# EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY CIVIL AVIATION SAFETY AND SECURITY OVERSIGHT AGENCY



# **Bidding Document**

# for the

# **Procurement of Non-Consultancy Services**

# **OPEN BIDDING**

Subject of Procurement: "TENDER FOR THE PROVISION OF GROUP LIFE ASSURANCE SERVICES (LOT 1), ASSETS AND GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE SERVICES- (LOT 2), OUTSIDE CATERING SERVICES (LOT3) AND TICKETING AND AIR TRAVEL SERVICES (LOT 4)

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Standard Bidding Document for Procurement of Non-Consultancy Services under Open and Open Bidding.

# **Standard Bidding Document**

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#### Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

#### Dear All,

#### RE: <u>TENDER FOR PROVISION OF VARIOUS SERVICES TO EAC CASSOA-ENTEBBE</u>

The East African Community-Civil Aviation Safety and Security Oversight Agency (EAC CASSOA) invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the following services for a period of Three (3) years for FY 2024/2025, 2025/2026 and 2026/2027, renewable annually subject to satisfactory annual performance.

The subject of the tender is the Provision by the Service Providers of the following Services namely:

#### **SERVICES**

- LOT 01: PROVISION OF GROUP LIFE ASSURANCE SERVICES (GLA)
- LOT 02: ASSETS AND GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE SERVICES (GPA)
- LOT 03: OUSTIDE CATERING SERVICES
- LOT 04: TICKETING AND AIR TRAVEL SERVICES

#### (The TORs are clearly defined in Section 6 -Statement of Requirements)

- **1.** Bidding will be conducted in accordance with the Open Bidding method contained in the EAC-CASSOA Procurement Manual (2017).
- 2. EAC-CASSOA now invites Bidders to submit Bids for the Provision of Various Services to EAC CASSOA -Lot 1: Group Life Assurance Services, Lot 2: Assets and Group Life Insurance Services, Lot 3: Outside Catering Services and Lot 4: Ticketing and Air Travel Services: More details on the Related Services are provided in the statement of Requirements.
- **3.** This letter of invitation is open to **all eligible suppliers**
- **4.** Clarifications or any changes or modifications will be communicated accordingly on the EAC CASSOA Website: <u>www.cassoa.org</u>
- 5. The deadline for submission of bids is: <u>Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 11:00 am local time</u>. Late submissions will be rejected.
- 6. Bidders should submit their Bids physically to the EAC CASSOA Entebbe Tender Box. Bids will be opened publicly in the Presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the Address below at 11:15 a.m. on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024 in the EAC-CASSOA Boardroom. A bid opening report shall thereafter be circulated to the emails of all participating bidders. Late Bids shall be rejected.

#### **ADDRESS**

Attention: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Street Address: EAC-CASSOA Street: CIRCULAR ROAD Plot: 41/43 P. O Box No: 873 Town/City: ENTEBBE Country: UGANDA Email: Procurement@cassoa.org (Email for Clarification only)

7. The planned procurement schedule (subject to changes) is as follows:

Activity	Estimated Date		
<b>a.</b> Issue invitation to bid	22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2024		
<b>b.</b> Pre bid meeting/site visit	Not Applicable		
c. Bid Submission closing Date; Time	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 11:00am		
d. Bid opening date; time	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 11:15 am		
e. Evaluation process	(Within 15 to 20 days from Bid closing)		
f. Communication of evaluated bidder	(Within 5 working days from		
and regret to bidders	Procurement Committee Award)		

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# **Section 1. Instructions to Bidders**

## A. General

#### 1. Scope of Bid

- 1.1 EAC CASSOA invites bids for the provision of the Services specified in Section 6, Statement of Requirements to commence on the date indicated on the BDS.
- 1.2 The Instructions to Bidders (ITB) should be read in conjunction with the BDS. The subject and procurement reference number and inputs to be provided by EAC CASSOA are provided in the SCC.
- 1.3 Throughout this Bidding Document:
  - (a) the term "in writing" means communicated in written form with proof of receipt;
  - (b) if the context so requires, singular means plural and vice versa; and

- (c) "day" means working day,
- 1.4 Procurement will be undertaken in compliance with the provisions of the EAC CASSOA Procurement & Procedures Manual 2017.

#### 2. Source of Funds

- 2.1 EAC CASSOA has an approved budget and intends to use these funds to place a contract for which this Bidding Document is issued.
- 2.2 Payments will be made directly by EAC CASSOA and will be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of the resulting contract.

#### 3. Corrupt Practices

- 3.1 It is EAC CASSOA's policy to require that Bidders and Providers observe the highest standards of ethics during procurement and the execution of procurement. In pursuit of this policy, EAC CASSOA
  - (a) defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
    - (i) "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value, to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and
    - (ii) "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
    - (iii)"collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
    - (iv)"coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
  - (b) will reject a recommendation for award if it determines that the Bidder recommended for award has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the Contract;
  - (c) will suspend a Provider from engaging in any public procurement proceeding for a stated period of time, if it at any time determines that the Provider has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing, any contract.
- 3.2 Furthermore, Bidders shall be aware of the provision stated in Clause 2.2, 2.3 and 14.1(g)-(h) of the General Conditions of Contract.
- 3.3 In pursuit of the policy defined in Sub-Clause 3.1, EAC CASSOA may terminate a contract if at any time determines that corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices were engaged in by representatives of EAC CASSOA or of a Bidder or Provider during the procurement or the execution of that contract.
- 3.4 In pursuit of the policy defined in Sub-clause 3.1, EAC CASSOA requires representatives of both EAC CASSOA and of Bidders and Providers to adhere to the relevant codes of ethical conduct. The Code of Ethical Conduct for Bidders and Providers as provided in the bidding forms shall be signed by the Bidder and submitted together with the other bidding forms.

- 3.5 In pursuit of the policy defined in Sub-clause 3.1, EAC CASSOA may suspend a provider from engaging in any EAC CASSOA procurement process for a period determined by the EAC CASSOA, where the provider is debarred from the procurement processes of an international organization or any of the Partner States.
- 3.6 Any communications between a Bidder and EAC CASSOA related to matters of alleged fraud or corruption must be made in writing and addressed to the Executive Director.

#### 4. Eligible Bidders

- 4.1 A Bidder, and all parties constituting the Bidder, shall meet the following criteria to be eligible to participate in public procurement:
  - (a) the bidder has the legal capacity to enter into a contract;
  - (b) the bidder is not:
    - (i) insolvent;
    - (ii) in receivership;
    - (iii) bankrupt; or
    - (iv) being wound up
  - (c) the bidder's business activities have not been suspended;
  - (d) the bidder is not the subject of legal proceedings for any of the circumstances in (b); and
  - (e) the bidder has fulfilled his or her obligations to pay taxes and social security contributions.
- 4.2 A Bidder may be a natural person, private entity, government-owned entity, subject to ITB Sub-Clause 4.6, or any combination of them with a formal intent to enter into an agreement or under an existing agreement in the form of a joint venture, consortium, or association. In the case of a joint venture, consortium, or association, all parties shall be jointly and severally liable. For bids submitted by an existing or intended JV, a Power of Attorney from each member of the JV nominating a Representative in the JV and a Power of Attorney from the JV nominating a representative who shall have the authority to conduct all business for and on behalf of any and all the parties of the JV during the bidding process and, in the event the JV is awarded the Contract, during contract execution.
- 4.3 A Bidder, and all parties constituting the Bidder including sub-contractors shall have the nationality of an eligible country, in accordance with Section 5, Eligible Countries. A Bidder shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Bidder is a citizen or is constituted, incorporated, or registered and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country. This criterion shall also apply to the determination of the nationality of proposed subcontractors for any part of the Contract including related works or supplies.
- 4.4 A Bidder shall not have a conflict of interest. All Bidders found to be in conflict of interest shall be disqualified. A Bidder may be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding process, if they:
  - (a) have controlling shareholders in common; or
  - (b) receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from any of them; or

- (c) have the same legal representative for purposes of this bid; or
- (d) have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties, that puts them in a position to have access to information about or influence on the bid of another Bidder, or influence the decisions of EAC CASSOA regarding this bidding process; or
- (e) submit more than one bid in this bidding process. However, this does not limit the participation of subcontractors in more than one bid, or as Bidders and subcontractors simultaneously.
- 4.5 A firm that is under a declaration of suspension by EAC CASSOA, at the date of the deadline for bid submission or thereafter before contract signature, shall be disqualified.
- 4.6 Government-owned enterprises shall be eligible only if they can establish that they are legally and financially autonomous and operate under commercial law.
- 4.7 Bidders shall provide such evidence of their continued eligibility satisfactory to EAC CASSOA, as EAC CASSOA shall reasonably request. All related supplies and staff employed under the contract shall have their origin or nationality in an eligible country.

#### 5. Qualification of the Bidder

- 5.1 To establish its qualifications to perform the Contract, the Bidder shall complete and submit:
  - (a) the Qualification Form provided in Section 4, Bidding Forms; and
  - (b) the information and documents stated in Section 3, Evaluation Methodology and Criteria.
- 5.2 The qualifications of the best evaluated Bidder will be assessed as part of a postqualification in accordance with ITB Clause 36.
- 5.3 In the event that pre-qualification of potential Bidders has been undertaken, only bids from pre-qualified Bidders will be considered for award of Contract. These qualified Bidders should submit with their bids any information updating their original pre-qualification applications or, alternatively, confirm in their bids that the originally submitted pre-qualification information remains essentially correct as of the date of bid submission. The update or confirmation should be provided in the Qualification Form.

# **B.** Bidding Document

#### 6. Contents of Bidding Document

6.1 The Bidding Document consists of Parts 1, 2, and 3, which include all the Sections indicated below, and should be read in conjunction with any addenda issued in accordance with ITB Clause 8.

#### PART 1 Bidding Procedures

- Section 1. Instructions to Bidders
- Section 2. Bid Data Sheet
- Section 3. Evaluation Methodology and Criteria
- Section 4. Bidding Forms
- Section 5. Eligible Countries

#### PART 2 Statement of Requirements

• Section 6. Statement of Requirements

#### PART 3 Contract

- Section 7. General Conditions of Contract (GCC) for the Procurement of Non-Consultancy Services
- Section 8. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC)
- Section 9. Contract Forms
- 6.2 The Bid Notice, Pre-qualification Notice or letter of invitation is not part of the Bidding Document.
- 6.3 Bidders who did not obtain the Bidding Document directly from EAC CASSOA (website) will be rejected during evaluation. Where Bidding Document are obtained from EAC CASSOA on a Bidder's behalf, the Bidder's name must be registered with EAC CASSOA at the time of sale and issue.
- 6.4 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and requirements in the Bidding Document. Failure to furnish all information or documentation required by the Bidding Document may result in the rejection of the bid.
- 6.5 Where an electronic copy of the bidding document is issued, the paper or hard copy of the bidding document is the original version. In the event of any discrepancy between the two, the hard copy shall prevail.

#### 7. Clarification of Bidding Document

7.1 A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Document shall contact EAC CASSOA in writing at the EAC CASSOA's address indicated in the BDS. EAC CASSOA will respond in writing to any request for clarification, provided that such request is received no later than the date indicated in the BDS. EAC CASSOA shall forward copies of its response to all Bidders who have acquired the Bidding Document directly from it, including a description of the inquiry but without identifying its source. Should EAC CASSOA deem it necessary to amend the Bidding Document as a result of a clarification, it shall do so following the procedure under ITB Clause 8.

#### 8. Amendment of Bidding Document

- 8.1 At any time prior to the deadline for submission of bids, EAC CASSOA may amend the Bidding Document by issuing addenda.
- 8.2 Any addendum issued shall be part of the Bidding Document and shall be communicated in writing to all who have obtained the Bidding Document directly from EAC CASSOA.
- 8.3 To give prospective Bidders reasonable time in which to take an addendum into account in preparing their bids, EAC CASSOA may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids, pursuant to ITB Clause 8.

# C. Preparation of Bids

#### 9. Cost of Bidding

9.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of its bid, including any negotiations with or visits to EAC CASSOA, and EAC CASSOA shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the

bidding process.

#### 10. Language of Bid

- 10.1 The medium of communication shall be in writing unless otherwise specified in the BDS.
- 10.2 The bid, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the bid exchanged by the Bidder and EAC CASSOA, shall be written in English unless otherwise specified in the BDS.
- 10.3 Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the bid may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in the language specified in ITB Sub-Clause 10.2, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the bid, such translation shall govern.

#### **11. Preparation of Bids**

- 11.1 Bidders are required to prepare and submit a single bid containing both technical and financial information (one stage one envelope).
- 11.2 A pre-bid meeting will be held where indicated in the BDS. Attendance at the pre-bid meeting is optional.

#### 12. Documents Comprising the Bid

- **12.1** The bid shall comprise the following:
  - (a) the Bid Submission Sheet, in accordance with ITB Clause 13, 14 and 15;
  - (b) a Bid Security or a Bid Securing Declaration, in accordance with ITB Clause 19;
  - (c) written confirmation authorising the signatory of the bid to commit the Bidder, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 20.2;
  - (d) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clause 16 establishing the Bidder's eligibility to bid;
  - (e) documentary evidence in accordance with ITB Clause 5 establishing the Bidder's qualifications to perform the contract if its bid is accepted;
  - (f) The Code of Ethical Conduct for Bidders and Providers in accordance with ITB Clause 3.4; and
  - (g) any other document(s) required in the BDS.

#### 13. Bid Submission Sheet and price schedules

- 13.1 The Bidder shall submit the Bid Submission Sheet using the form provided in Section 4, Bidding Forms. This form must be completed without any alterations to its format, and no substitutes shall be accepted. All blank spaces shall be filled in with the information requested, which includes:
  - (a) the Procurement Reference Number of the Bidding Document and the number of each addenda received;
  - (b) a brief description of the Services offered;
  - (c) the total bid price;

- (d) any discounts offered and the methodology for their application;
- (e) the period of validity of the bid;
- (f) a commitment to submit any Performance Security required and the amount;
- (g) a declaration that the Bidder is eligible to participate in public procurement;
- (h) a declaration of nationality of the Bidder and of any eligibility for a margin of preference;
- (h) a commitment to adhere to the Code of Ethical Conduct for Bidders and Providers;
- (i) a declaration that the Bidder, including all parties comprising the Bidder, is not participating, as a Bidder, in more than one bid in this bidding process;
- (j) confirmation that the Bidder has not been suspended by the EAC CASSOA or any other relevant authority;
- (k) a declaration on commissions and gratuities; and
- (l) an authorised signature.
- 13.2 The Bidder shall submit the Price Schedule for Services, using the format provided in Section 4, Bidding Forms. The Price Schedule shall include, as appropriate:
  - (a) a brief description of the Services to be performed;
  - (b) the unit prices where applicable;
  - (c) local taxes paid or payable in their country;
  - (d) the total price per line item;
  - (e) subtotals and totals per Price Schedule; and
  - (f) an authorised signature.

#### 14. Bid Prices and Discounts

- 14.1 The price to be quoted in the Bid Submission Sheet, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 13.1(c) shall be the total price of the bid, excluding any discounts offered.
- 14.2 The Bidder shall quote any unconditional and conditional discounts and the methodology for their application in the Bid Submission Sheet, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 13.1(d).
- 14.3 Prices quoted by the Bidder shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of the Contract and not subject to variation on any account, unless otherwise specified in the BDS. A bid submitted with an adjustable price quotation shall be treated as non-responsive and shall be rejected, pursuant to ITB Clause 31.

#### 15. Currencies of Bid

15.1 Unless otherwise specified in the BDS, bid prices shall be quoted in United States Dollars.

#### 16. Documents Establishing the Eligibility of the Bidder

16.1 To establish their eligibility in accordance with ITB Clause 4, Bidders shall complete the eligibility declarations in the Bid Submission Sheet, included in Section 4, Bidding Forms and submit the documents required in Section 3, Evaluation Methodology and

Criteria.

#### **17. Documents Establishing the Qualifications of the Bidder**

- 17.1 To establish its qualifications to perform the Contract, the Bidder shall submit the evidence indicated for each qualification criteria specified in Section 3, Evaluation Methodology and Criteria.
- 17.2 Bidders with a current registration with the EAC CASSOA are not required to submit:
  - (a) a copy of the bidder's current trading licence or equivalent;
  - (b) a copy of the bidder's certificate of registration or equivalent.

But should include details of their registration number in the bid submission sheet.

#### 18. Period of Validity of Bids

- 18.1 Bids shall remain valid until the date specified in the BDS. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected by EAC CASSOA as non-compliant.
- 18.2 EAC CASSOA will make its best effort to complete the procurement process within this period.
- 18.3 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the bid validity period, EAC CASSOA may request Bidders to extend the period of validity of their bids. The request and the responses shall be made in writing. If a Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration is requested in accordance with ITB Clause 19, it shall also be extended for a corresponding period. A Bidder may refuse the request without forfeiting its Bid Security or being liable for suspension in case of a Bid Securing Declaration. A Bidder granting the request shall not be required or permitted to modify its bid.

#### **19. Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration**

- 19.1 The Bidder shall furnish as part of its bid, a Bid Security or a Bid-Securing Declaration, if required, as specified in the BDS.
- 19.2 The Bid Security shall be in the amount specified in the BDS and denominated in United States Dollars, and shall:
  - (a) at the bidder's option, be in the form of either a letter of credit, or a bank guarantee, or Bank draft or Cashier's Check from a banking institution;
  - (b) be issued by a reputable financial institution selected by the bidder from an eligible country. If the institution issuing the security is located outside Uganda, it shall have a correspondent financial institution located in Uganda to make it enforceable;
  - (c) be substantially in accordance with one of the forms of Bid Security included in Section 4, Bidding Forms;
  - (d) be payable promptly upon written demand by EAC CASSOA in case the conditions listed in ITB Clause 19.6are invoked;
  - (e) be submitted in its original form copies will not be accepted.
- 19.3 The Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration shall be submitted using the forms

included in Section 4, Bidding Forms and shall remain valid until the date specified in the BDS.

