They have fulfilled obligations related to the payment of social security contributions or the payment of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of the country in which they are established or with those of the country where the contract is to be performed.
- 6. They have not been the subject of a judgment for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organization or any other illegal activity.
- 7. They maintain high ethical and social operating standards, including:
 - Working conditions and social rights: Avoidance of Child Labor, bondage, or forced labor; assurance of safe
 and reasonable working conditions; freedom of association; freedom from exploitation, abuse, and
 discrimination; protection of basic social rights of its employees and the IRC's beneficiaries.
 - Environmental aspects: Provision of goods and services with the least negative impact on the environment.
 - Humanitarian neutrality: Endeavoring to ensure that activities do not render civilians more vulnerable to attack, or bring unintended advantage to any military actors or other combatants.

- Transport and cargo: Not engaged in the illegal manufacture, supply, or transportation of weapons; not
 engaged in smuggling of drugs or people.
- 8. Company warrants that, to the best of its knowledge, no IRC employee, officer, consultant or other party related to IRC has a financial interest in the Company's business activities, nor is any IRC employee related to principals or owners of the company. Discovery of an undisclosed Conflict of Interest situation will result in immediate revocation of the Company's Authorized Vendor status and disqualification of Company from participation in future IRC procurement.
- 9. Vendor hereby confirms that the organization is not conducting business under other names or alias's that have not been declared to IRC.
- 10. Vendor herby confirms it does not engage in theft, corrupt practices, collusion, nepotism, bribery, or trade in illicit substances.

By signing the Vendor Information Form you certify that your Company is eligible to supply goods and services to major donor funded organizations and that all of the above statements are accurate and factual.

IRC Conflict of Interest and Vendor Code of Conduct

Vendor hereby agrees that Vendor and Vendor's employees and subcontractors, if any, shall abide by and follow all established written policies of IRC related to work conduct, including, but not limited to, The IRC Way: Standards for Professional Conduct ("The IRC Way"), the IRC's code of conduct, which can be found at: https://www.rescue.org/page/our-code-conduct and IRC's Combating Trafficking in Persons Policy, which can be found here: https://rescue.app.box.com/s/h6dv915b72o1rnapxg3vczbqxjtboyel.

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- We work to build the trust of the communities in which we work and sustain the trust earned by our reputation in serving our beneficiaries.
- We recognize that our talented and dedicated staff are our greatest asset and we conduct ourselves in ways that reflect the highest standards of organizational and individual conduct.
- Throughout our work, IRC respects the dignity, values, history, religion, and culture of those we serve.
- We respect equally the rights of women and men and we do not support practices that undermine the human rights of anyone.
- We refrain from all practices that undermine the integrity of the organization including any form of exploitation, discrimination, harassment, retaliation or abuse of colleagues, beneficiaries, and the communities in which we work.
- We do not engage in theft, corrupt practices, nepotism, bribery, or trade in illicit substances.
- We accept funds and donations only from sources whose aims are consistent with our mission, objectives, and capacity, and which do not undermine our independence and identity.
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Conflict of Interest and Legal Compliance

RFP - Audit Services

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| Name: | |
| Signature: | |
| Title: | |
| Print Name: | |
| Date: | |

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| Vendor Name: |
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| Signature: |
| Title: |
| Print Name: |
| Date: |

Appendix G - Commercial Bid

Please make sure to submit your offer by hand or on the restricted email below:

LB.financialaudit@rescue.org

The Proposers are requested to provide the prices for each item based on the following format. The prices will be fixed throughout the entire term of the contract, in case was granted.

*Prices should be valid for at least 360 days.

The following is important information regarding this RFP:

- IRC may award the contract to one or more than one Bidder.
- IRC will pay by fresh money USD, and fresh LBP for VAT

| Description | Price |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| 0-50,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
| | |
| 50,000-100,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |

| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
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| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
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| 100,000-200,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
| 200,000-300,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |

| 300,000-400,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
| 400,000-500,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
| | |
| 500,000-750,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |

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| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
| 750,000-1,000,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000,000-1,500,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |

| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
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| 1,500,000-2,000,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
| 2,000,000-3,000,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |
| 3,000,000-5,000,000 (Grant Value in USD) | Unit Price |
| 0-1,000 (Transactions) | |
| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |

| 3,000-5,000 (Transactions) | |
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| 5,000-10,000 (Transactions) | |
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| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
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| 1,000-3,000 (Transactions) | |
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| 10,000-15,000 (Transactions) | |
| 15,000-20,000 (Transactions) | |
| 20,000-30,000 (Transactions) | |

| • | Validity per | iod of above | prices is: | working days | (min. | 360) |
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| • | If NO , please | advise if VAT is | applicable and | should be added. | YES | NO |
|---|-----------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|-----|----|
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NOTE: VAT value (if applicable) will be paid in LBP currency, based on the official exchange rate

Name of the company representative:

[•] Do the above prices include <u>VAT</u>? YES ----- NO -----