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| 1. | 7000004061 | <p>A. Eligibility & Consortium Structure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reference Sharing: Can the requirement for three South African M&E reference projects be met collectively by a consortium, or must the lead bidder possess all three independently? • Criteria Aggregation: Are eligibility markers (annual turnover and technical experience) assessed based on the lead firm only, or the cumulative capacity of the consortium? • Regional Experience: Is South Africa-based experience a "Pass/Fail" eligibility criterion or a weighted component of the technical evaluation? • Lead Firm Residency: Must the lead bidder be a South African registered entity, or is an international lead with a local subcontractor/partner permissible? | <p>Should you form a joint venture group or consortium, the bid must specify the members of this group/consortium. Furthermore, the authorised representatives of the members are to be named.</p> <p>A member of the joint venture group/consortium is to be appointed as central coordinator by all members in a legally binding form and empowered to represent the group/consortium and to accept payments with the effect of a discharge, also on behalf of the members. Furthermore, the members must declare that they are jointly and severally liable for the performance of the contract. A corresponding power of attorney has to be submitted together with your bid.</p> <p>The formation of a joint venture with a company, also invited by GIZ to submit a bid, requires the prior written consent of GIZ.</p> <p>The eligibility criteria/markers will be assessed on the lead firm.</p> <p><i>The South African-based experience is a weighted component as per the technical assessment grid</i></p> <p>The Lead Company must be registered in South Africa (paying taxes in South Africa)</p> |
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| | | <p>B. Team Composition & Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience Equivalence: To what degree will international or pan-African experience be considered equivalent to South African experience for the Team Leader and Key Expert roles? • Expert Locations: Is there a minimum percentage of the team that must be South Africa-based for field-level coordination and stakeholder engagement? <p>C. Scope & Approach</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment Scale: Should the diagnostic assessment focus on a sector-wide programmatic analysis of the mining industry, or is it expected to delve into specific mine site case studies? <p>D. Data Availability & Stakeholder Access</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baseline Data: Will GIZ provide the selected consultant with primary datasets (e.g., hydrogeological, environmental, or socio-economic baselines), or is primary data collection expected? • Facilitation: To what extent will GIZ or the JET PMU (Just Energy Transition Partnership Management Unit) | <p>Regional experience of the Team Lead and Key expert will be weighted as per the technical assessment grid</p> <p>Team Lead and Key expert location within South Africa will be preferable.</p> <p>The diagnostic assessment will focus on selected interventions as per Section 2. Activity 2 and Activity 3 in the Terms of Reference. The programmatic scale of the interventions will be agreed upon with the relevant stakeholders as per Section 2 Activity 2 in the TOR.</p> <p>Collation of datasets is required as per Section 2, Activity 1 in the Terms of Reference. GIZ, in collaboration with the relevant stakeholders will support some of the dataset collection. However the bidder should have knowledge of datasets and</p> |
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| | | <p>facilitate introductions to government and community stakeholders?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource Library: Will existing internal reports or prior GIZ-funded assessments be made available during the inception phase? <p>E. Request for Timeline Extension</p> <p>In light of the assignment's complexity and the need to form a robust, locally integrated consortium that meets GIZ's high standards for development-oriented methodologies, we respectfully request a 3-week extension of the submission deadline.</p> <p>This additional time will allow for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The finalization of legal consortium agreements. • Precise alignment of expert CVs with the specific South African context. • The development of a more rigorous and responsive technical methodology. | <p>documentation within the subject matter as per the experience required for experts.</p> <p>GIZ, in collaboration with the JET PMU and relevant stakeholders in Mpumalanga will facilitate the necessary stakeholder introductions.</p> <p>GIZ, in collaboration with the JET PMU and the relevant provincial stakeholders will support access to resources. However the bidder should have knowledge of the relevant documentation within the subject matter as per the level of experience required for the experts.</p> <p>An extension has been granted to all potential bidders to 8 May.</p> |
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