- 19.4 Any bid not accompanied by a substantially responsive Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration, if one is required in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 21.1, shall be rejected by EAC CASSOA as non-compliant.
- 19.5 The Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration of all Bidders shall be returned as promptly as possible once the successful Bidder has signed the Contract and provided the required Performance Security where applicable or upon request by the unsuccessful bidder after publication of the notice of best evaluated bidder.
- 19.6 If a Bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Submission Sheet, except as provided in ITB Sub-Clause 18.3; or

If the successful Bidder fails to:

- (a) sign the Contract in accordance with ITB Clause 39;
- (b) furnish any Performance Security in accordance with ITB Clause 41; or
- (c) accept the correction of its bid price pursuant to ITB Sub-Clause 29.5.

The Bid Security may be forfeited or Bid Securing Declaration executed.

#### 20. Format and Signing of Bid

- 20.1 The Bidder shall prepare one original of each of the documents comprising the bid as described in ITB Clauses 11 and 12 and clearly marked "ORIGINAL". In addition, the Bidder shall submit copies of the bid, in the number specified in the BDS and clearly mark each of them "COPY". In the event of any discrepancy between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.
- 20.2 The original and all copies of the bid shall be typed or written in indelible ink and shall be signed by a person duly authorised to sign on behalf of the Bidder. This authorisation shall consist of a Power of Attorney which shall be notarized attached to the bid. The name and position held by each person signing the authorisation must be typed or printed below the signature. All pages of the bid, except for unamended printed literature, shall be signed or initialled by the person signing the bid.
- 20.3 Any interlineations, erasures, or overwriting shall be valid only if they are signed or initialled by the person signing the bid.

## **D** Submission and Opening of Bids

#### 21. Sealing and Marking of Bids

- 21.1 The Bidder shall enclose the original and each copy of the bid, in separate sealed envelopes, duly marking the envelopes as "ORIGINAL" and "COPY." These envelopes containing the original and the copies shall then be enclosed in one single plain envelope securely sealed in such a manner that opening and resealing cannot be achieved undetected.
- 21.2 The inner and outer envelopes shall:
  - (a) bear the name and address of the Bidder;
  - (b) be addressed to EAC CASSOA in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 22.1;

- (c) bear the Procurement Reference number of this bidding process; and
- (d) bear a warning not to open before the time and date for bid opening.
- 21.3 If all envelopes are not sealed and marked as required, EAC CASSOA will assume no responsibility for the misplacement or premature opening of the bid.

#### 22. Deadline for Submission of Bids

- 22.1 Bids must be received by EAC CASSOA at the address and no later than the date and time indicated in the BDS.
- 22.2 EAC CASSOA may, at its discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids by amending the Bidding Document in accordance with ITB Clause 8, in which case all rights and obligations of EAC CASSOA and Bidders previously subject to the deadline shall thereafter be subject to the deadline as extended.

#### 23. Late Bids

23.1 EAC CASSOA shall not consider any bid that arrives after the deadline for submission of bids, in accordance with ITB Clause 22. Any bid received by EAC CASSOA after the deadline for submission of bids shall be declared late, rejected, and returned unopened to the Bidder.

#### 24. Withdrawal and Replacement of Bids

- 24.1 A Bidder may withdraw or replace its bid after it has been submitted at any time before the deadline for submission of bids by sending a written notice, duly signed by an authorised representative, which shall include a copy of the authorisation in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 20.2. Any corresponding replacement of the bid must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be:
  - (a) submitted in accordance with ITB Clauses 21 and 22 (except that withdrawals notices do not require copies), and in addition, the respective envelopes shall be clearly marked "WITHDRAWAL" or "REPLACEMENT" and
  - (b) received by EAC CASSOA prior to the deadline prescribed for submission of bids, in accordance with ITB Clause 22.
- 24.2 Bids requested to be withdrawn in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 24.1 shall be returned unopened to the Bidder.
- 24.3 No bid may be withdrawn or replaced in the interval between the deadline for submission of bids and the expiration of the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder on the Bid Submission Sheet or any extension thereof.
- 24.4 Bids may only be modified by withdrawal of the original bid and submission of a replacement bid in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 24.1. Modifications submitted in any other way shall not be taken into account in the evaluation of bids.

## 25. Bid Opening

- 25.1 EAC CASSOA shall conduct the bid opening in the presence of Bidders` designated representatives who choose to attend, at the address, date and time specified in the BDS.
- 25.2 First, envelopes marked "WITHDRAWAL" shall be opened and read out and the envelope with the corresponding bid shall not be opened, but returned to the Bidder. No bid withdrawal shall be permitted unless the corresponding withdrawal notice contains a

valid authorisation to request the withdrawal and is read out at the bid opening.

- 25.3 All other outer envelopes including those marked "REPLACEMENT" shall be opened and the technical bids within them opened. Replacement bids shall be recorded as such on the record of the bid opening.
- 25.4 All bids shall be opened one at a time, reading out: the name of the Bidder; the presence of a Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration, if required the total bid price and any discounts; and any other details as EAC CASSOA may consider appropriate. No bid shall be rejected at the bid opening except for late bids, in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 23.1.
- 25.5 Only envelopes that are opened and read out at the bid opening shall be considered further.
- 25.6 EAC CASSOA shall prepare a record of the bid opening that shall include, as a minimum: the name of the Bidder, whether there is a withdrawal and/or replacement, the bid price and the presence or absence of a Bid Security, where required. The Bidders' representatives who are present shall be requested to sign the record. The omission of a Bidder's signature on the record shall not invalidate the contents and effect of the record. A copy of the record shall be distributed to Bidders upon payment of a fee and displayed on EAC CASSOA's website within one working day from the date of the bid Opening.

# E. Evaluation of Bids

#### 26. Confidentiality

- 26.1 EAC CASSOA shall not disclose to a bidder or to any other person who is not involved in the preparation of the solicitation documents, the evaluation process or the award decision, any information relating to-
  - (a) solicitation documents, before the solicitation documents are officially issued;
  - (b) the examination, clarification, evaluation and comparison of bids before the best evaluated bidder notice is displayed.
- 26.2 Any effort by a Bidder to influence EAC CASSOA in the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post-qualification of the bids or contract award decisions may result in the rejection of its bid.
- 26.3 Notwithstanding ITB Sub-Clause 26.2, from the time of bid opening to the time of Contract award, if any Bidder wishes to contact EAC CASSOA on any matter related to the bidding process, it should do so in writing.

## 27. Clarification of Bids

27.1 To assist in the examination, evaluation, comparison and post-qualification of the bids, EAC CASSOA may, at its discretion, ask any Bidder for a clarification of its bid. Any clarification submitted by a Bidder that is not in response to a request by EAC CASSOA shall not be considered. EAC CASSOA's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. The request for clarification shall be copied to all bidders for information purposes. No change in the price or substance of the bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to confirm the correction of arithmetic errors discovered by EAC CASSOA in the evaluation of the financial bids, in accordance with ITB Clause 29.4.

#### 28. Compliance and Responsiveness of Bids

28.1 EAC CASSOA's determination of a bid's compliance and responsiveness is to be based

on the contents of the bid itself.

- 28.2 A substantially compliant and responsive bid is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, and requirements of the Bidding Document without material deviation, reservation, or omission. A material deviation, reservation, or omission is one that:
  - (a) affects in a substantial way, the scope or quality of the supplies or services or the performance of the works to be procured;
  - (b) is inconsistent with the bidding document and which may in a substantial way, limit the rights of EAC CASSOA or the obligations of the bidder under the contract;
  - (c) if corrected would unfairly affect the competitive position of the other bidders whose bids are administratively compliant and responsive; or
  - (d) impacts the key factors of a procurement including cost, risk, time and quality and causes -
    - (i) unacceptable time schedules, where it is stated in the bidding document that time is of the essence;
    - (ii) unacceptable alternative technical details, such as design, materials, workmanship, specifications, standards or methodologies; or
    - (iii) unacceptable counter-bids with respect to key contract terms and conditions, such as payment terms, price adjustment, liquidated damages, sub-contracting or warranty.
- 28.3 If a bid is not substantially compliant and responsive to the Bidding Document, it shall be rejected by EAC CASSOA and may not subsequently be made compliant and responsive by the Bidder by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.

#### 29. Nonconformities, Errors, and Omissions

- 29.1 Provided that a bid is substantially compliant and responsive, EAC CASSOA may waive any non-conformity or omission in the bid that does not constitute a material deviation.
- 29.2 Provided that a bid is substantially compliant and responsive, EAC CASSOA may request that the Bidder submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period of time, to rectify nonmaterial nonconformities or omissions in the bid related to documentation requirements. Such omission shall not be related to any aspect of the price of the bid. Failure of the Bidder to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its bid.
- 29.3 Provided that a bid is substantially compliant and responsive, EAC CASSOA shall rectify nonmaterial nonconformities or omissions. To this effect, the bid price shall be adjusted, for comparison purposes only, to reflect the price of the missing or non-conforming item or component.
- 29.4 Provided that the bid is substantially compliant and responsive, EAC CASSOA shall correct arithmetic errors on the following basis:
  - (a) if there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the total price that is obtained by multiplying the unit price and quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the total price shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of EAC CASSOA there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit price, in which case the total price as quoted shall govern and the unit price shall be corrected;
  - (b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; and

- (c) if there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail, unless the amount expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail subject to (a) and (b) above.
- 29.5 If the Bidder that submitted the best evaluated bid does not accept the correction of errors, its bid shall be rejected and its Bid Security may be forfeited or Bid Securing Declaration executed.

#### **30.** Preliminary Examination of Bids – Eligibility and Administrative Compliance

- 30.1 EAC CASSOA shall examine the legal documentation and other information submitted by Bidders to verify the eligibility of Bidders in accordance with ITB Clause 4.
- 30.2 If after the examination of eligibility, EAC CASSOA determines that the Bidder is not eligible, it shall reject the bid.
- 30. EAC CASSOA shall examine the bids to confirm that all documents and technical documentation requested in ITB Clause 12 have been provided, and to determine the completeness of each document submitted.
- 30.4 EAC CASSOA shall confirm that the following documents and information have been provided in the bid. If any of these documents or information is missing, the offer shall be rejected.
  - (a) the Bid Submission Sheet, including:
    - (i) a brief description of the Services offered;
    - (ii) the price of the bid; and
    - (iii) the validity date of the bid;
  - (b) the Price Schedule;
  - (c) written confirmation of authorisation to commit the Bidder;
  - (d) a Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration, if applicable; and
  - (e) samples as may be required

#### **31. Detailed Commercial and Technical Evaluation**

- 31.1 EAC CASSOA shall examine the bid to confirm that all terms, conditions and requirements of the bidding document have been accepted by the Bidder without any material deviation or reservation.
- 31.2 If, after the examination of the terms, conditions and requirements, EAC CASSOA determines that the bid is not substantially responsive in accordance with ITB Clause 28, it shall reject the bid.

#### **32.** Conversion to Single Currency

32.1 For evaluation and comparison purposes, EAC CASSOA shall convert all bid prices expressed in amounts in various currencies into a single currency, using the selling exchange rate established by the source and on the date specified in the BDS.

#### **33. Margin of Preference**

33.1 Unless otherwise specified in the BDS, a margin of preference shall apply. Where a Margin of Preference applies, its application and detail shall be specified in Section 3,

Evaluation Methodology and Criteria.

- 33.2 For the purpose of granting a margin of domestic preference, bids will be classified in one of three groups, as follows:
  - (a) Group A: bids from providers incorporated or registered in EAC where more than fifty percent of the bidder's capital is owned by EAC nationals;
  - (b) Group B: bids from joint ventures or associations registered in EAC and including a provider qualifying under the conditions in paragraph (a) which holds more than fifty percent beneficiary interest in the joint venture or association; and
  - (c) Group C: all other bids which do not qualify for preference under paragraphs (a) or (b).
- 33.3 Bidders claiming eligibility for a Margin of Preference must complete the declarations in the bid submission sheet and provide documentary evidence of their eligibility in accordance with paragraphs 33.2 (a) or (b) above.

#### 34. Financial Comparison of Bids

- 34.1 EAC CASSOA shall financially evaluate each bid that has been determined, up to this stage of the evaluation, to be substantially compliant and responsive.
- 34.2 To financially evaluate a bid, EAC CASSOA shall only use the criteria and methodologies defined in this Clause and in Section 3, Evaluation Methodology and Criteria. No other criteria or methodology shall be permitted.
- 34.3 To financially compare bids, EAC CASSOA shall:
  - (a) determine the bid price, taking into account the costs listed in Section 3, Evaluation Methodology and Criteria;
  - (b) correct any arithmetic errors in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 29.4;
  - (c) apply any unconditional discounts offered in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 13.1(d);
  - (d) make adjustments for any nonmaterial nonconformities and omissions in accordance with ITB Sub-Clause 29.3;
  - (e) convert all bids to a single currency in accordance with ITB Clause 32;
  - (f) apply any margin of preference in accordance with ITB Clause 33; and
  - (g) determine the total evaluated price of each bid.

#### **35.** Determination of Best Evaluated Bid(s)

35.1 EAC CASSOA shall compare all substantially compliant and responsive bids to determine the best evaluated bid or bids, in accordance with Section 3, Evaluation Methodology and Criteria.

#### **36.** Post-qualification of the Bidder

36.1 EAC CASSOA shall determine to its satisfaction whether the Bidder that is selected as having submitted the best evaluated bid is qualified to perform the Contract

satisfactorily.

- 36.2 The determination shall be based upon an examination of the documentary evidence of the Bidder's qualifications submitted by the Bidder, pursuant to ITB Clause 5, to clarifications in accordance with ITB Clause 27 and the qualification criteria indicated in Section 3, Evaluation Methodology and Criteria. Factors not included in Section 3 shall not be used in the evaluation of the Bidder's qualifications.
- 36.3 An affirmative determination shall be a prerequisite for award of the Contract to the Bidder. A negative determination shall result in disqualification of the bid, in which event EAC CASSOA shall proceed to the next best evaluated bid to make a similar determination of that Bidder's capabilities to perform satisfactorily.
- 36.4 If pre-qualification has been conducted, no post-qualification will be conducted but prequalification information shall be verified.

## F. Award of Contract

#### **37. Award Procedure**

- 37.1 EAC CASSOA shall issue a Notice of Best Evaluated Bidder within five (5) days after the decision of the Procurement Committee to award a contract, place such a Notice on its website for a prescribed period.
- 37.2 No contract shall be signed for a period of at least ten (10) working days after the date of display of the Best Evaluated Bidder.
- 37.3 EAC CASSOA shall award the Contract to the Bidder whose offer has been determined to be the best evaluated bid, provided that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily and subject to satisfactory negotiations.
- 37.4 Negotiations will only be held in exceptional circumstances as provided for under the EAC CASSOA Procurement Policy and Procedures Manual, 2017.

#### 38. EAC CASSOA's Right to Accept or Reject Any or All Bids

38.1 EAC CASSOA reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the bidding process and reject all bids at any time prior to contract signature and issue by the EAC CASSOA, without thereby incurring any liability to Bidders.

#### **39. Signing and Effectiveness of Contract**

- 39.1 On expiry of the ten (10) working day period after the display of the Best Evaluated Bidder, EAC CASSOA shall sign a contract with the successful Bidder.
- 39.2 Failure by the successful Bidder to sign the contract shall constitute sufficient ground for annulment of the contract award.
- 39.3 Effectiveness of the contract shall be subject to submission of a satisfactory Performance Security where applicable and any other conditions specified in the Contract.

#### 40. Debriefing

40.1 Where a bidder requests for information on the reasons for the success or failure of their bid, EAC CASSOA shall promptly give the Bidder a written debrief after the signing of the contract.

#### 41. Performance Security

- 41.1 Within twenty-one (21) days of signing of the contract, the successful Bidder shall where applicable, furnish to EAC CASSOA a Performance Security in the amount stipulated in the SCC and in the form of on demand Bank Guarantee as stipulated in Section 9, denominated in the type and proportions of currencies of the Contract. The performance security shall be issued by a Bank located in Uganda or a foreign Bank through correspondence with a Bank located in Uganda. On demand insurance bonds with proof of re-insurance, in the format included in Section 9 (contract forms) can be accepted.
- 41.2 Failure of the successful Bidder to submit the above-mentioned Performance Security shall constitute sufficient ground for annulment of the contract award. In this case, or where the successful Bidder fails to sign the contract in accordance with ITB Clause 39.2, the successful Bidder's Bid Security may be forfeited or the Bidder may be suspended by EAC CASSOA from participating in EAC CASSOA procurement processes under the terms of its Bid Securing Declaration. In that event, EAC CASSOA may award the Contract to the next best evaluated Bidder.

#### 42. Advance Payment and Security

42.1 If so stated in the BDS, the Employer will provide an Advance Payment on the Contract Price, subject to a maximum amount, as stated in the BDS. This Payment shall be in the same currencies and proportions as the Contract Payment and shall be made in accordance with the GCC. The performance security shall be issued by a Bank located in Uganda or a foreign Bank through correspondence with a Bank located in Uganda. On demand insurance bonds with proof of re-insurance, in the format included in Section 9 (contract forms) can be accepted.

