

## **Invitation for Tenders (IFT)**

***Issuing date of the IFT:***

***November 6th, 2013***

***Name of Country:***

***Bangladesh***

***Name of Project:***

***Value Added Tax and Supplementary Duty Act, 2012 Implementation (VAT Online)  
Project***

### ***Brief Description of the Information System:***

To assist the effort to properly implement and effectively administer the new VAT law that will come into effect on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, the NBR has decided to purchasing a configurable, web-based Commercial-off-the-Shelf (COTS) administration system; this new system will provide the best fit for the organization's new business practices and processes.

### ***IFT Title:***

Procurement of an Integrated VAT Administration System (IVAS) Commercial-Off-The-Shelf (COTS) Software Package for the National Board of Revenue (NBR), Bangladesh.

***IFT Number: 08.01.0000.068.11.005.12.(6)-70, Dt. 06.11.2013***

1. The National Board of Revenue serves as the implementing agency for the project and now invites sealed tender from eligible Tenderers for providing software to automate the VAT management system of Bangladesh including requirement study, customization, installation, testing, implementation, integration with other systems, integration with other components of the project, incorporation in the system of corresponding changes in law, rules etc., migration of data from existing VAT systems, training, support service, maintenance and upgradation from time to time.
2. Tender will be conducted using the International Competitive Tender (ICT) procedures of Government of Bangladesh (GoB) and is open to all Tenderers eligible, that meet the following minimum qualification criteria:
  - (a) The Tenderer must have been in business for the last five (05) years.
  - (b) Tenderer shall provide at least two similar sites (in terms of: supporting a VAT and at least one other tax, at least the same number of periodic returns filed with e-filing ability and including a risk management and document management) where their present Administration COTS solution has been operational for at least two years (REF-002).
  - (c) The Tenderer must demonstrate present minimum average annual turnover of USD Fifteen (15) Million equivalent calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed within the last three (03) years.
  - (d) The Tenderer must demonstrate minimum USD Five (05) Million equivalent present liquid assets and/or line of credit, net of current commitments.

- (e) Tenderer must have a local agent. The local agent of the Tenderer must have at least three (03) years proven experience in providing warranty and post warranty support services. The local agent's relationship with the successful Tenderer has to be formally established by the time of contract signature. The agreement signed between the agent and the vendor must specify the responsibilities of the agent and the vendor.
3. Interested eligible Tenderers may obtain further information from *Dr. Md. Abdur Rouf, Deputy Project Director, VAT and Supplementary Duty Act, 2012 Implementation Project, National Board of Revenue, Room No. 524 (fourth floor), 1 Shegunbagicha, Dhaka-1000, Bangladesh, Phone: 00 88 02 9352532 (off), 00 88 01673 770617 (mobile), Fax: 00 88 02 8316143, 00 88 02 8311337, E-Mail: roufcus@yahoo.com; [abdur.rouf@nbr.gov.bd](mailto:abdur.rouf@nbr.gov.bd)* and inspect the tender documents at the address given above from *09:00am to 05:00pm*. [A pre-tender meeting which potential tenderers may attend will be held on **27.11.2013**
  4. A hard copy of the tender documents could be purchased by interested Tenderers on submission of a written application to the address above and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **BDT 10,000.00 (Taka ten thousand only)**. The method of payment will be Pay Order. The document(s) will be sent by courier or can be taken in person.
  5. Tender must be delivered to the address mentioned in paragraph 3 above at or before **12:30 pm, 22 December, 2013**. Late tenders will be rejected. Tenders will be opened in the presence of Tenderers' representatives who choose to attend at the address above at **01:00 pm on 22 December 2013**.
  6. The attention of prospective Tenderers is drawn to (i) the fact that they will be required to certify in their tenders that all software is either covered by a valid license or was produced by the Tenderer and (ii) that violations are considered fraud, which can result in ineligibility to be awarded the contracts.

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