

Invitation to tender (ITT) for provision of

Internet Service for GIZ Erbil office

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1** The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH in Iraq assists the Iraqi Government on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) the Federal Foreign Office (AA) and the European Union (EU). GIZ offers a wide range of services concentrating on the following sectors; Reconstruction and peacebuilding; Economic development and employment; and Good governance.
- 1.2** GIZ Country Office invites eligible Firms that are registered in the ministry of trade or communication in Iraq to submit offers for the provision of Internet Service for GIZ Erbil office service as per Annex 1 -Terms of Reference

2. Tender Detail

Procurement reference number:	83475059
Subject of ITT	Procurement of Internet Service for GIZ Erbil office
Name and address of procurement entity:	GIZ Iraq Procurement and Contract Unit – Erbil Office
Project Title	Country Office
Bid language:	English Language
Bid currency:	Iraqi Dinars (IQD)
Basis for award	Financial 100%
Bid submission method:	Email Submission
	Two separate e-mails: one containing Financial Bid’ and the other ‘Administration and Eligibility Bid”
Date of Issue (Dispatch)	9 October, 2024
Documents comprising the bid	The tender package comprises the following documents: • Invitation to Tender • Terms of Reference • Bid Form • General Terms and Conditions of Contract • Association Clause
Deadline for submission	17:00 local time on Sunday, October 27, 2024
Email for submission of bid	IQ_Quotation@giz.de
Activity expected start date	Sunday, December 1, 2024

3. INSTRUCTION - BID Submission

3.1 Email Submission

Please address your bid to the following dedicated, controlled, and secure email address. And the following conditions should be applied:

IQ_Quotation@giz.de (Please refrain from adding any other GIZ e-mail; otherwise, the GIZ will assume the offer is unresponsive and invalid).

- The email subject must be (Company name 83475059_Internet Service for GIZ Erbil office)
- Separate emails shall be used for the Financial Bid and 'Administration and Eligibility', and the Subject Heading of the email shall indicate which type the email contains
 - The financial bid shall only contain the financial Annex 2 – Bid Form
 - The Administration and Eligibility shall contain all documents related to, Signed GIZ annexes, company registration, financial statements, bank accounts, contracts signed with clients in Iraq, company profile including the number of staff... etc)
- Bid documents required, shall be included as an attachment to the e-mail in PDF format, or the same type of files provided as a ZIP file. Documents in MS Word or Excel and other types of formats will result in the bid being disqualified.
- Email attachments shall not exceed 20MB; otherwise, the Bidder shall send the bids in multiple emails. Emails attachments exceeding 20MB will not be received in the GIZ mailbox.
- All documents should be signed and stamped

Failure to comply with the above may disqualify the Bid

3.2 Deadline for Submission

Complete Bids must be received no later than **17:00 local time on Sunday, October 27, 2024**

Any BID received after the deadline might not be considered; however, If the deadline date was on a weekend or unexpected public holiday, the tender submission will be shifted to the following working day.

4. Bid Currency

The bid's prices, costs, charges, discounts, and other financial aspects shall be indicated in **IQD**.

5. Tender submission Cost

The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of the tender.

6. Bid Language

The bid prepared by the Bidder and all documents relating to the bid shall be written in the English language.

7. Correction or Modification

Subsequent corrections, modifications, and additions to the technical offers bid can be considered only if the GIZ receives them before the deadline submission to this e-mail, iq_quotation@giz.de. The e-mail subject is (Amendment - 83475059_Internet Service for GIZ Erbil office).

The bidding documents shall contain no alterations, omissions, or additions, except those to comply with conditions issued by the GIZ or as necessary to correct errors made by the Bidder, in which case such corrections shall be initiated by the person or persons signing the bidding documents.

The bid must be based on Annex 3 - General terms and conditions for providing of services on behalf of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH. In the event of an award of a contract, they would become an integral part.

8. Content of Bid

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Please refer to Annex 1 – Terms of Reference for more details.

- A project-related presentation of the Bidder with a description of workgroups taking part, divisions, or other organizational units, if possible, in the form of an organizational chart, and distribution of staff members to these organizational units with their respective qualifications and experience, the number of company's employees should be stated.
- Local Bank accounts must be under company name data with all details from a local bank (Bank Name, Account Holder, IBAN, SWIFT CODE).

To be potentially qualified for the award of the contract, the Bidders shall:

- Provide all relevant local legal documents of the expert and all worldwide valid ID, which includes place (Passport and National ID), All documents must be valid.

Failure to submit all required documents signed will result in the disqualification of the whole bid.

8.2 Content of the Financial Offer

- The price offer must contain all costs in (**Iraqi Dinars IQD**), as specified in the Annex 2 - Bid Form and must signed and stamped
- All the prices that would be stated in the offer, shall be free of taxes and other public charges that cannot be exempted and must be paid.

9. Validity of Bid

Bids shall remain valid for **90 days** after the deadline for submission of bids, subject to extension.

10. No Commitment

GIZ reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, cancel the bidding process, and reject all bids at any time prior to the award of the contract – in case the process is not following GIZ's basic principles of procurement and/or other related serious reasons for rejection or cancellation – without thereby incurring any liability to the bidders.

GIZ is not responsible for fluctuations in the prices of any items in the local and international markets during the contract period and the Offeror is obliged to the proposed price according to the contract and until the end of the contract period between the parties.