#### 43. Administrative Review

42.1 Bidders may seek an Administrative Review by the Executive Director in accordance with the EAC Procurement Policy and Procedures Manual, 2016 if they are aggrieved with the decision of EAC CASSOA.

# Section 2. Bid Data Sheet

Instructions to Bidders Reference	Data relevant to the ITB				
	A. General				
ITB 1.1	The Buyer is: EAC-CASSOA				
ITB 1.1	<b>Commencement:</b> The assignment is expected to commence on: 1 <sup>ST</sup> JULY 2024				
	For All Lots: LOT 1, LOT 2, LOT 3 and LOT 4				
ITB 1.2	Subject: The subject of the procurement is: PROVISION OF GROUP LIFE ASSURANCE SERVICES (LOT 1), ASSETS AND GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE SERVICES- (LOT 2), OUTSIDE CATERING SERVICES (LOT3) AND TICKETING AND AIR TRAVEL SERVICES (LOT 4)				
ITB 1.2	<b>Reference:</b> The Procurement Reference Number is: CAS/SRVCS/037/2024-2024				
	B. Bidding Document				
ITB 7.1	Clarification: For clarification purposes only EAC CASSOA's address is:				
	Attention: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR				
	Street Address: EAC CASSOA				
	Street: CIRCULAR ROAD				
	Plot: <b>41/43</b>				
	P. O Box No: <b>873</b>				
	Town/City: ENTEBBE				
	Country: UGANDA				
	number: +256 31 22 66930				
	Email: procurement@cassoa.org copy to ebukebuke@cassoa.org				
	EAC CASSOA will respond to any request for clarification provided that such request is received no later than <b>10 days</b> before tender closing date.				
C. Preparation of Bids					
ITB 10.1	<b>Medium:</b> The medium of communication shall be in writing.				
ITB 10.2	Language: The language for the bid is English.				
ITB 11.2	Pre-bid/Site Visit: Not Applicable				

Standard Bidding Document for Procurement of Non-Consultancy Services under Open and Open Bidding.

Instructions to Bidders Reference	Data relevant to the ITB		
	Date: Not Applicable		
	Time: N/A		
	Address for Site Visit Venue: N/A		
	Street Address: CIRCULAR ROAD		
	Plot:		
	Town/City:		
	Country:		
ITB 12.1(f)	Additional bid information: Additional information required in the bid includes: Additional information required in the bid includes: Copy of Tax Identification Number and Current Tax Compliance Certificates, Current VAT Certificate, Power of Attorney, Bid validity, Financial Statements, as required in Section 6 Appendices		
ITB 14.3	<b>Prices:</b> The prices quoted by the Bidder shall be: In accordance with ITB 14.3 (Shall be fixed during the Bidder's performance of the Contract)		
ITB 15.1	Currency: The currency of the bid shall be: UNITED STATES DOLLARS		
	(USD)		
ITB 18.1	Validity Period: Bids shall be valid for at least 90 days.		
ITB 19.1	A Bid Security shall not be required.		
	A Bid Securing Declaration shall be required		
ITB 19.2	[Where a Bid Security is required insert "The amount and currency of the Bid Security shall be [insert the amount and currency required]]. N/A		
ITB 19.3	The Bid Security or Bid Securing Declaration shall be Valid 19th July 2024		
ITB 20.1	Number of Copies: In addition to the Original of the Bid, the number of copies required is: N/A-One Electronic Bid will suffice		
	D. Submission and Opening of Bids		
ITB 22.1	Bid Submission: For Bid submission purposes only, EAC CASSOA's address is:		
	Attention: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR		
	Street Address: EAC CASSOA		
	Street: CIRCULAR ROAD		
	Plot: 41/43		
	P. O Box No: 873		
	Town/City: ENTEBBE		
	Country: UGANDA		

Standard Bidding Document for Procurement of Non-Consultancy Services under Open and Open Bidding.

Instructions to Bidders Reference	Data relevant to the ITB			
	The deadline for bid submission is:			
	Date: Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 Time (local time): 11.00 A.m			
ITB 25.1	<b>Bid Opening:</b> The bid opening shall take place at:			
	Attention: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR			
	Street Address: EAC CASSOA			
	Street: CIRCULAR ROAD			
	Plot: 41/43			
	P. O Box No: 873			
	Town/City: ENTEBBE			
	Country: UGANDA			
	Date: Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024			
	Time (local time) 11:15 Am			
	E. Evaluation of Bids			
ITB 32.1	<b>Conversion to Single Currency</b> : The currency that shall be used for financial comparison purposes to convert all bid prices expressed in various currencies into a single currency is: <b>US Dollars</b>			
	The source of exchange rate shall be: <b>BOU COMESA Exchange Rate</b>			
	The date for the exchange rate shall be: 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024			
ITB 33.1	A margin of preference <b>shall not</b> apply. If a margin of preference applies, the application methodology shall be as stated in Section 3 Evaluation Methodology and Criteria.			
ITB 33.3	The Bidder shall submit with its bid the following documents to evidence that they qualify for a margin of preference: <b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>			
	F. Award of Contract			
ITB 42.1	The Advance Payment shall be limited to percent of the Contract Price. <b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>			

# Part 1: Section 2. Bid Data Sheet

# Section 3.Evaluation Methodology and CriteriaProcurement Reference Number: CAS/SRVCS/037/2024-2024

## A. Evaluation Methodology

#### 1. Methodology Used

1.1 The evaluation methodology to be used for the evaluation of bids received shall be the Technical Compliance Selection (TCS) methodology.

#### 2. Summary of Methodology

- 2.1 The Technical Compliance Selection methodology recommends the lowest priced bid, which is eligible, compliant and substantially responsive to the technical and commercial requirements of the Bidding Document, provided that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to perform the contract satisfactorily.
- 2.2 The evaluation shall be conducted in three sequential stages
  - (a) a preliminary examination to determine the eligibility of bidders and the administrative compliance of bids received;
  - (b) a detailed evaluation to determine the commercial and technical responsiveness of the eligible and compliant bids; and
  - (c) a financial comparison to compare costs of the eligible, compliant, responsive bids received and determine the best evaluated bid.
- 2.3 Failure of a bid at any stage of the evaluation shall prevent further consideration at the next stage of evaluation. Substantial responsiveness shall be considered a pass.

## **B** Preliminary Examination Criteria

#### 3. Eligibility Criteria

- 3.1 The eligibility requirements shall be determined for eligible Bidders in accordance with ITB Clause 4.
- 3.2 The documentation required to provide evidence of eligibility shall be:-
  - (a) proof of registration issued or a copy of the Bidder's Trading licence or equivalent and a copy of the Bidder's Certificate of Registration or equivalent for bidders not currently registered with EAC;
  - (b) a statement in the Bid Submission Sheet that the bidder meets the eligibility criteria stated in ITB 4.1;
  - (c) a declaration in the Bid Submission Sheet of nationality of the Bidder;
  - (d) a declaration that the Bidder is not under suspension by EAC CASSOA, an international organisation or any of the Partner States;
  - (e) fulfilment of obligations to pay taxes and social security contributions in

any of the Partner States where applicable.

#### 4. Administrative Compliance Criteria

4.1 The evaluation of Administrative Compliance shall be conducted in accordance with ITB Sub-Clauses 30.3 and 30.4.

## **C Detailed Evaluation Criteria**

#### 5. Commercial Criteria

- 5.1 The commercial responsiveness of bids shall be evaluated in accordance with ITB Clause 31. The criteria shall be:
  - (a) acceptance of the conditions of the proposed contract;
  - (b) acceptable mobilisation period.

#### 6. Technical Criteria

6.1 Technical responsiveness shall be evaluated in accordance with ITB Clause 31.

6.2 The Terms of Reference detail the minimum technical requirements. Responsiveness is determined by comparison of the specification offered to the specification required in Section 6 and the evaluation is conducted on a pass/fail basis. Substantial responsiveness shall be considered a pass.

# **D** Financial Comparison Criteria

#### 6. Costs to be included in Bid Price

- 6.1 The financial comparison shall be conducted in accordance with ITB Clause 34. The costs to be included in the bid price bid are:
  - (a) the unit and total rates in the Price Schedule;
  - (b) taxes, duties and levies;

## 7. Margin of Preference

- 7.1 If the BDS specifies the application of a margin of preference for the purpose of bid comparison, the following procedures will apply:
- 7.2 EAC CASSOA will first review the bids to confirm the appropriateness of the classification, and to identify the bid group classification of each based upon bidders' declarations in the Bid Submission Sheet and supporting evidence.
- 7.3 EAC CASSOA will then add the following margins to the evaluated bid price, as determined in accordance with paragraph 6.1 above, for the purpose of further comparison only:
  - (a) seven (7) percent of the bid price to all bids in Group C;
  - (b) four (4) percent of the bid price to all bids in Group B.

7.4 The lowest-evaluated bid shall be determined using the adjusted bid prices including added margins.

#### 8. Determination of Best Evaluated Bid or Bids

8.1 The bid with the lowest evaluated price, from among those which are eligible, compliant and substantially responsive shall be the best evaluated bid.

#### **E Post-qualification**

EAC CASSOA shall undertake a post qualification on the Best Evaluated Bidder to confirm whether the best evaluated bidder has the capacity and financial resources to execute the procurement.

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[This Bid Submission Sheet should be on the letterhead of the Bidder and should be signed by a person with the proper authority to sign documents that are binding on the Bidder. It should be included by the Bidder in its bid]

# 1. Bid Submission Sheet

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of bid submission] Procurement Reference No: [insert Procurement Reference number]

#### To: EAC CASSOA

We, the undersigned, declare that:

- (a) We have examined and have no reservations to the Bidding Document, including Addenda No.: [*insert the number and issuing date of each Addenda*];
- (b) We offer to provide the services in conformity with the Bidding Document for the *[insert a brief description of the Services]*;
- (c) The total price of our Bid is: [insert the total bid price in words and figures, indicating the amounts and currency]; This amount is exclusive of local taxes which we have estimated at [insert amount in words and figures];
- (d) Our bid shall be valid until the date specified in ITB Sub-Clause 18.1 which in (*Insert Number of days*).....days and it shall remain binding upon us and may be accepted at any time before that date;
- (e) If our bid is accepted, we commit to obtain a Performance Security in accordance with the Bidding Document where required in the amount of *[insert amount and currency in words and figures of the performance security]* for the due performance of the Contract;
- (f) We, including any subcontractors or providers for any part of the contract resulting from this procurement process, are eligible to participate in public procurement in accordance with ITB Clause 4.1;
- (g) We, including any subcontractors or providers for any part of the contract resulting from this procurement process are registered with the EAC CASSOA (. [Bidders who are not registered or whose subcontractors are not registered should amend the statement to reflect their status];
- (h) We, including any associates or Joint Venture partners for any part of the contract, have nationals from the following eligible countries; *[Insert details]*
- (i) We are eligible for a Margin of Preference in accordance with ITB Clause 33 and are eligible for inclusion in *[insert Group A or Group B as appropriate]* and enclose documentary evidence of our eligibility;

[*or*]

We are not eligible for a Margin of Preference in accordance with ITB Clause 33;

(j) We have signed and undertake to abide by the Code of Ethical Conduct for Bidders and Providers attached during the procurement process and the execution of any resulting contract;

## Part 1: Section 4 Bidding Forms

(k) The following commissions, gratuities, or fees have been paid or are to be paid with respect to the bidding process or execution of the Contract: [*insert complete name of each Recipient, its full address, the reason for which each commission or gratuity was paid and the amount and currency of each such commission or gratuity*];

Name and address of Recipient	Purpose/Reason	Currency and Amount

[If none has been paid or is to be paid, indicate "none"]

- (1) We are not participating, as Bidders, in more than one bid in this bidding process;
- (m) We, including any subcontractors, do not have any conflict of interest as detailed in ITB Clause 4.4;
- (n) We, our affiliates or subsidiaries—including any subcontractors or Providers for any part of the contract—have not been suspended by any relevant Authority in the Partner States from participating in public procurement;
- (o) Our Bid is binding upon us, subject to modifications agreed during any contract negotiations;
- (p) We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest evaluated bid or any other bid that you may receive;

Name: [insert complete name of person signing the Bid]

In the capacity of [insert legal capacity of person signing the bid]

Signed: [signature of person whose name and capacity are shown above]

Duly authorised to sign the bid for and on behalf of: [insert complete name of Bidder]

Dated on \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ [insert date of signing]

# ETHICAL CONDUCT IN BUSINESS FOR BIDDERS AND PROVIDERS

#### 1. Ethical Principles

Bidders and providers shall at all times-

- (a) maintain integrity and independence in their professional judgement and conduct;
- (b) comply with both the letter and the spirit of
  - i. the Procurement Policy and Procedures of EAC; and
  - ii. any contract awarded.
- (c) avoid associations with businesses and organisations which are in conflict with this code.

#### 2. Standards

Bidders and providers shall-

- (a) strive to provide works, services and supplies of high quality and accept full responsibility for all works, services or supplies provided;
- (b) comply with the professional standards of their industry or of any professional body of which they are members.

#### 3. Conflict of Interest

Bidders and providers shall not accept Procurement which would constitute a conflict of interest with, any prior or current contract with any EAC CASSOA. Bidders and providers shall disclose to all concerned parties those conflicts of interest that cannot reasonably be avoided or escaped.

#### 4. Confidentiality and Accuracy of Information

- (1) Information given by bidders and providers in the course of procurement processes or the performance of Procurement shall be true, fair and not designed to mislead.
- (2) Providers shall respect the confidentiality of information received in the course of performance of a contract and shall not use such information for personal gain.

#### 5. Gifts and Hospitality

Bidders and providers shall not offer gifts or hospitality directly or indirectly, to staff of EAC CASSOA that might be viewed by others as having an influence on a government procurement decision.

#### 6. Inducements

- (1) Bidders and providers shall not offer or give anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.
- (2)Bidders and providers shall not ask any EAC CASSOA official to do anything which is inconsistent with the provisions of the EAC Procurement Manual or the Procurement Code of Ethics.

#### 7. Fraudulent Practices

Bidders and providers shall not-

- (a) collude with other businesses and organisations with the intention of depriving EAC CASSOA of the benefits of free and open competition;
- (b) enter into business arrangements that might prevent the effective operation of fair competition;
- (c) engage in deceptive financial practices, such as bribery, double billing or other improper financial practices;
- (d) misrepresent facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of EAC CASSOA; or utter false documents;

- (e) unlawfully obtain information relating to a procurement process in order to influence the process or execution of a contract to the detriment of EAC CASSOA; and
- (f) withholding information from EAC CASSOA during contract execution to the detriment of EAC CASSOA.

I ..... agree to comply with the above code of ethical conduct in business.

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AUTHORISED SIGNATORY

NAME OF BIDDER/PROVIDER

[This Bid Security should be on the letterhead of the issuing Financial Institution and should be signed by a person with the proper authority to sign the Bid Security. It should be included by the Bidder in its bid].

# 2. Bid Security

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of bid submission]

Procurement Reference No.: [insert Procurement Reference Number]

#### To: EAC CASSOA

Whereas [insert complete name of Bidder] (hereinafter "the Bidder") has submitted its bid dated [insert date (as day, month and year] for Procurement Reference number [insert Procurement Reference number] for the supply of [insert brief description of the Services], hereinafter called "the Bid."

KNOW ALL PEOPLE by these presents that WE [insert complete name of institution issuing the Bid Security], of [insert city of domicile and country of nationality] having our registered office at [insert full address of the issuing institution] (hereinafter "the Guarantor"), are bound unto the EAC CASSOA (hereinafter "EAC CASSOA") in the sum of [specify in words the amount and currency of the bid security] [specify the amount and currency in figures], for which payment well and truly to be made to the aforementioned EAC CASSOA, the Guarantor binds itself, its successors or assignees by these presents. Sealed with the Common Seal of this Guarantor this [insert day in numbers] day of [insert month], [insert year].

THE CONDITIONS of this obligation are the following:

- 1. If the Bidder withdraws its bid during the period of bid validity specified by the Bidder in the Bid Submission Sheet, except as provided in ITB Sub-Clause 18.3; or
- 2. If the Bidder, having been notified of the acceptance of its bid by EAC CASSOA, during the period of bid validity, fails or refuses to:
  - (a) sign the Contract in accordance with ITB Clause 39; or
  - (b) furnish the Performance Security, in accordance with the ITB Clause 41; or
  - (c) accept the correction of its bid by EAC CASSOA, pursuant to ITB Clause. 29;

we undertake to pay EAC CASSOA up to the above amount upon receipt of its first written demand, without EAC CASSOA having to substantiate its demand, provided that in its demand EAC CASSOA states that the amount claimed by it is due to it, owing to the occurrence of one or more of the above conditions, specifying the occurred conditions.

This security shall remain in force up to and including *[insert date in accordance with ITB Clause 19.3]*, and any demand in respect thereof should be received by the Guarantor no later than the above date. This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees, ICC Publication No. 758.

Signed: [insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown below]

Name: [insert complete name of person signing the Bid]

In the capacity of [insert legal capacity of person signing the bid]

Duly authorised to sign the bid for and on behalf of: *[insert complete name of Bidder]* 

[Use Bidder's Letterhead] [Name of Bidder] [Physical Address of Bidder]

# 3. Bid-Securing Declaration

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year)] Procurement Reference. No.: [insert Procurement Reference Number]

#### To: EAC CASSOA

We, the undersigned, declare that:

1. We understand that, according to your conditions, bids must be supported by a Bid-Securing Declaration.

2. We accept that we may be suspended for three years by EAC CASSOA from being eligible for bidding in any contract with EAC CASSOA, if we are in breach of our obligation(s) under the bid conditions, because we:

- (a) have withdrawn our bid during the period of bid validity specified by us in the Bid Submission Sheet or
- (b) having been notified of the acceptance of our bid by EAC CASSOA during the period of bid validity (i) fail or refuse to execute the Contract if required or (ii) fail or refuse to furnish the Performance Security in accordance with ITB Clause 41; or (iii) fail or refuse to accept the correction of our bid by EAC CASSOA, pursuant to ITB Clause 29;

3. We understand this Bid Securing Declaration shall remain valid and including *[insert date in accordance with ITB Clause 19.3]* 

Signed: [insert signature of person whose name and capacity are shown] In the capacity of [insert legal capacity of person signing the Bid Securing Declaration]

Name: [insert complete name of person signing the Bid Securing Declaration]

Duly authorized to sign the bid securing declaration for and on behalf of: [insert complete name of Bidder]

Dated on \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ [insert date of signing]

Corporate Seal (where appropriate)

[Note: In case of a Joint Venture, the Bid Securing Declaration must be in the name of all partners to the Joint Venture that submits the bid.]

[This Price Schedule should be signed by a person with the proper authority to sign documents for the Bidder. It should be included by the Bidder in its bid. The Bidder may reproduce this in landscape format but is responsible for its accurate reproduction].

# 4. Price Schedule

Date: [insert date (as day, month and year) of bid submission] Procurement Reference No: [insert Procurement Reference number]

Name of Bidder: [Insert the name of the Bidder]

Activity	Input Qty	Unit of measure	Unit Price	Total Price
Local Taxes				
Total bid price				

Signed:	[signature	of person whose name and capacity are shown below ]
Name:		[insert complete name of person signing the bid]
In the capacity of		[insert legal capacity of person signing the bid]
Duly authorised to		
sign the bid for		
and on behalf of:		[insert complete name of Bidder]
Dated on	day of	, [insert date of signing]

## Part 1: Section 4 Bidding Forms

[This Qualification Form should be submitted for the Bidder. The form should be on the letterhead of the Bidder and should be signed by a person with the proper authority to sign. It should be included by the Bidder in its bid, if so stated in Section 3.

The information will be used for purposes of post-qualification or for verification of prequalification. This information will not be incorporated in the Contract. Attach additional pages as necessary.

*Refer to Section 3, Evaluation Methodology and Criteria for details of the criteria to be met and information to be completed].* 

5. Qualification Form

Name of Bidder:	
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1. The work performed providing Services of a similar nature and value over recent years is: [List also details of Services under way or committed, including expected completion date.]

No	Name of Client and Contact Person	Type of Work Performed	Duration and Dates of Contract	Value of contract

2. The major items of equipment proposed for carrying out the Services are:

Item of Equipment	Description, make and age (years)	Condition (new, good, poor) and number available	Owned, leased, or to be purchased

# Part 1: Section 4 Bidding Forms

3. The qualifications and experience of key personnel proposed for administration and execution of the Contract are: *[Attach biographical data.]* 

Position	Name	Years of Experience (general)	Year of Experience in proposed position

4. Banks that may provide references if contacted by EAC CASSOA are: [State name, address and telephone, telex and facsimile numbers]

5. Additional qualification information is attached, as required.

We, the undersigned, declare that

(a) the information contained in and attached to this form is true and accurate as of the date of bid submission:

or [delete statement which does not apply]

(b) the originally submitted pre-qualification information remains essentially correct as of the date of bid submission.

Signed:	[signature of person whose name and capacity are shown below]
Name:	[insert complete name of person signing the Qualification Form]
In the capacity of	[insert legal capacity of person signing the Qualification Form]
Duly authorised to sign	
the Qualification Form	
for and on behalf of:	[insert complete name of Bidder]
Dated on	_ day of, [insert date of signing]

# **Section 5. Eligible Countries**

# **Procurement Reference Number:**

All EAC Partner States countries are eligible except countries subject to the following provisions.

A country shall not be eligible if:

- (a) as a matter of law or official regulation, the Government of Uganda and/or the East African Community, prohibits commercial relations with that country, provided that EAC is satisfied that such exclusion does not preclude effective competition for the provision of services required; or
- (b) by an act of compliance with a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations, the Government of Uganda prohibits any import of Services from that country or any payments to persons or entities in that country.

# Section 6. Statement of Requirements-Appendices

(Statement of Requirements (including Detailed Terms of Reference and Evaluation Grids)

Procurement Reference Number: CAS/SRVCS/037/2024-2024

Terms of Reference (Detailed TORs are as per appendix)

- LOT 01: PROVISION OF GROUP LIFE ASSURANCE SERVICES (GLA)
- LOT 02: ASSETS AND GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE SERVICES(GPA)
- LOT 03: OUSTIDE CATERING SERVICES
- LOT 04: TICKETING AND AIR TRAVEL SERVICES

# **TERMS OF REFERENCE & EVALUATION GRIDS FOR SERVICES**

# LOT 01: PROVISION OF GROUP LIFE ASSURANCE SERVICES(GLA)

## TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR GROUP LIFE ASSURANCE SERVICES

### TYPE OF INSURANCE: GROUP LIFE ASSURANCE

### PERIOD: 12 Months

**SCOPE OF COVER:** Provide for a lumpsum payment to staff or their beneficiaries in the event of natural death to members declared, permanent disability and on first time diagnosis of a critical illness.

### COVER DETAILS/SUM ASSURED

No. Of Staff/Employees	21
Total Monthly Earnings	65,129.17

### **BENEFITS**:

Death Due to Natural Causes	Payment equal to 5 times annual salary
Permanent incapacity	Payment equal to 5 times annual salary
Critical Illnes	40% payment of the death benefit
Funeral Expense	Staff - USD 5,000
	Spouse - USD 2,000
	Children - USD 1,000(max 4 children)
	Parent - USD 1,000
School Fees Benefits	USD 1,000 per child, Max 4 children for 2
	years
Hospital Cash Benefit	Advise Limit
Still Birth Benefit	Advise Limit
Retrenchment Benefit	Advise Limit
Waiting Period	NIL
Free Cover Limit	Advise Limit

> Age Limit for member & Spouse - 70 years

> Age Limit for child - 24yrs

Schedule of critical illnesses: Heart Attack; Cancer; Paralysis; Coronary Artery Bypass; Stroke; Kidney failure; Total blindness; Multiple sclerosis; Parkinson's disease; Alzheimer's disease; End stage liver disease.

# LOT 02: ASSETS AND GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT (GPA)

# TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR ASSETS AND GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT

# APPENDIX 1: Schedule of Required Covers;

	INTERESTS/LIMITS OF LIABILITY INSURED	SUM INSURED - USD
1	FIRE & ALLIED PERIL	
	Technical Block	213,968
	Administration Block	186,203
	Car Ports	938
	20 ft Containers (3)	3000
2	FIDELITY GUARANTEE	
	No of Staff	21
	In Aggregate per Year	20,000
	Collusion Limit	20,000
3	BUSINESS ALL RISKS	
	Uganda Assets	
	Office Equipment	47,893
	Office Furniture & Fittings	23,054
	Telecommunication Equipment	21,101
	Kenya Assets	
	Furniture	103,299

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	Medical Equipment	173,657
	IT Equipment	17,881
	Kitchen items and Electronics	6,612
	Additional telecom & office equipment	26,756
	Total sum insured	393,498
4	ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT	
	Computer Equipment	11,199
	Laptops and Portable Gadgets	19,974
	SEC 2: External Data Media -Computer Software	92,280
	SEC 3: Increased Cost of Working	2,000
5	CASH IN TRANSIT	
	Cash In Transit within Uganda	15,000
	Cash in safe/strong room after business hours	10,000
	Cash in premises during working hours	10,000
	Cash in hands of authorized officials	15,000
	Estimated Annual Carryings	200,000
6	MOTOR PRIVATE	
	CD 10202U - Toyota L/cruiser	14,189
	CD 10201U - Toyota L/cruiser	32,703
7	GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT	
	No of Staff	21
	Monthly Earnings	65,129.17

Standard Bidding Document for Procurement of Non-Consultancy Services under Open and Open Bidding.

# APPENDIX 2 - INSURANCE RISK NOTES

# **TYPE OF INSURANCE: FIRE & ALLIED PERIL**

### PERIOD: 12 MONTHS

## SCOPE: FIRE, LIGHTENING AND ALLIED PERIL

## LIMIT: See appendix 1

## CONDITIONS AND CLAUSES:

- Adjoining / Adjacent buildings clause
- Vehicle load
- Foundations and other property below the surface of the ground covered
- Errors & Omissions clause
- Breach of warranties
- Cover to include loss or damage by earth movement, wind, storm, flood, volcanic eruption, strikes, riots, civil commotion and malicious damage
- Inundation Automatic Reinstatement of sum insured after loss
- Fire fighting charges
- Municipal plans scrutiny fees clause
- Definition of buildings Goods in custody, care of the insured
- All other contents clause
- Temporary removal
- Consulting engineer's fees clause
- Basis of Valuation-Full replacement value
- Automatic coverage Adjoining buildings clause
- Appraisement clause
- Contract price clause
- Cost of demolition, clearing and erection of hoarding
- Tenant's clause Malicious damage
- Other tenants clause
- Public utilities clause
- Impact damage
- Misdescription clause
- Property in course of construction / erection / installation
- Spontaneous combustion, fermentation and/or self-heating
- Debris removal
- Designation of property

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GEOGRAPHICAL AREA:East AfricaCLAIM PREPARATION COSTS:Advise Limit

ТҮРЕ	OF	FIDELITY GUARANTEE
INSURANCE:		
PERIOD:		12 Months

**SCOPE OF COVER:** Against loss of money or negotiable instruments or goods or property belonging to the Insured or for which the Insured is legally liable directly resulting from any act of fraud, dishonesty and/or any infidelity of employees including where employees collude with third parties during currency of this Policy.

# COVER DETAILS/LIABILITY LIMIT: Refer to Appendix 1

EXCESS:

### 20% of each claim amount, minimum USD 270

### CONDITIONS AND WARRANTIES:

- Safe and Book Clause
- Install, enforce and observe all precautions, checks, audits and controls to prevent loss and check accuracy of accounts at all times
- Have regular audits by Internal and External Auditors
- Report any cases of fraud or embezzlement to Police
- Assist Police and/or courts in prosecution and conviction of suspects
- Retention of Employees/ Assets- Employer to retain all salary, commissions and the like, owing to suspect employee as far as permitted by Law.
- Premium payment warranty- 90 days

## PRINCIPAL EXTENSIONS:

Automatic reinstatement of Sum Insured –If the Insured undertakes to pay additional premium at agreed rate on the amount of loss calculated on prorata basis from date of loss to expiry of current period of cover, it is agreed that in event of loss, cover shall be maintained in force for full aggregate sum insured, but only for other employees of Insured not the suspect or culprit of fraud.

- Accountants' Clause
- Costs of Recovery In case of loss due to defined events which exceeds the Sum Insured, the Insurer will in addition to the Sum Insured pay to the Insured costs and expenses up to stated limit necessarily incurred with consent of the Insurer for the recovery or attempted recovery from the employee in regard to whom the claim is made, of that part of loss which exceeds the Sum Insured.
- > Goods in care, control or custody of Insured.
- Including Loss of Stocks/other property of Insured
- Discovery period- within12 months after termination/lapse of policy
- Discovery period within 12 months after termination of employment of the suspect employee
- > Automatic additions and deletions of employees
- Policy on position/Named Basis
- Computer Fraud/Electronic cover extension Insurer will indemnify the Insured for any defined event resulting from the dishonest manipulation of, input into, suppression of input into, destruction of, or alteration of any computer programme, system, data or software by any insured employee who is employed in the insured's electronic data processing department or area.
- Collusion Clause
- Unidentifiable Employee cover is afforded where the employer can prove fraud or dishonesty by employees, but cannot identify specific individuals. The onus is on the Insured to prove fraud or dishonest of employee and resultant loss.
- Recoveries- Should the Insured incur any liability under this Policy which exceeds the limit of Indemnity payable hereunder, the Insured shall be entitled to all recoveries

(except from surety ship, Insurance, insurance, security or indemnity taken or effected by the Insurer or for the amount of any deductible) by whomsoever made on account of such loss until fully re-imbursed, less the actual cost of effecting the same, and any remainder shall be applied to the re-imbursement of Insurer.

- > Audit fees
- Cancellation Notice 60 days

# GEOGRAPHICAL AREA: East Africa

DEFINITIONS: Occurrence shall mean – any defalcation or series of defalcations committed by an employee or a number of employees acting in collusion and discovered not later than 12 months after termination of policy or not later than 12 months after termination of the employment of the particular employee(s) is deemed to constitute an occurrence and considered as one claim under the terms of the Policy.

**Collusion Clause-** Any defalcation or series of defalcations committed by 2 or more employees acting in collusion is deemed to constitute an occurrence and considered as one claim in terms of the policy, and in the event of such a claim arising the limit of guarantee to be applied shall be deemed to be the aggregate of the individual amounts guaranteed in respect of all the employees so involved provided that the liability of the Insurer for such loss in respect of any one employee shall not exceed the individual amount guaranteed and in respect of all the employees implicated in the loss, the amount of guarantee shall not exceed the maximum guarantee as indicated on the policy schedule.

**Fraud or Dishonesty** – shall mean acts of default, larceny, misappropriation, embezzlement, misrepresentation, deception, forgery, invention, fabrication, false meaning, lying, breach of promise or trust or of faith, among other infidelities

### CLAIM PREPARATION COSTS: Advise Limit

Insurers will pay any amount actually expended by the Insured with their prior consent in producing and certifying any particulars or details required as specified below, but limited to sum stated in the schedule:

- a) In notifying Insurer and giving details of any other Insurance covering the same event
- b) In informing the Police of any particular claim involving theft (if required by Insurer), or loss of property and taking all practical steps to discover the guilty party and recovering the stolen or lost property
- c) In providing Insurer with full particulars of claim and such proofs, information, and sworn declarations as the Insurer may require
- d) In cooperation with Insurer, or their nominees, on behalf of the Insurer in minimizing the loss or damage.

TYPE OF INSURANCE:		ALL RISKS INSURANCE
PERIOD:		12 Months
SCOPE OF COVER:		Cover against all risk of loss or damage to the whole or part of the property described in the schedule whilst working, at rest, dismantled, or reassembled for maintenance, movement or repair unless the loss is occasioned by any excluded cause defined in the policy
COVER DETAILS/SUM INS	SUF	RED: Refer to Appendix 1
GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS:		East Africa and worldwide for portable items
LOCATION: Insured.	All	Insured premises hired, rented or owned by the
EXTENSIONS:	•	Automatic Coverage – Cover is extended to include automatic coverage for newly acquired property like equipment, machinery, furniture, fixtures, fittings, electronics, similar to the existing property of the Insured, provided that; (i) property up to a value of 10% of Sum Insured for each item insured shall be declared to Insurers at expiry, and/or (ii) property over this limit shall be declared to Insurers within 30 days of acquisition, (lii) any additional Premium is paid at the Policy rate on prorata basis
		Pairs and Sets Clause
		Electrical Clause III
		Automatic addition and deletion
		Capital Additions - Upto 5% of sum insured
		Clearance Costs clause
		Riot, Strike and Civil Commotion
		Storm, Flood, Earthquake & other weather vagaris
	>	<b>Transit and away from premises</b> – cover extends to include loss or damage to insured property in care, custody or control of Insured or partner in or

of director or employee of Insured whilst in transit or at premises other than stated in the schedule. Provided that Insurer shall not be liable for theft from any unattended vehicle in custody or control of the Insured/partner/director/employee of Insured; unless the property is contained in a completely closed and securely locked vehicle or vehicle is housed itself is housed in a securely locked building and entry to such locked vehicle or building is accompanied by forcible and violent entry or exit.

- Skeleton Key Clause cover extends to loss or damage to the property insured caused or accompanied by entry to receptacles by use of a skeleton key or other similar device(excluding duplicate key) provided the Insured shall establish to the satisfaction of the Insurer that a skeleton key or device was used.
- Automatic Reinstatement if the Sum Insured is reduced following the payment of a claim under the Policy, the said Sum Insured shall automatically and immediately be reinstated to the amount stated in Schedule with payment of additional premium calculated at prorata
- Electrical and mechanical breakdown
- > Cancellation: After 30 days notice
- Safe book Clause
- Political Violence and Terrorism Extension
- Payment on account
- Power surge or lightning Strikes
- Theft or Attempted theft
- Single Article Limit

**BASIS OF VALUATION:** Full Replacement means – Replacing the destroyed/damaged item with new item of similar kind, capability, capacity, size, quality or output including

freight, taxes, duties, installation and incidental costs. Sum insured shall include invoice cost, freight, duties, taxes, erection or installation and all incidental costs.

**EXCESS:** 10% of each and every claim, minimum Ugx 200,000 and 20% of the Claim for portable items

### Claim preparation Costs: Insurer to advise the limit

Insurers will pay any amount actually expended by the Insured in producing and certifying any particulars or details required as specified below, but limited to sum stated in the schedule:

- a) In notifying Insurer and giving details of any other Insurance covering the same event
- b) In informing the Police of any particular claim involving theft (if required by Insurer), or loss of property and taking all practical steps to discover the guilty party and recovering the stolen or lost property
- c) In providing Insurer with full particulars of claim and such proofs, information, and sworn declarations as the Insurer may require
- d) In cooperation with Insurer, or their nominees, on behalf of the Insurer in minimising the loss or damage.