11. Bid Evaluation

11.1 Phase 1 – Administrative Evaluation

To be considered eligible and administratively accepted, please follow the instructions below:

Criterion	معیار	Tick the box if Attached
Company registration certificate from the Ministry of Communication	شهادة تسجيل الشركة من وزارة الاتصالات	☐
Tax Clearance	التخليص الضريبي (عدم الممانعة/إمكانه)	☐
Valid bank account under bidder's name	حساب مصرفي فعال بإسم مقدم العرض	☐
Annual Turnover or Audited financial statements of the last 3 years	العائد السنوي او الميزانية عامة لآخر ٣ سنوات (ينطبق على الشركات فقط)	☐
Similar contracts (Minimum 3 contracts)	عقود مماثلة (الحد الأدنى ٣ عقود)	☐
Provide three reference projects in Internet Service in Business Space (not fiber to the home service "FTTH")		☐

The bids received will be filtered through the above criteria. In this step, the criteria of **pass/fail** (Yes/No) will be applied, and the interested bidders must carefully follow the above criteria. The offers with "**No**" mean the relevant documents are missing and will not be considered in the next evaluation phases. Any lack of documents indicates that the company did not read and follow the instructions as requested.

The bidder must fill, sign, and stamp all tender annexes.

The average amount of annual turnovers must be above or equal to 100,000,000 Iraqi Dinars

The average amount of similar contracts must be above or equal to 55,000,000 Iraqi Dinars

Tax Clearance (عدم الممانعة/إمكانه) must be at least valid until 31.12.2024.

The Company Profile, which encompasses an overview of the company's strategies, mission, and vision, along with a Diagram with the structure of each unit and staff member (maximum 5 pages)

GIZ encourages legal firms to submit bids utilizing professional domains.

All companies must include signatures below the email, comprising the name of the officer/manager, position, phone number, and official company address.

GIZ retains the right to conduct phone inquiries with any companies to verify the information furnished by the bidder. Any ambiguous responses or disparities observed between the documents submitted and the bidder's answers may result in excluding the company from the competition.

11.2 Phase 3 – Technical evaluation (N/A)

11.3 Phase 4 – Financial evaluation (100%)

The Basis of the award is full-price competition. The awarded Bidder will be selected based on lowest price

12. Tender Result

Suppose the Bidder does not receive any written award notice within 90 days. In that case, it means GIZ has not accepted the bid, the Bidder will **not** receive any separate notification, and only awarded Bidder will be officially informed by GIZ.

13. Contract

After the evaluations are completed, GIZ reserves the right to share the notice award email with the most compliant Bidder based on the **accepted financial offer, and prices indicated in Annex 2 – Bid form**. **After fulfilling the administration and eligibility requirements**, the notice award email is to invite the awarded Company to the GIZ country office – in Iraq to sign the Contract and special agreement, and then the Contractor can start the implementation.

14. Payment Terms

- Payment will be issued only through Bank transfer.
- Payment will be released based on the negotiated payment plan.
- All the services are against proof of Evidence , payment occurs when services are rendered and quality accepted.
- There is no provision of verbal agreement, therefore, both parties must mutually agree on any changes and document them in written form
- GIZ will not be responsible if the local Bank of the Contractor converts the payments into another currency. The contractor is not entitled to claim any charges or fees deducted by the Bank due to the exchange and/or transfer of payments.
- The normal terms of payment by GIZ are 30 (thirty) days, upon satisfactory delivery of goods or performance of services. Bidders must therefore clearly specify in their bid the payment terms being offered.
- Any attempt to submit fraudulent or fake proofs of payment evidence including invoices, bills, receipts...etc. will be thoroughly validated and investigated by GIZ; the contractor will be subject to non-compliant behavior and therefore prohibited from further tender invitations.

15. Cancellation of tender and Service contract

15.1 The tender can be cancelled, if:

- No bids have been received which corresponds to the bidding conditions.
- There have been substantial changes during the tender
- All technically acceptable tenders exceed the financial resources available.
- There are other serious reasons for such cancellation.

16. Supplier Information Form

Section 1: General Information	
Bidder's Name	
Full Address	Country: Street: City: Office No:
Phone/Fax Numbers	Phone: Email: Website:
Company Owner's Information	Full Name: Phone No: Email: Current address:
Stakeholder's Name	Full Name: Phone No: Email: Position Held:
Number of Staff	
Number of Locations	
Year established	
Type of business	

Section 2: Bank Account information	
Account Name	
Bank Name and Address	
Account NO	
IBAN	
Swift Code	

17. Tender Submission Checklist

We, the Bidder, acknowledge that we have provided all of the required information and supporting evidence:

Required Document/ Evidence	Please tick if provided	Justification if proof is not provided
Requirement #1 (According to clause 11.1)		
Approved GIZ Tender Annexes	☐	
Formal and Eligibility Requirements	☐	
Requirement #3 (According to clause 11.3)		
Financial Bid	☐	

I/We acknowledge our understanding and acceptance of the GIZ General Conditions of Contract, and all the conditions described in this ITT. We also confirm that the above-mentioned Company has not engaged in corrupt, fraudulent, collusive, or coercive practices in competing for, or executing, any Contracts and has never been in any dispute with any Governmental Agency nor international aid organization.

DECLARATION I/we the undersigned state that the above information is correct and that I/we give the right to GIZ to seek any references concerning my/our company from whatever sources deemed relevant.

Name of Bidder

Name of Authorized Manager

Function Title

Authorized Signature and Stamp

Date