### TYPE OF INSURANCE: ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

12 Months

#### PERIOD:

SCOPE OF COVER:

Unforeseen Physical loss and/or damage to the equipment and external data from any cause not specifically excluded whilst working, at rest, dismantled, or reassembled for maintenance, movement or repair.

#### **INSURED INTEREST:**

### <u>Section A</u> – Material damage

All computers and electronic equipment of every kind and description including laptops and printers, peripheral equipment belonging to the Insured or for which the insured is responsible or has assumed responsibility to insure prior to the occurrence of any damage.

### SUM INSURED - Refer to Appendix 1

### Section B: - External Data Media

To indemnify the Insured against material damage to external data media inclusive of the information stored thereon. Sum insured is amount required for restoring the Insured Data Media by replacing the lost or damaged data media by new material and reproducing information or recompiling program (software) recorded on or stored in data-carrying media; as more fully described in the policy wording. – **Sum Insured: Refer to Appendix 1** 

### Section C: Increased Cost of Working

If material damage indemnifiable under Section A gives rise to a total or partial interruption of operation of Electronic Data Processing equipment, Insurer will indemnify the Insured for any additional expenditure incurred for use of substitute EDP equipment not covered under Section A. Insurer will also pay for the Insured for personnel expenses and costs for transportation of materials, express freight and other costs necessarily and reasonably incurred to mitigate further loss or keep in operation or production.

Sum Insured: Sum Insured: Refer to Appendix 1

Section D: Research & Development (if stated in schedule) – indemnify the Insured for research establishment and development expenditure lost in consequence of the damage; increases in cost of

working incurred in consequence of the damage. Indemnity is limited to cost of redevelopment of any projects (commenced prior to the damage) up to stage reached at time of damage; the increased costs incurred by the Insured to return the projects to the point in time which would have been reached had damage not occurred. Payment under the Section will cease once project is again on schedule. Less any savings in expenditure not incurred in consequence of the damage.

### Sum Insured: N/A

# GEOGRAPHICAL LIMITS: East Africa, and Worldwide in case of laptops and other portable items

BASIS OF VALUATION: If repairable to condition substantially the same as it was, but not better or more extensive than when new. No depreciation, no deductions on account of age or condition of property. If completely destroyed or damaged, basis would be full replacement.

**Full replacement Value –** shall mean the costs, which would have to be incurred immediately before destruction of or damage to insured item for replacing the destroyed or damaged item by new item of similar, kind, capacity, size and quality.

CONDITIONS: a) Mechanical Breakdown covered on condition that there is a Maintenance Warranty or Contract b) Power Protection gadgets installed

> c) Maintenance according to Suppliers Recommendations

> d) Insured value to be invoice cost, freight, duties, taxes, other incidental costs and instalment or erection costs if applicable.

### PRINCIPAL EXTENSIONS:

- Transit and away from premises
- Clearance cost clause
- > Power surge or lightning strikes are covered
- Temporary removal –
- Mechanical Breakdown
- Capital additions up to 10% of Sum Insured.
- Theft or attempted theft
- Riot, strike and civil commotion

- > Flood, earthquake, storm and other weather vagaries
- > Water, moisture and inundation damage
- Payment on Account –
- > Cancellation: After 30 days' notice
- Pairs and sets Clause
- Single Article Limit 20% of sum insured
- Political Violence and Terrorism Extension
- **EXCESS:** 20% of each and every claim, min USD 27 for portable items and 10% of Claim, Min USD 27 for others

### Claim preparation Costs: Advise Limit

Insurers will pay any amount actually expended by the Insured in producing and certifying any particulars or details required as specified below, but limited to sum stated in the schedule:

- a) In notifying Insurer and giving details of any other Insurance covering the same event
- b) In informing the Police of any particular claim involving theft (if required by Insurer), or loss of property and taking all practical steps to discover the guilty party and recovering the stolen or lost property
- c) In providing Insurer with full particulars of claim and such proofs, information, and sworn declarations as the Insurer may require
- d) In cooperation with Insurer, or their nominees, on behalf of the Insurer in minimizing the loss or damage.

### TYPE OF INSURANCE: CASH IN TRANSIT

### PERIOD: 12 Months

- **SCOPE OF COVER:** Loss of or damage to money and financial instrument from any causes not specifically excluded by the policy while in transit anywhere within Uganda
- **INTEREST INSURED:** Money deemed to include current coins, bank and currency notes, traveller and other cheques, postal and money orders, revenue and holiday pay stamps, script and share certificates, customer's credit cards, credit card slips and other certificates, uncrossed and bearer cheques, insurance and current unused postage stamp, treasury notes, and other documents or instruments of a negotiable nature.

### LIMIT OF LIABILITY: Refer to Appendix 1

### **PRINCIPAL EXTENSIONS**

- Receptacles Replacement value
- Clothing or Personal effects
- Locks & Keys for receptacles
- Personal accident/bodily injury to employee during robbery/Assault
- Including riots, strikes, and civil commotions
- Multi-Currency Clause
- Money/Documents/Property held in trust
- Hold-up and or threat of violence It is hereby declared and agreed that the within Policy is extended to cover money of the Insured which may be lost or stolen as a result of a hold-up, violence or threat of violence to the Insured or their agents
- Skeleton keys Clause Cover extends to loss or damage to the property Insured caused or accompanied by entry to receptacles by use of a skeleton key or other similar device (excluding a duplicate key) provided that the Insured shall

establish to the satisfaction of the company that a skeleton key or device was used.

- Deletion of armed Guard Warranty
- Political Violence and Terrorism Extension -Covered

### **GEOGRAPHICAL LIMIT: East Africa**

# LOCATION: All premises owned, rented, leased or hired by the Insured anywhere in Uganda

BASIS OF VALUATION:	Cash - Replacement. Receptacle- Replacement. <b>Receptacle</b> shall mean any safe, strongroom, strong box, till, cash register, cash box, or other receptacle for money or any franking machine
EXCESS:	10% of all claims, minimum USD 132 and 20% of claims for money in hands of authorized officials

## Claim preparation Costs: Advise Limit

Insurers will pay any amount actually expended by the Insured in producing and certifying any particulars or details required as specified below, but limited to sum stated in the schedule:

- i. In notifying Insurer and giving details of any other Insurance covering the same event
- ii. In informing the Police of any particular claim involving theft (if required by Insurer), or loss of property and taking all practical steps to discover the guilty party and recovering the stolen or lost property
- iii. In providing Insurer with full particulars of claim and such proofs, information, and sworn declarations as the Insurer may require
- iv. In cooperation with Insurer, or their nominees, on behalf of the Insurer in minimising the loss or damage.

### TYPE OF INSURANCE: MOTOR COMPREHENSIVE

PERIOD: 12 Months

SCOPE OF COVER: Part 1: Own Damage/Theft

Against accidental/loss of or damage to the motor vehicle and its accessories and spare parts whilst thereon due to any cause other than those causes specifically excluded by the policy.

### Part 2: Liability to Third parties

Any accident caused by or through or in connection with any vehicle described in the schedule or in connection with loading and/or unloading of which the Insured and/or any Passenger becomes legally liable to pay all sums including claimants' costs and expenses in respect of:

- a. Death of or injury to any person (excluding employees or family members)
- Damage to property other than property belonging to the Insured or in care, custody or control of Insured, or being conveyed by, loaded on to or unloaded from such vehicle

### **GEOGRAPHICAL AREA/LIMITS:**

#### East Africa

SUM INSURED

- PART 1 Refer to Appendix 1
- PART 2 Third party Liability

a) Any one accident USD 40,000 per person per occurrence

- a) Aggregate USD 80,000 per insurance period
- b) Property Damage USD 80,000 per occurrence

### **PRINCIPAL EXTENSIONS:**

- Unauthorized passengers liability
- Including use by motor trader
- Locks and keys extension Replacement
- Radio Cassette/CD Player Replacement

- Parking Facilities & Movement of Vehicles –policy is extended to include liability arising from or in connection with the movement of any vehicle, trailer or caravan (not belonging to the Insured) by any person being an employee or acting on Insured's behalf, provided such movement of motor vehicle, trailer or caravan is undertaken to facilitate the carrying on of the insured's business
- Windscreen and glass extension Replacement
- Medical expenses Advise Limit
- Riots, strikes, and civil commotion, malicious damage, flood, earthquake, storm, hurricane, tempest
- Liability of passengers Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein the cover under Part 2 of the Policy extends to include legal liability of Passengers, caused in the course of any passenger being carried in or upon entering or getting onto or alighting from the Insured vehicle - Covered within third party Limit
- Protection and Removal Advise Limit
- Contingent/Vicarious Liability
- Authority to Repair -Advise Limit
- Cross Liability Clause
- Towing/Wreckage removal Advise Limit
- Fire extinguishing charges Any costs relating to the extinguishing or fighting of fire shall be deemed to be damage to the Insured vehicle and shall be payable in addition to any other payment for which the Insurer maybe liable, provided the Insurer is legally liable for such costs and the Insured vehicle was in danger from the fire. - Advise Limit
- Personal Accident Cover for the driver- Advise Limit
- Political Violence and Terrorism Inclusive

	<ul> <li>Emergency Accommodation in event of an accident occurring 100Km from the insureds residence - Advise Limit</li> </ul>	
	Rim Damage	
	Wrong Fuel cover extension - Advise Limit	
	Consequential Loss to third parties	
	Personal Effects - Advise Limit	
	Cancellation: after 30 days notice	
	Car hire charges- Advise Limit	
EXTRA BENEFIT	Fitted Car Accessories: Policy extended to cover fitted accessory on to the insured vehicle subject to declaration	
BASIS OF VALUAT	TION: Total Loss/Theft - Agreed Value	
EXCESS:	<b>Own damage -</b> 10% of the Claim amount, Minimum USD 27	
27	Theft/Total Loss -15% of claim amount, minimum USD Windsceen - 20% of claim, Minimum USD 14 Third party Liability - NIL	
CONDITION: No admission, offer, promise or payment shall be made by o on behalf of the insured without the written consent of the Insurer The Insurer may take over and conduct in its name the defence or settlement of any claim, or prosecute in its name for its own benefit any claim for indemnity or damages. The Insurer shall have discretion in the conduct of any proceedings and in settlement of any claim, and the Insured shall give all such information and assistance as the Insure may require.		
USE:	Social, domestic, pleasure and Insured's business	
Any person authorized by the Insured and holding a /alid Licence.		

### **ROAD/DRIVING**

LICENCE CLAUSE	It is warranted that no claim shall be admissible (except so far as necessary to requirement of the legislation) unless the driver holds a valid driving permit, and class which is in force at the material time the vehicle is involved in accident giving rise to a claim and the vehicle is duly licensed to be on the road. Provided that any driver shall be deemed to be licensed to drive the vehicle if he is complying with the licensing laws relating to the Policy geographical area, or non- compliance with any licensing law is solely because of failure of renewal of any license subject to periodic renewal, and if a license is not required by law, or while such driver is learning to drive and is complying with
	such driver is learning to drive and is complying with the laws relating to learners. Provided the Insurer is not prejudiced as regards subrogation or otherwise.

## Claim preparation Costs: Advise Limit

Insurers will pay any amount actually expended by the Insured in producing and certifying any particulars or details required as specified below, but limited to sum stated in the schedule:

- a) In notifying Insurer and giving details of any other Insurance covering the same event
- b) In informing the Police of any particular claim involving theft (if required by Insurer), or loss of property and taking all practical steps to discover the guilty party and recovering the stolen or lost property
- c) In providing Insurer with full particulars of claim and such proofs, information, and sworn declarations as the Insurer may require
- d) In cooperation with Insurer, or their nominees, on behalf of the Insurer in minimizing the loss or damage.

### TYPE OF INSURANCE: GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT/WCA

### PERIOD: 12 Months

**SCOPE OF COVER:** To provide payment of defined benefits as per the WCA 2000 Act to the insured employees for accidental death or bodily injury as a result of accidental, violent, external and visible means to during the period of insurance, including work related illness

TERRITORIAL LIMITS: World-Wide

BASIS OF COVER: 24 Hours

AGE LIMIT: Up-to 75 years

COVER DETAIL/SUM INSURED: R

**Refer to Appendix 1** 

### MAIN POLICY EXTENSIONS:

- 1. Riots, strikes and civil commotion
- 2. Kidnap & Hijack
- 3. Burns, disfigurement,
- 4. Starvation, thirst and/or exposure to the elements;
- 5. Riots strikes and civil commotion
- 6. Work-related sicknesses/illnesses including 54 scheduled

### diseases

- 7. Disappearance Clause (after 12-months)
- 8. Motor cycling -up 750 cc
- 9. Cover whilst under influence of prescribed drugs and/or alcohol (prescribed by a medical practitioner
- 10. alcohol not exceeding the legal limit as per Ugandan laws
- 11. Common Law Extension US\$100,000 per occurrence and US\$200,000 in aggregate.
- 12. Flood, Earthquake, Volcanic Eruption, Hurricane
- 13. Typhoon or other convulsions of nature
- 14. Travel in any Licensed Aircraft
- 15. Trustees Clause
- 16. Double benefit Clause
- 17. Automatic additions and deletions
- 18. Political Violence, Terrorism & Sabotage Covered
- **19.** Cancellation notice **90 days**
- 20. Exposure Clause

## POLICY BENEFITS:

Insured Event	Compensation
Death	5 Years earnings
Permanent Total Disablement	5 Years earnings plus 25% if claimant requires 24 hour support.
Permanent Partial Disablement	Percentages as per continental scale "A" of benefits but limited to 5 years earnings
Temporary Total Disablement	Actual weekly earnings up to 96 Months
Temporary Partial Disablement	50% of Actual Weekly earnings up to 96- Months
Starvation, thirst and or exposure to poisonous elements	As per scale of benefits
Burns and Disfigurement	As per scale of benefits
Medical costs including hospitalization	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Funeral expenses - Employee	Insurer to advise Limit per Person & Incident
Funeral expenses - Spouse and children	Advise Limit
Transport & incidental costs	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Mobility/Artificial appliances	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Wheel chair Benefit	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Crime extension	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Helmet or Seat Belt extension	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Air fares for treatment	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Repatriation Expenses	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Modification of car/residence following an accident	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Loss of personal clothing and accessories (Excl. Money)	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Recruitment expense benefit	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Post Traumatic disorder Benefit	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
School Fees Benefit	Advise Limit
Post- accident physiotherapy session	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Miscarriage/premature birth following an accident	Advise Limit per Person & Incident
Hospital Maintenance allowance	Advise Limit per Person & Incident

Note: Insurer is at Liberty to include any additional benefits beyond the above listed benefits to their proposal

### **CLAIMS PREPARATION COSTS:**

Advise limit per Claim

Insurers will pay any amount actually expended by the Insured with their prior consent in producing and certifying any particulars or details required as specified below, but limited to the sum stated above:

- In notifying Insurer and giving details of any other Insurance covering the same event
- In informing the Police of any particular claim involving theft (if required by Insurer), or loss of property and taking all practical steps to discover the guilty party and recovering the stolen or lost property
- In providing Insurer with full particulars of claim and such proofs, information, and sworn declarations as the Insurer may require
- In cooperation with Insurer, or their nominees, on behalf of the Insurer in minimizing the loss or damage

# **APPENDIX 3: SCHEDULE OF REQUIREMENTS**

The Insurance Company must meet the following conditions:

## A) MANDATORY DOCUMENTS:

PRELIMINARY EVALUATION	PASS/FAIL
✓ Business Licence/Trading License	
✓ Valid Certificate of Registration/Incorporation	
✓ Income Tax Clearance Certificate	
D. A valid Insurance Regulatory Authority Licence for the year 2024	
<ul> <li>✓ Valid Vat Registration or equivalent/Certificate of Registration indicating VAT registration</li> </ul>	
✓ Powers of Attorney	
<ul> <li>✓ Audited Financial Statement for the Last Two Years (2022/2023, 2021/2022, 2021/2020 is also acceptable)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Bid Completeness (Bid Submission sheet, Code of Conduct, Bid securing declaration form, bid validity indicated).</li> </ul>	
✓ Evidence for subscribing to any associations in East Africa least being the Uganda Association of Insurers and Insurance Training College	

# **B) TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- 1. Provide a list of current and previous assignments indicating- Name of client, period of the contract, contact person and telephone numbers.
- 2. Must attach CVs of at least 5 key staff indicating qualifications and experience in insurance matters of at least 3 (three) of these key members of staff.
- 3. Shall give evidence of experience in provision of similar services and magnitude in the last 5 (5) years of at least 3 (3) reputable clients. Details of services underway or contractually committed, and names, telephone numbers, email and physical addresses of clients/References who may be contacted for further information on those contracts should also be provided.
- 4. Shall provide proof of credit worthiness from the firm's bankers
- 5. Shall provide evidence of 'Re-Insurance' arrangements of insurance business
- 6. Shall submit evidence on financial standing such as profit and loss statements and audited accounts for the preceding 3 years signed by the auditor(s) who are approved by a Relevant Accounting Institute within the Region. This will be used to determine solvency and liquidity of the Insurance Company.
- 7. Shall provide information regarding litigation in which the insurance Company is in, the parties concerned and the disputed amount- If any
- 8. A Sample Settled Claims for the last three years, maximum 2 in each category of covers enlisted , indicate time settled upon submission of discharge vouchers
- 9. Service Turnaround time
- 10. Detailed proposed cover terms (Detailed Quotations)

# LOT 03: OUSTIDE CATERING SERVICES UNDER FRAMEWORK CONTRACT

## STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS

# **Provision of Outside Catering Services for EAC CASSOA Meetings**

### Scope of work

- To provide outside catering services for various meetings to be facilitated by the EAC CASSOA
- The meetings are conducted within CASSOA Premises
- The bidders are expected to demonstrate and prove compliance to all health requirements
- The Menu- Mid Morning and Mid-Afternoon tea/coffee served with light snacks(variety at least 3 to 4 snacks) with various beverage options – Served at CASSOA
- Lunch- Buffet style -Lunch to be served at the venue of the outside Catering service providers
- Provision of well-dressed service tables

# **REQUIREMENTS**

- List of current and previous assignments indicating- Name of at least three (3) clients, Period and duration of the contract, contacts person and telephone number- *Attach proof of contract, Reference letters etc*
- Qualified personnel General Manager/ FB Manager in the field of Hotelier Industry (Cv to be submitted)
- Qualified Key personnel (Atleast 3)-CV to be submitted
- Adequate Cooking/ Serving Equipment-Food warmers, adequate flasks, cutlery and crockery (Indicate the same)
- Registration certificate for food premises
- Financial statements for not less than the past 2yrs
- Insurance policy
- Health certificate
- Adequate number of servers-Minimum 3

## Performance standards and services level guarantees

- **Accuracy** (Ability to perform task completely without error)
- **Timelines of Delivery** (Ability to deliver service on promised date and time without delay)

• **Quality** (Ability to deliver excellent product and service

# PRICE SCHEDULE-To be filled in by Bidders as follows

Pricing schedule	COST IN USD
Price/ Cost schedule for Mid-morning and Mid- Afternoon tea and Coffee and variety of Snacks, plus Lunch- Buffet style	
Price/ Cost schedule for Lunch- Buffet style only	
Price/ Cost schedule for Mid-morning/ afternoon Tea and Coffee, plus Snacks only	

#### **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

PRELIMINARY EVALUATION	COMPLY/NOT COMPLY
✓ Business Licence/Trading License	
✓ Valid Certificate of Registration/Incorporation	
✓ Income Tax Clearance Certificate	
✓ Valid Vat Registration/TIN Certificate indicating VAT registration	
✓ Powers of Attorney of the Authorised Signatory	
<ul> <li>✓ Audited Financial Statement for the Last Two Years (2022/2023, 2021/2022, 2021/2020 is also acceptable)</li> </ul>	

#### **TECHNICAL EVALUATION**

Point Rated Evaluation	Scores	
List of current and previous assignments	20	
indicating- Show of at least three (3) clients, Period		
and duration of the contract, contacts person and		
telephone number-Attach proof of contract,		
Reference letters etc		
Qualifications of two personnel General	10	
Manager/FB Manager/Or any other managers in		
banqueting and related services		
CV's of Key personnel (at least 2)	10	
Cooking/ Serving equipment-Food warmers,	20	
adequate flasks, cutlery and crockery		
Registration certificate for food premises	10	
Financial statements for not less than the past 2yrs	10	
Insurance policy	10	
Health certificate	10	
Total scores	100%	Minimum Scores 70%
Pricing schedule		

# LOT 04: TICKETING AND AIR TRAVEL SERVICES UNDER FRAME WORK CONTRACT

### TERMS OF REFERENCE PROVISION OF AIR TRAVEL AND RELATED SERVICES FOR THE EAST AFRICAN COMMUNITY

EAC CASSOA would like to invite sealed bids from reputable suppliers to derive a list of firms from whom it can enter into contract to provide Travel and related services in accordance with the tender requirements to undertake the assignment as described herein.

- a) Introduction
- **1. EAC CASSOA** intends to procure professional services of the highest standards from experienced and professional travel agencies (operating within East African Partner States) for air travel and related services for members and staff within and outside the region. The services of the travel agent will be accessible by CASSOA staff within and outside the CASSOA Location of Entebbe
- **2. EAC CASSOA** does not guarantee exclusive procurement from the Travel Agent nor any minimum order or quantity of services. The Travel Agent is expected to win over the market share through provision of quality services and competitive prices.

# b) Objective

- 1. The proposed contract with the Travel Agent will cover airline ticketing and incidental services such as issuance/delivery, revalidation, re-routing, re-issuance, reconfirmation, processing refunds and cancellations, and preparation of suitable itineraries (including alternative routings, departures and arrivals) at most direct and lowest cost for CASSOA staff (for purposes of official and non-official/personal travels) and consultants, delegates and participants attending meetings or on official business for CASSOA
- 2. The Successful bidder ("the Travel Agent") will be required to sign a contract with CASSOA to perform travel services specified under Terms of Reference and agreeing to clearly identified service levels. The Initial contract shall be for one (1) year renewable subject to annual performance evaluation.

## c) Scope of Services

The following are the scope of services requirement for CASSOA:

- 1. The Travel Agent shall appoint dedicated personnel(s) to be responsible for CASSOA air ticketing and related services
- 2. The Travel agent shall provide travel services from 0700 to 18.30 hours during working days. In addition the Travel Agent shall provide a contact number, which shall be manned by an experienced travel consultant, for 24 hour emergency services, weekdays, weekends and official holidays where required.
- 3. The travel agent shall respond immediately or at least before 12hrs upon receipt of travel request.
- 4. For every CASSOA duly approved travel request, the Agent shall immediately make reservations and prepare appropriate itineraries and quotations based on the lowest fare and the most direct routing.
- 5. In the event that the required travel arrangements cannot be confirmed, the Travel Agent shall notify the requesting party of the problem and present alternative routings/quotations for consideration.
- 6. For waitlisted bookings, the Travel Agent shall provide regular feedbacks on status of flight.
- 7. The Travel Agent shall issue accurate tickets and detailed itineraries, showing the accurate status of the airline on all segments of the journey, where necessary tickets and billing shall be modified or issued to reflect changes affecting travel and make appropriate adjustments for any change(s).
- 8. The Travel agent shall issue and deliver tickets or e-tickets, based upon proper authority from CASSOA in the case of official travel. Tickets shall routinely be provided no earlier than two or three days in advance of travel unless required otherwise.
- 9. The Travel Agent shall accurately advise CASSAO of ticketing deadlines and other relevant information every time reservations are made, in order to avoid cancellation of bookings.
- 10. The Travel Agent shall only act on travel requests for official travel submitted by the responsible staff of CASSOA.
- 11. The Travel Agent shall provide an information service to notify CASSOA and the traveller of such events as airport closings, cancelled or delayed flights and strike situations as well as of political or safety conditions, which may affect travel to any particular destination.
- 12. The Travel Agent shall provide official travellers with last seat availability, advance seat assignments and advance booking passes on all airlines for which the Travel Agent can offer these services.
- 13. The Travel agent shall provide reconfirmation and revalidation of airline tickets, re-issued tickets which are returned as a result of changed routing, or fare structures and printed itineraries showing complete information on status of reservations on all carriers.
- 14. The Travel Agent shall provide each traveller a complete, printed itinerary documents which includes the following: Flight number(s) and seat assignment(s) (if any); confirmed upgrade (if applicable); Departure and Arrival times for each segment of the

trip; intermediate stops; Airport and other taxes; Visa required or not required; and any other information such as change in international date lines.

- 15. The Travel Agent shall carry out investigations on any complaints from travellers and follow ups
- 16. The travel Agent may, as an ancillary service, provide personal travel services to CASSOA Staff provided that this service does not in any way interfere with the efficient processing of official travel requirements. Settlement of personal travel and related expenses shall be made directly between the parties concerned and the Travel Agent without involvement of CASSOA. CASSOA assumes no financial liability for such services.
- 17. The Travel Agent shall maintain computerized profiles of all frequent travellers, as designated or defined from time to time by CASSOA, setting forth the traveller's preferences regarding airlines, seating and meal requirements, passport and credit card information, and such other information as is useful to facilitate such travellers travel arrangements.
- 18. The travel agent shall issue CASSOA Staff one free ticket change where applicable.

## d) Management reports

- 1. The Travel Agent shall provide CASSOA with management information reports consisting of sales activity showing detailed analysis of the number of trips, destinations, carriers used, savings achieved from the carrier's lowest fare.
- 2. The Travel Agent shall hold meetings with CASSOA Travels services personnel at intervals to be agreed upon, to address any issues or problems which may arise.
- 3. CASSOA shall be reimbursed by the Travel Agent for partly or fully unused tickets, subject to applicable regulations.

# e) Service Standards

- **1.** The Travel Agent shall provide the necessary Personnel to provide prompt, courteous and efficient service to CASSOA. The number of assigned or dedicated personnel shall be sufficient to meet all services requirements under this Terms of Reference.
- **2.** The minimum travel experience for the dedicated Travel Agent personnel assigned to this account shall be 2 years.
- **3.** The Travel Agent is responsible for providing replacement personnel in case of absenteeism, vacation, sick days off etc of the regular personnel assigned.
- **4.** The Travel Agent must be fully equipped with a fully automated accounting system interfaced with computer reservation system to cater for CASSOA requirements.

**5.** The Travel Agent shall not favour any particular carrier when making reservations. The Travel Agent shall maintain excellent relations with all carriers for the benefit of CASSOA

# f) Bidder requirements

- 1. Travel Agencies intending to submit a proposal should have organizational and technical capacity, experience and professionalism to provide the services requirements outlined in the Terms of Reference. Proposers should be able to show proof of past and/present experience in similar projects, demonstrate financial soundness and resources available to carry out the services requirements, and have the integrity and proven reliability to ensure good faith performance. Proposers should be able to demonstrate an understanding of CASSOA requirements and come up with an appropriate work plan and overall approach on how to meet these requirements.
- **2.** The Travel Agent should have the following:
  - i. Accreditation with the International Air Transportation Association (IATA) indicating the number of years of membership.
  - **ii.** Maintains a good track record in serving international organizations, embassies and multi-national corporations; list of corporate clients must be provided.
  - **iii.** Employs competent and experienced travel consultants, especially in ticketing and fare computations, as evidenced by their track record in their Curriculum Vitae.
  - **iv.** Financially stable- Annual reports or audited financial statements for the last 2years and prove of payment of taxes to be provided.
  - **v.** Maintains facilities of on-line booking/airline reservations, domestic and international ticketing and basic office equipment, telecommunications equipment and online booking tool.
  - **vi.** Willing and able to guarantee the delivery of products and services in accordance with the performance standards required by this Terms of Reference.
  - **vii.** Have in its current office all the necessary equipments and facilities and sufficient number of experienced and professionally trained travel experts and staff to handle CASSOA requirements
  - viii. Experience in air travel industry (Minimum 3years)

# ix. Proposed Service Fee charges and related terms and conditions:

a) Within East African region (economy and business class)

# b) The rest of African (economy and business class)c) Outside Africa (economy and business class

- **x.** Clear Breakdown of Ticket costing and extra charges
- **xi.** Proposed Cost saving measures and improved handling mechanisms for refunds on unutilised or cancelled tickets.
- **xii.** Proposed Handling of refunds for unused tickets, change of bookings and any other customer complaints
- xiii. Provision of Visa Processing services on request
- **xiv**. Provision of Hotel Booking Services (outside the East African region) on request
- **xv.** Provision of airport transfer services on request
- **Xvi** Operating license issued by the country of operation
- **Xvii** IATA certificate approving authorization to operate a travel agency in the

Country of operations

- Xviii List of affiliated local, national or international travel agencies;
- **Xix** List of major customers and description of type of services provided

The award of the contract will be based on the best value for money that being the best outcome for CASSOA as a whole considering price, economic, environmental and social benefits (if applicable), in addition to the requirements of CASSOA and past performance.

- 3. The Travel Agent shall prepare two copies of proposal, clearly marking CASSOA "original proposal" and "Copy of proposal" as appropriate. In the event of any discrepancy between them, the original shall govern.
- 4. All quotations shall be in US dollars
- 5. CASSOA shall effect payments to the Travel Agent within 30 days after submission and verification of the invoices submitted by the Travel Agent.

# g) Opening and evaluation of proposals

- 1. CASSOA will inform all bidders the date of opening of bids. The bids will be opened publicly and an evaluation team will be established to evaluate the bids and report of which shall be presented before the CASSOA Procurement Committee.
- 2. To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of proposals, CASSOA may at its discretion, ask a bidder for clarification of her proposal. The request for clarification and the responses shall be in writing and no change in price or substance of the proposal shall be sought, offered or permitted

3. Prior to the detailed evaluation, CASSOA shall determine the substantial responsiveness of CASSOA proposal to this invitation. For purposes of this clause, a substantially responsive proposal is one which conforms to all terms and conditions of this invitation without material deviation.

### h) Award criteria, award of contract

- 1. CASSOA reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal and to annul the solicitation process and reject all proposals at any time prior to award of contract without thereby incurring any liability to the affected tenderer or any obligation to inform the affected tenderer of the grounds for her action.
- 2. Within 15 days of receipt of the contract, the successful Travel Agent shall sign and date the contract and return it to CASSOA

MAI	N REQUIREMENTS
1.	General Information
	<ul> <li>Compony Profile</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Copy of IATA Accreditation Certificate</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Business License/Trading License</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Certificate of Incorporation</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Tax identification Numbers/references</li> </ul>
	✤ Tax Compliance Certificate
	<ul> <li>Consortium agreement and authorisation letter (Only if relevant)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Dealership or Agency License (Tourism Board)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Certificate of Registration</li> </ul>
	Properly signed bid (Bid submission sheets, code of conduct form, bid
	securing declaration form, bid validity indicated)
2.	Business References:
	Major Government/International Organizations/ Corporate
	Clients/Contract Details/and their estimated Contract Value
	✤ At least three letters of Recommendation
	Professional Experience (Years of establishment, Years of IATA
	membership, Years of experience with Regional
	major/international organizations)
3.	Size of Agency
	List of name(s) (if any) and address(s) of branch office (s) worldwide
	List of airline(s) (if any) that your agency issue air-tickets on behalf or

	List of airline(s) (if any) that your agency sell air-tickets on behalf of
4.	<ul> <li>Financial Capabilities: -</li> <li>♦ Audited Financial Statements for the last 2 years (2022/2023, 2022/2021, and 2021/2020 is also acceptable)</li> </ul>
5.	<ul> <li>Personnel Competence:</li> <li>Curriculum Vitae of managerial personnel and other full time travel staff members qualified and competent to sell international air transportation (<i>average experience of managers, average experience of travel staff members</i>)</li> </ul>
6.	<ul> <li>Business Entity of Agency:</li> <li>Ownership (sole owner, partnership, etc)</li> </ul>
7.	Systems used for operations e.g (E-ticketing service provision, Reservation Booking Systems in place?, Branch offices available in the region?
8.	<ul> <li>Other information:</li> <li>Reservations are made by: Telephone, fax, internet, intranet</li> <li>Primary type of ticket: Electronic ticket, Hard Copy</li> <li>Primary method for ticket delivery: Electronic Ticket, Postal, on site</li> <li>Describe in detail your ability to secure the lowest available published and/or negotiated airfares. What discount system can you provide to CASSOA: preferably from CASSOA ticket. Please described it in details;</li> </ul>
	State additional services and benefits that make your agency unique

#### ADMINISTRATIVE/ MANDATORY COMPLIANCE GRID

	Elegibility Criteria	Compliant or Non- Compliant (C;NC)	Α	В	С	D	Е
1.	Copy of IATA Accreditation Certificate						
2	Business License/Trading License						
3	Certificate of Incorporation/Registration						
4	Tax identification references Numbers/VAT Registration						

5	Tax Compliance Certificate			
6	Tom Opmalian og (alaanse			
6	Tax Compliance/clearance Certificate			
7	Consortium agreement and authorization letter (Only if relevant)			
8	Powers of Attorney			
9.	Dealership/ Agency License (Tourism Board)			
10	Properly signed bid (Bid submission sheets, code of conduct form, bid securing declaration form, bid validity indicated)			
	COMPLY/NOT COMPLY			

#### Part 2: Section 6 Statement of Requirements

TEC	HNICAL EVALUATION CRITERIA	Points	Travel Agencies			
			Α	В	С	D
1.	REPUTATION OF TRAVEL AGENCIES:	<u>20</u>				
	Reliability (References, and letters of recommendations)					
	Minimum 3     recommendations	10				
	Recommendation from     International Organization(s)	3				
	Recommendation from other organizations	3				
	Recommendation from IATA     Air Carrier	4				
2.	PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:	30				
	A-Years of establishment	10				
	between 2-5 (Two years minimum requirement)	4				
	More than 5	6				
	B-Years of IATA membership	10				
	between 2-5 (Two years minimum requirement)	4				
	More than 5	6				
	C- Years of experience with international and/or other major organizations	10				
	between 2-5 (Two years minimum requirement)	4				
	more than 5 year	6				
3.	TRAVEL AGENCIES CAPABILITY:	50				
	A-Size of Agency (branch offices, number of employees)	10				
	Branch office(s) in the region	2				
	1- 4 travel consultants     (minimum requirement)	4				
	More than 4 travel consultants	6				
	B-Personnel Competence (average experience of managers, average experience of travel staff members)	20				
	<ul> <li>5-10 years of experience for managers (5 years minimum requirement)</li> </ul>	3				
	<ul> <li>More than 10 years of experience for managers 5*</li> </ul>	7				
	3-5 years of experience for travel staff members (3 years minimum requirement	4				
	More than 5 years of experience for travel staff members	6				
	C-E-ticketing service provision	10				
	D-Reservation Booking Systems	10				
	TOTAL					

### **TECHNICAL EVALUATION: Minimum score is 70**

#### **FINANCIAL EVALUATION**

#### Bidders are required to fill the price in the format below;

	Destination	Economy Class (Indicate Service charge)	Business/First Class (Indicate Service Charge)
1	Within East Africa	USD	USD
2	The rest of Africa	USD	USD
3	Out of Africa	USD	USD

# EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR PRELIMINARY, TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL EVALUATION

#### A. Preliminary Evaluation

#### **KEY: C=Compliant NC= Non- Compliant**

This eligibility criteria eliminated ......(number) because.....

#### A. Technical Evaluation

The Terms of Reference detail the minimum technical requirements. Responsiveness is determined by comparison of the specification offered to the specification required in Section 6 and the evaluation is conducted on a pass/fail or Comply/Not Comply basis. Substantial responsiveness shall be considered a pass.

#### **B.** Financial Evaluation;

The financial comparison shall be conducted in accordance with ITB Clause 34 The firm will clearly indicate all charges (monthly and annual or otherwise) and MUST indicate all duties and taxes due.

#### C. Determination of Best Evaluated Bid or Bids

The bid with the lowest evaluated price, from among those which are eligible, compliant and substantially responsive shall be the best evaluated bid. (Section 3)

#### D. Post qualification:

Additionally, as part of the post qualification, the Internet Service Provider may be required to provide an Internet test link/s with the same requested specifications for a period of at least one week and not exceeding two weeks, at their own costs. The links will demonstrate capabilities of all the above technical requirements. The proposed backup links will also be tested during the demo period

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# Section 7: General Conditions of Contract for the Procurement of Non-Consultancy Services

## A General Provisions

### 1 Definitions

- 1.1 The headings and titles of these General Conditions of Contract shall not limit, alter or affect the meaning of the Contract.
- 1.2 Unless the context otherwise requires, the following words and terms shall have the meanings assigned to them:
  - (a) "Contract" means the Agreement entered into between the Parties and includes the Contract Documents.
  - (b) "Contract Documents" means the documents listed in the GCC, including all attachments, appendices, and all documents incorporated by reference therein, and shall include any amendments thereto.
  - (c) "Contract Price" means the sum stated in the Agreement representing the total amount payable for the provision of the Services.
  - (d) "Day" means working day. "Month" means calendar month.
  - (e) "Eligible Countries" means the countries and territories eligible as listed in the SCC.
  - (f) "GCC" means the General Conditions of Contract.
  - (g) "Party" means EAC CASSOA or the Provider, as the case may be, and "Parties" means both of them.
  - (h) "Personnel" means persons engaged by the Provider or by any Sub-contractor as employees and assigned to the performance of the Services or any part thereof;
  - "Provider" means the natural person, private or government entity, or a combination of the above, whose bid to perform the Contract has been accepted by EAC CASSOA and is named as such in the Agreement, and includes the legal successors or permitted assigns of the Provider.
  - (j) "SCC" means the Special Conditions of Contract.
  - (k) "Services" means the services to be performed by the Provider as described in the contract.
  - "Subcontractor" means any natural person, private or government EAC CASSOA, or a combination of the above, including its legal successors or permitted assigns, to whom any part of the Services to be provided or execution of any part of the Services is subcontracted by the Provider.
- 1.3 If the context so requires it, singular means plural and vice versa.
- 1.4 Nothing contained herein shall be construed as establishing a relation of master and

servant or of principal and agent between EAC CASSOA and the Provider.

#### 2 Corrupt Practices

- 2.1 It is EAC CASSOA's policy to require that EAC CASSOA staff as well as Bidders and Providers under EAC CASSOA financed procurement, observe the highest standards of ethics during the procurement and execution of such procurement. In pursuit of this policy, EAC CASSOA:
  - a) defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
    - (i) "corrupt practice" means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting, directly or indirectly, of anything of value, to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and
    - (ii) "fraudulent practice" is any act or omission, including a misrepresentation, that knowingly or recklessly misleads, or attempts to mislead, a party to obtain a financial or other benefit or to avoid an obligation;
    - (iii) "collusive practice" is an arrangement between two or more parties designed to achieve an improper purpose, including to influence improperly the actions of another party;
    - (iv) "coercive practice" is impairing or harming, or threatening to impair or harm, directly or indirectly, any party or the property of the party to influence improperly the actions of a party;
  - b) will suspend a firm, either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, from being awarded an EAC CASSOA funded contract if it at any time determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices in competing for, or in executing any contract irrespective of the funding source.
- 2.2 The Provider shall permit EAC CASSOA to inspect the Provider's accounts and records relating to the performance of the Services and to have them audited by auditors appointed by EAC CASSOA if so required.
- 2.3 In pursuit of the policy defined in GCC Clause 2.1, EAC CASSOA may terminate a Contract for Services if it at any time determines that corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices were engaged in by representatives of EAC CASSOA or of a Provider, during the procurement or the execution of that contract.

#### **B** The Contract

#### **3** Contract Documents

- 3.1 The documents forming the Contract shall be interpreted in the following order of priority:
  - (a) Agreement,
  - (b) Provider's Bid as amended by clarifications,
  - (c) Special Conditions of Contract,
  - (d) General Conditions of Contract,
  - (e) Statement of Requirements,
  - (f) any other document listed in the SCC as forming part of the Contract.

All documents forming the Contract are intended to be correlative, complementary, and mutually explanatory.

- 3.2 No amendment, modification or other variation of the Contract shall be valid unless an Amendment to Contract is made in writing, is dated, expressly refers to the Contract, and is signed by a duly authorised representative of each party thereto.
- 3.3 If any provision or condition of the Contract is prohibited or rendered invalid or unenforceable, such prohibition, invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provisions and conditions of the Contract.
- 3.4 Any action required or permitted to be taken, and any document required or permitted to be executed, under the Contract by EAC CASSOA or the Provider may be taken or executed by the authorised representatives specified in the SCC.
- 3.5 The Contract constitutes the entire agreement between EAC CASSOA and the Provider and supersedes all communications, negotiations and agreements (whether written or oral) of parties with respect thereto made prior to the date of Contract. No agent or representative of either Party has authority to make, and the Parties shall not be bound by or be liable for, any statement, representation, promise or agreement not set forth herein.

#### 4 Governing Law

4.1 The Contract shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of Uganda unless otherwise specified in the SCC.

#### 5 Language

5.1 The Contract as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Contract exchanged by the Provider and EAC CASSOA, shall be written in English unless specified otherwise in the SCC.

#### 6 Notices

- 6.1 Any notice, request or consent required or permitted to be given or made pursuant to the Contract shall be in writing. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given when delivered to the authorised representative of the Party at the address specified in the SCC.
- 6.2 A Party may change its address for notice hereunder by giving the other Party notice of such change.

#### 7 Assignment

7.1 EAC CASSOA or the Provider shall not assign, in whole or in part, their obligations under this Contract, except with the prior written consent of the other party.

#### 8 Subcontracting

- 8.1 The Provider shall request approval in writing from EAC CASSOA of all sub-contracts awarded under the Contract that are not included in the Contract. Subcontracting shall in no event relieve the Provider from any of its obligations, duties, responsibilities or liability under the Contract.
- 8.2 Sub-contracts shall comply with the provisions of GCC Clauses 2 and 27.

#### 9 Change Orders and Contract Amendments

- 9.1 EAC CASSOA may at any time request the Provider through notice in accordance with GCC Clause 6, to make changes within the general scope of the Contract.
- 13.2 If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the cost of, or the time required for, the Provider's performance of any provisions under the Contract, an equitable adjustment shall be made in the Contract Price or in the Completion Schedule, or both, and the Contract shall accordingly be amended. Any claims by the Provider for adjustment must be asserted within twenty-eight days from the date of the Provider's receipt of EAC CASSOA's change order.
- 13.3 Prices to be charged by the Provider for any additional Services or any related Supplies or Works that might be needed but which were not included in the Contract shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the Provider for similar services.

#### 10 Change in Laws

10.1 Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, if after the date of the Bidding Document, any law, regulation, ordinance, order or bylaw having the force of law is enacted, promulgated, abrogated, or changed in Uganda or where the Site is located (which shall be deemed to include any change in interpretation or application by the competent authorities) that subsequently affects the Statement of Requirements and/or r the Contract Price, then such Statement of Requirements and/or Contract Price shall be correspondingly increased or decreased, to the extent that the Provider has thereby been affected in the performance of any of its obligations under the Contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such additional or reduced cost shall not be separately paid or credited if the same has already been accounted for in the contract amendment provisions in accordance with GCC Clause 9 or price adjustment in accordance with GCC Clause 23.

#### 11 Taxes and Duties

- 11.1 The Provider shall bear and pay all taxes, duties, and levies imposed on the Provider, by all municipal, state or national government authorities, both within and outside Uganda, in connection with the provision of the Services to be supplied under the Contract.
- 11.2 For the purpose of the Contract, it is agreed that the Contract Price specified in the Agreement is based on the taxes, duties, levies, and charges prevailing at the date twenty-eight (28) days prior to the date of bid submission (called "tax" in this clause). If any tax rates are increased or decreased, a new tax is introduced, an existing tax is abolished, or any change in interpretation or application of any tax occurs in the course of the performance of the Contract, which was or will be assessed on the Provider, its Subcontractors, or their employees in connection with performance of the Contract, an equitable adjustment to the Contract Price shall be made to fully take into account any such change by addition to or reduction from the Contract Price, as the case may be.

#### 12 Force Majeure

12.1 For the purposes of the Contract, "Force Majeure" shall mean an event or events which are beyond the reasonable control of a Party, and which makes a Party's performance of its obligations hereunder impossible or so impractical as reasonably to be considered

impossible in the circumstances, and includes, but is not limited to, war, riots, civil disorder, earthquake, fire, explosion, storm, flood or other adverse weather conditions, strikes, lockouts or other industrial action (except where such strikes, lockouts or other industrial action are within the power of the Party invoking Force Majeure to prevent), confiscation or any other action by government agencies.

- 12.2 Force Majeure shall not include
  - (a) any event which is caused by the negligence or intentional action of a Party or such Party's Sub-contractors or agents or employees; nor
  - (b) any event which a diligent Party could reasonably have been expected to both:
    - (i) take into account from the effective date of the Contract; and
    - (ii) avoid or overcome in the carrying out of its obligations; nor
  - (c) insufficiency of funds or failure to make any payment required hereunder.
- 12.3 The failure of a Party to fulfil any of its obligations hereunder shall not be considered to be a breach of, or default under, the Contract insofar as such inability arises from an event of Force Majeure, provided that the Party affected by such an event has taken all reasonable precautions, due care and reasonable alternative measures, all with the objective of carrying out the terms and conditions of the Contract.
- 12.4 A Party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall take all reasonable measures to
  - (a) remove such Party's inability to fulfil its obligations hereunder with a minimum of delay; and
  - (b) minimise the consequences of any event of Force Majeure.
- 12.5 A Party affected by an event of Force Majeure shall notify the other Party of such event as soon as possible, and in any event not later than fourteen (14) days following the occurrence of such event, providing evidence of the nature and cause of such event, and shall similarly give notice of the restoration of normal conditions as soon as possible.
- 12.6 During the period of their inability to perform the Services as a result of an event of Force Majeure, the Provider shall be entitled to continue to be paid under the terms of the Contract as well as to be reimbursed for additional costs reasonably and necessarily incurred by them during such period for the purposes of the Services and in reactivating the Services after the end of such period.
- 12.7 Not later than thirty (30) days after the Provider, as the result of an event of Force Majeure, has become unable to perform a material portion of the Services, the Parties shall consult with each other with a view to agreeing appropriate measures to be taken in the circumstances.

#### 13 Suspension of Assignment

13.1 EAC CASSOA may, by written notice of suspension of the assignment to the Provider, suspend all payments to the Provider hereunder if the Provider fails to perform any of its obligations under the Contract, including the carrying out of the Services, provided that such notice of suspension shall:

- (a) specify the nature of the failure; and
- (b) request the Provider to remedy such failure within a period not exceeding thirty days after receipt by the Provider of such notice of suspension.

#### 14 Termination

- 14.1 EAC CASSOA may, by not less than thirty days written notice of termination to the Provider (except in the event listed in paragraph (f) below, for which there shall be a written notice of not less than sixty days), such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in GCC Clause 14.1 (a) to (g), terminate the Contract if:
  - (a) the Provider fails to remedy a failure in the performance of its obligations as specified in a notice of suspension of assignment pursuant to GCC Clause 13 within thirty days of receipt of such notice of suspension of assignment or within such other period agreed between the Parties in writing;
  - (b) the Provider becomes, or if any of the Provider's Members becomes, insolvent or bankrupt or enters into any agreements with their creditors for relief of debt or take advantage of any law for the benefit of debtors or go into liquidation or receivership whether compulsory or voluntary (other than for a reconstruction or amalgamation) in such event, termination will be without compensation to the provider, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy that has accrued or will accrue thereafter to EAC CASSOA;
  - (c) the Provider fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration proceedings pursuant to GCC Clause 17 hereof;
  - (d) the Provider submits to EAC CASSOA a statement which has a material effect on the rights, obligations or interests of EAC CASSOA and which EAC CASSOA knows to be false;
  - (e) the Provider is unable as the result of Force Majeure, to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty days;
  - (f) EAC CASSOA, in its sole discretion and for any reason whatsoever, decides to terminate the Contract; or
  - (g) the Provider, in the judgment of EAC CASSOA, has engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive or coercive practices in competing for or in executing the Contract.
  - (h) where the Tribunal direct that a contract should be terminated.
- 14.2. Termination for Convenience
  - (a) EAC CASSOA, by notice sent to the provider, may terminate the Contract, in whole or in part at any time, for its convenience. The notice of Termination shall specify that the termination is for EAC CASSOA's convenience, the extent to which performance of the provider under the Contract is terminated, and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.
  - (b) The Supplies that are complete and ready for shipment within twenty-eight (28) days after the Provider's receipt of notice of termination shall be accepted by EAC CASSOA at the Contract terms and prices. For the remains supplies, EAC CASSOA may elect:
    - (i) to have any portion completed and delivered at the Contract terms and Prices: and/or
    - (ii) to cancel the remainder and pay to the Provider an agreed amount for partially

completed Supplies and related services and for materials and parts previously procured by the provider.

- 14.3 The Provider may, by not less than thirty days written notice to EAC CASSOA, such notice to be given after the occurrence of any of the events specified in GCC Clause 14.2 (a) to (d) terminate the Contract if:
  - (a) EAC CASSOA fails to pay any money due to the Provider pursuant to the Contract and not subject to dispute pursuant to GCC Clause 17 within thirty days after receiving written notice from the Provider that such payment is overdue;
  - (b) EAC CASSOA is in material breach of its obligations pursuant to the Contract and has not remedied the same within thirty days (or such longer period as the Provider may have subsequently approved in writing) following the receipt by EAC CASSOA of the Provider's notice specifying such breach;
  - (c) the Provider is unable as the result of Force Majeure, to perform a material portion of the Services for a period of not less than sixty days; or
  - (d) EAC CASSOA fails to comply with any final decision reached as a result of arbitration pursuant to GCC Clause 17 hereof.
- 14.4 If either Party disputes whether an event specified GCC Clauses 14.1 or GCC Clause 14.2 has occurred, such Party may, within thirty days after receipt of notice of termination from the other Party, refer the matter to arbitration pursuant to GCC Clause 17 and the Contract shall not be terminated on account of such event except in accordance with the terms of any resulting arbitral award.

#### 15 Cessation of Rights and Obligations or Services

- 15.1 Upon termination of the Contract pursuant to GCC Clause 14, or upon completion of the Services pursuant to GCC Clause 20 hereof, all rights and obligations of the Parties hereunder shall cease, except:
  - (a) such rights and obligations as may have accrued on the date of termination or completion;
  - (b) the obligation of confidentiality set forth in GCC Clause 3;
  - (c) the Provider's obligation to permit inspection, copying and auditing of their accounts and records set forth in GCC Sub-Clause 2.2; and
  - (d) any right which a Party may have under the Governing Laws.

#### 16 Cessation of Services

16.1 Upon termination of the Contract by notice of either Party to the other pursuant to GCC Clause 14 the Provider shall, immediately upon dispatch or receipt of such notice, take all necessary steps to bring the Services to a close in a prompt and orderly manner and shall make every reasonable effort to keep expenditures for this purpose to a minimum.

#### **17** Settlement of Disputes

- 17.1 EAC CASSOA and the Provider shall make every effort to resolve amicably by direct informal negotiation any disagreement or dispute arising between them under or in connection with the Contract or interpretation thereof.
- 17.2 If the parties fail to resolve such a dispute or difference by mutual consultation within twenty-eight days from the commencement of such consultation, either party may require

that the dispute be referred for resolution in accordance with The Arbitration Act of Uganda or such other formal mechanism specified in the SCC.

#### 18 Liquidated Damages

- 18.1 If so stated in the SCC, the Provider shall pay liquidated damages to EAC CASSOA at the rate per day stated in the SCC for each day that the Completion Date is later than the Completion Date. The total amount of liquidated damages shall not exceed the amount defined in the SCC. EAC CASSOA may deduct liquidated damages from payments due to the Provider. Payment of liquidated damages shall not affect the Provider's liabilities.
- 18.2 If the Completion Date is extended after liquidated damages have been paid, EAC CASSOA shall correct any overpayment of liquidated damages by the Provider by adjusting the next payment certificate.

#### **19** Commencement of Services

- 19.1 The Provider shall commence the Services within the time period after the date of the Agreement whichever is the earlier which shall be detailed in the SCC.
- 19.2 If the Contract has not become effective within such time period after the date of Contract stated in GCC Sub-Clause 19.1, either Party may, by not less than four weeks' written notice to the other Party, declare the Contract to be null and void, and in the event of such a declaration by either Party, neither Party shall have any claim against the other Party with respect hereto.

#### 20 Completion Period and Completion of the Services

- 20.1 The period for the completion or the period within which the Services are required to be performed shall be detailed in the SCC. The completion period shall commence from the date of the commencement of the Services detailed in GCC Sub-Clause 19.1.
- 20.2 The completion of the Services shall be in accordance with the Agreement.

#### C Obligations of EAC CASSOA

#### 21 Provision of Information and Assistance

- 21.1 EAC CASSOA shall supply the Provider with any information or documentation at its disposal which may be relevant to the performance of the contract. Such documents shall be returned to EAC CASSOA at the end of the period of the Contract.
- 21.2 EAC CASSOA shall issue to its employees, agents and representatives all such instructions as may be necessary or appropriate to facilitate the prompt and effective performance of the Services.
- 21.3 EAC CASSOA shall give the Provider access to its premises, where required for the performance of the Services, and assist the Provider with any security documentation necessary at the premises where the Services are to be performed in accordance with the Contract.

#### D Payment

#### 22 Contract Price

22.1 The Contract Price shall be as specified in the Agreement subject to any additions and

adjustments thereto, or deductions therefrom, as may be made pursuant to the Contract.

- 22.2 The Contract Price shall include the total cost for performing the Services and shall include payments for all Personnel, materials and supplies used for the Services and any other overhead or incidental costs except any costs specifically excluded and described in the SCC.
- 22.3 The Contract Price shall be paid in accordance with the payment schedule in the SCC.
- 22.4 The Contract Price may only be increased if the Parties have agreed to additional payments by contract amendment in accordance with GCC Clause 9.

#### 23 Price Adjustments

23.1 Procurement shall be at fixed prices which shall not be revised or varied.

#### 24 General Payment Procedure

- 24.1 In consideration of the Services performed by the Provider under the Contract, EAC CASSOA shall make to the Provider such payments in such manner as is provided by the Contract.
- 24.2 Payments made by EAC CASSOA shall be made in response to requests for payment made by the Provider. The Provider's request for payment shall be made to EAC CASSOA in writing by production of an invoice supported by the documentation required and as specified in the SCC.
- 24.3 Unless otherwise specified in the SCC, payments shall be made by EAC CASSOA, no later than thirty days after submission of a request for payment by the Provider and its certification by EAC CASSOA. EAC CASSOA shall certify or reject such requests for payment within five days from receipt. Where such payment requests are rejected, EAC CASSOA shall promptly advise the Provider of the reasons for rejection.
- 24.4 EAC CASSOA shall not unreasonably withhold any undisputed portion of a request for payment. EAC CASSOA shall notify the Provider of the inadmissibility of a request for payment due to an error, discrepancy, omission or any other reason so that the Parties may resolve such error, discrepancy, omission or other fault and agree a solution to enable payment of the corrected request for payment. Only such portion of the request for payment that is inadmissible may be withheld from payment. Should any discrepancy be found to exist between actual payment made and costs authorised to be incurred by the Provider, EAC CASSOA may add or subtract the difference from any subsequent payments.
- 24.5 Any amount which EAC CASSOA has paid or caused to be paid which is in excess of the amounts actually payable in accordance with the provisions of the Contract, shall be reimbursed by the Provider to EAC CASSOA within thirty days after receipt by the Provider of a notice thereof. Any such claim by EAC CASSOA for reimbursement must be made within twelve months after receipt by EAC CASSOA of a final statement approved by EAC CASSOA.

#### 25 Advance Payment Guarantee

25.1 Unless otherwise stated in the SCC, where any payment is made in advance of performance of Services, payment of the advance payment shall be made against the

provision by the Provider of a bank guarantee or an on demand insurance bond with proof of re-insurance, for the same amount, and shall be valid for the period stated in the SCC.

- 25.2 Should the advance payment guarantee cease to be valid and the Provider fails to revalidate it, a deduction equal to the amount of the advance payment may be made by EAC CASSOA from future payments due to the Provider under the contract.
- 25.3 If a Contract is terminated for any reason, the guarantee securing the advance may be invoked in order to recover the balance of the advance still owed by the Provider.

#### E Obligations of the Provider

#### 26 Obligations of the Provider

- 26.1 The Provider shall perform the Services under the contract with due care, efficiency and diligence, in accordance with best professional practices.
- 26.2 The Provider shall respect and abide by all laws and regulations in force. The Provider shall indemnify EAC CASSOA against any claims and proceedings arising from any infringement by the Provider, its sub-contractors or their employees of such laws and regulations.
- 26.3 The Provider shall ensure that services conform to applicable environmental and quality standards, that no chemical or other product/equipment is used in such a way as to cause negative impact on the environment in general and occupational health hazards for the personnel of EAC CASSOA in particular, and shall employ the most recent technology, safe and effective equipment, machinery, materials and methods, as necessary. The Provider shall always act, in respect of any matter relating to this Contract, to safeguard EAC CASSOA's legitimate interests, pursuant to Conditions of this Contract
- 26.4 The Provider shall obtain EAC CASSOA's prior approval in writing before taking any of the following actions:
  - a) entering into a subcontract for the performance of any part of the Services, it being understood that the Provider shall remain fully liable for the performance of the Services by the Sub-contractor and its Personnel pursuant to the Contract;
  - (b) any other action that may be specified in the SCC.
- 26.5 The Provider shall furnish EAC CASSOA with any personnel data or information required by EAC CASSOA to arrange the provision of documentation required in accordance with GCC Clause 21.3.

#### 27 Eligibility

- 27.1 The Provider and its Subcontractors shall have the nationality of an eligible country. A Provider or Subcontractor shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if it is a citizen or constituted, incorporated, or registered, and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country.
- 27.2 The Provider and its Sub-contractors shall provide Personnel who shall be citizens of eligible countries and use supplies with their origin from an eligible country.

#### Part 2: Section 6 Statement of Requirements

#### 28 Code of Conduct

28.1 The Provider shall at all times refrain from making any public statements concerning the Services without the prior approval of EAC CASSOA, and from engaging in any activity which conflicts with its obligations towards EAC CASSOA under the contract. It shall not commit EAC CASSOA without its prior written consent, and shall, where appropriate, make this obligation clear to third parties.

#### 29 Indemnification

- 29.1 At its own expense, the Provider shall indemnify, protect and defend, EAC CASSOA, its agents and employees, from and against all actions, claims, losses or damage arising from any act or omission by the Provider in the performance of the Services, including any violation of any legal provisions, or rights of third parties, in respect of patents, trademarks and other forms of intellectual property such as copyrights.
- 29.2 At its own expense, the Provider shall indemnify, protect and defend EAC CASSOA, its agents and employees, from and against all actions, claims, losses or damages arising out of the Provider's failure to perform its obligations provided that:
  - (a) the Provider is notified of such actions, claims, losses or damages not later than 30 days after the EAC CASSOA becomes aware of them;
  - (b) the ceiling on the Provider's liability shall be limited to an amount equal to the contract value, but such ceiling shall not apply to actions, claims, losses or damages caused by the Provider's wilful misconduct;
  - (c) the Provider's liability shall be limited to actions, claims, losses or damages directly caused by such failure to perform its obligations under the contract and shall not include liability arising from unforeseeable occurrences incidental or indirectly consequential to such failure.
- 29.3 The aggregate liability of the Provider to the EAC CASSOA shall not exceed the total contract value or such other amount specified in the SCC.
- 29.4 The Provider shall have no liability whatsoever for actions, claims, losses or damages occasioned by:
  - a) EAC CASSOA omitting to act on any recommendation, or overriding any act, decision or recommendation, of the Provider, or requiring the Provider to implement a decision or recommendation with which the Provider disagrees or on which it expresses a serious reservation; or
  - b) the improper execution of the Provider's instructions by agents, employees or independent contractors of EAC CASSOA.
- 29.5 The Provider shall remain responsible for any breach of its obligations under the contract for such period after the Services have been performed as may be determined by the law governing the contract.

#### **30** Insurance to be Taken Out by the Provider

30.1 The Provider shall take out, maintain and shall cause any Sub-contractors to take out and maintain, at their own cost insurance coverage against the risks and on terms and

conditions approved by EAC CASSOA as shall be specified in the SCC.

29.2 The Provider shall at EAC CASSOA's request, provide evidence to EAC CASSOA showing that such insurance has been taken out and maintained.

#### 31 Accounting, Inspection and Auditing

31.1 The Provider shall keep accurate and systematic accounts and records in respect of the Services hereunder, in accordance with internationally accepted accounting principles and in such form and detail as will clearly identify all relevant time charges and costs.

#### **F Performance of the Services**

#### 32 Scope of Services

- 32.1 The Services to be provided shall be as specified in the Statement of Requirements in the Contract.
- 32.2 The Services shall be performed at such locations as are specified in the Statement of Requirements.

#### 33 Provider's Personnel

- 33.1 The Provider shall employ and provide such qualified and experienced Personnel and Subcontractors as are required to carry out the Services. The Provider shall be responsible for the performance of the Personnel.
- 33.2 If required by the Agreement, the Provider shall ensure that a manager, acceptable to EAC CASSOA, takes charge of the performance of the Services.

#### 34 Working hours of the Personnel

34.1 Where the Services are performed on a regular basis at the premises of EAC CASSOA, the Provider shall work the hours agreed with EAC CASSOA where not specified in the Statement of Requirements or the SCC.

#### 35 Replacement of Personnel

35.1 If EAC CASSOA requests the Provider to remove a person who is a member of the Providers staff or work force, stating the reasons, the Provider shall ensure that the person leaves the Site within seven days and has no further connection with the work in the Contract.

#### **36 Performance Security**

- 36.1 If so stated in the SCC, the Provider shall, within twenty-eight (28) days of the notification of contract award, provide a Performance Security for the due performance of the Contract in the amount and currency specified in the SCC or in a freely convertible currency acceptable to EAC CASSOA.
- 36.2 The proceeds of the Performance Security shall be payable to EAC CASSOA as compensation for any loss resulting from the Provider's failure to complete its obligations under the Contract.
- 36.3 The Performance Security shall be in one of the forms stipulated by EAC CASSOA in the SCC, or in another form acceptable to EAC CASSOA.
- 36.4 The Performance Security shall be discharged by EAC CASSOA and returned to the

Provider not later than twenty-eight (28) days following the date of completion of the Provider's performance obligations under the Contract, unless specified otherwise in the SCC.

# **Section 8 Special Conditions of Contract**

GCC clause reference	Special Conditions of Contract
	The Procurement Reference Number is: CAS/SRVCS/037/2023-2024
GCC 1.2(e)	<b>Eligible Countries:</b> The Eligible Countries are those listed in Section 5 of the Bidding Document.
GCC 3.1(f)	The other documents forming part of the Contract are: Minutes of Negotiations where negotiations are conducted
GCC 3.4	Authorised Representatives: The Authorised Representatives are:
	For EAC CASSOA: The Executive Director
	For the Provider:(to be provided by Provider)
GCC 4.1	Law: The Governing Law shall be the Laws of Uganda
GCC 5.1	Language: The language of the contract shall be English.
GCC 6.1	For <b>notices</b> , EAC CASSOA's address shall be:
	Attention: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
	Street Address: EAC CASSOA
	Street: CIRCULAR ROAD
	Plot: 41/43
	P. O Box No: 873
	Town/City: ENTEBBE
	Country: UGANDA
	The deadline for bid submission is:
	Date: Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 Time (local time): 11.00 A. m
	Website: <u>www.cassoa.org</u>
	For <b>notices</b> , the Provider's address shall be:
	Attention:
	Street Address:
	Floor/Room number:
	Town/City:
	PO Box:
	Country:
	Telephone:

GCC clause reference	Special Conditions of Contract
	Facsimile number:
	Email address:
GCC 17.2	<b>Dispute settlement:</b> The Dispute settlement shall be The Arbitration Act of Uganda.
GCC 18.1	Liquidated Damages shall not apply.
	The liquidated damage shall be:% per weekThe maximum amount of liquidated damages shall be:%
GCC 19.1	<b>Commencement:</b> The Period within which Services shall have commenced following the date of the Agreement is: 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2024
GCC 20.1	<b>Completion:</b> The Services shall be completed by/shall be performed for a period of: <b>Two (2) years to three (3) years subject to satisfactory Annual Supplier Performance Evaluation</b>
GCC 22.2	<b>Excluded costs:</b> The following costs are excluded from the Contract Price: N/A
GCC 22.3	<b>Payment Schedule:</b> The payment schedule shall be: <b>Monthly / Quarterly</b> / <b>Annually depending on the nature of service and as per Terms of Reference.</b>
GCC 24.2	<b>Documentation for Payment:</b> The following documentation shall be required to support invoices requesting payments: Signed worksheet / Confirmation of received services by EAC CASSOA's contract manager of the specific service.
GCC 24.3	<b>Payment Period:</b> Payment shall be made by EAC CASSOA within <b>45 days</b> of receipt of the invoice and the relevant documents specified in Clause 24.2.
GCC 25.1	An Advancement Payment Guarantee shall not be required.
	The amount of the Advance Payment Guarantee shall be:N/A
	The period of validity of the Advance Payment Guarantee shall be:N/A
GCC 26.4(b)	<b>EAC CASSOA's prior approval:</b> EAC CASSOA's prior approval is also required for: N/A
GCC 29.3	<b>Total Liability:</b> The Total liability under the Contract shall be <b>Equal to</b> or less than the total Contract Value.
GCC 30.1	Insurance taken out by Provider: The risks and coverage shall be:
	(i) Employer's liability and workers' compensation
	(ii) Professional liability
	(iii) Loss or damage to equipment and property
	(iv) Other as specified in the TORs

GCC clause reference	Special Conditions of Contract
GCC 34.1	Working hours: The working hours for the Provider shall be: As per TORs
GCC 36.1	<b>Performance Security:</b> A Performance Securityshall not be required.
	The amount and currency of the Performance Security is: NOT APPLICABLE
GCC 36.3	Form of Performance Security: The forms of acceptable Performance Security are: NOT APPLICABLE
GCC 36.4	<b>Discharge of Performance Security:</b> The Performance Security shall be discharged: <b>NOT APPLICABLE</b>

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## Agreement

#### For Lump Sum Procurement

Procurement Re	ference No:				
This Agreement	is made the	day of the	month of		,,
between _					of
(hereinafter	called	the	"EAC	CASSOA")	and
		(	of		

(hereinafter called the "Provider").

#### WHEREAS

- (a) EAC CASSOA has requested the Provider to provide certain services (hereinafter called the "Services") as defined herein and attached to this Contract;
- (b) the Provider having represented to EAC CASSOA that it has the required skills, personnel and technical resources, has agreed to provide the Services on the terms and conditions set forth in this Contract;

NOW THEREFORE the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

- 1. In this Agreement words and expressions shall have the same meanings as are respectively assigned to them in the Contract referred to.
- 2. In consideration of the payments to be made by EAC CASSOA to the Provider as indicated in this Agreement, the Provider hereby covenants with EAC CASSOA to provide the Services in conformity in all respects with the provisions of the Contract.
- 3. EAC CASSOA hereby covenants to pay the Provider in consideration of the provision of the Services, the Contract Price of \_\_\_\_\_\_ or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of the Contract at the times and in the manner prescribed by the Contract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have caused this Contract to be signed in their respective names as of the day and year first above written.

Signed by(EA	C CASSOA)
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Name:	Authorised Representative
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Position:\_\_\_\_\_

In the presence of:

Name: \_\_\_\_

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### Part 3: Section 9: Contract Form

Signed by	(for the Provider)
Name:	Authorised Representative
Position:	
In the presence of:	
Name:	Position:

[The Performance Security should be on the letterhead of the issuing Financial Institution and should be signed by a person with the proper authority to sign documents that are binding on the Financial Institution]

## **Performance Security**

Date: [insert date (as day, month, and year) of Performance Security]

Procurement Reference No: [insert Procurement Reference Number]

#### To: EAC CASSOA

WHEREAS [insert name complete of Provider] (hereinafter "the Provider") has undertaken, pursuant to Contract No. [insert number] dated [insert day, month and year] to supply [brief description of the Services] (hereinafter "the Contract").

AND WHEREAS it has been stipulated by you in the aforementioned Contract that the Provider shall furnish you with a security *[insert type of security]* issued by a reputable guarantor for the sum specified therein as security for compliance with the Provider's performance obligations in accordance with the Contract.

AND WHEREAS the undersigned [insert complete name of Guarantor], legally domiciled in [insert complete address of Guarantor], (hereinafter the "Guarantor"), have agreed to give the Provider a security:

THEREFORE WE hereby affirm that we are Guarantors and responsible to you, on behalf of the Provider, up to a total of *[insert currency and amount of guarantee in words and figures]* and we undertake to pay you, upon your first written demand declaring the Provider to be in default under the Contract, without cavil or argument, any sum or sums within the limits of *[insert currency and amount of guarantee in words and figures]* as aforesaid, without your needing to prove or to show grounds or reasons for your demand or the sum specified therein.

This security is valid until the [insert number] day of [insert month], [insert year].

This guarantee is subject to the Uniform Rules for Demand Guarantees, ICC Publication No. 758.

Name: [insert complete name of person signing the Performance Security]

In the capacity of [insert legal capacity of person signing the Performance Security]

Signed: [signature of person whose name and capacity are shown above]

Duly authorised to sign the Performance Security for and on behalf of: *[insert complete name of Financial Institution]* 

Dated on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ [insert date of signing]