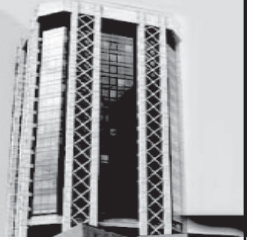




NOTICE



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST CONTRACTORS

The Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago invites Contractors to submit an **Expression of Interest (EOI)** to provide Construction Services for the Construction of an Executive Residence for the Bank. **Submissions should** include the following documents:

- A brief history/profile of the company or firm including Key Personnel and available Plant and Equipment.
- Proof of ability to finance and construct building works in the range between Ten and Twenty Million Trinidad and Tobago Dollars (TT\$10M -TT\$20M).
- Proven work experience in the construction of Buildings of High Quality and Importance in the Value Range Specified.
- Evidence of Occupational Health and Safety Management.
- Registration details of the Company – Copy of the Certificate of incorporation/Continuance.
- VAT Registration Certificate.
- Copy of BIR Clearance Certificate.
- Copy of NIS Compliance Certificate.
- Four (4) recent client references for similar works complete with names and telephone numbers of referees.
- Bank References demonstrating capability to finance works in the Value Range Specified.

Shortlisted firms may be subsequently invited to prequalify and tender for services; Commencement of services is anticipated to be **January, 2013**.

Instructions to Respondents:

1. Your EOI should be submitted in one sealed envelope addressed and labeled as follows:

**The Secretary
Tenders Committee
Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago
Eric Williams Plaza
Independence Square
Port of Spain**

**“EXPRESSION OF INTEREST -
CONSTRUCTION OF AN EXECUTIVE RESIDENCE
FOR THE CENTRAL BANK OF
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO”**

The name of the Responder should be clearly marked on this envelope. All envelopes are to be placed in the brown Tender Box located at the ground floor, Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Eric Williams Plaza, Independence Square, Port of Spain.

2. The envelope in 1 above should contain two (2) No. separate sealed envelopes clearly marked as follows:
 - (i) The Expression of Interest
 - (ii) Certificates

The “Certificates” envelope must contain the following:

- A) Income Tax Clearance Certificate in the name of the organization submitting the Expression of Interest,
- B) VAT Clearance Certificate in the name of the organization submitting the Expression of Interest,
- C) National Insurance Board of Trinidad and Tobago Certificate of Compliance in the name of the organization submitting the Expression of Interest.

All of these must be valid as at the date of the opening.

Certificates issued in a name other than that used to indicate interest would result in the rejection of the Expression of Interest.

Please be advised that the Central Bank’s criteria for the acceptance of Banks and Insurance Companies that provide Surety to Contractors are as follows:

- (i) With respect to Commercial Banks, bonds would be accepted where shareholders equity is at least TT\$100 Million Dollars.
- (ii) For Insurance Companies, paid up capital plus free reserves must be at least TT\$30 Million and certification by the Inspector of Financial Institutions approving the Company’s capacity to issue the bond and that the requisite re-insurance is in place, is required.

Responders may be required to demonstrate their ability to provide the service.

Late Proposals

Expressions of Interest received after the Closing Time and Date specified will not be considered. Any late EOI shall be returned unopened to the firm submitting. Late submissions will not be accepted in any circumstances. Further note that:

- (i) The costs of preparing a EOI for the captioned project is not reimbursable; and

- (ii) The Bank is not bound to accept the EOI submitted.

Responsibilities of the Firm Responding

It is the responsibility of the Responder before submitting an EOI to:

- Examine thoroughly this Invitation;
- Ensure that it can meet all conditions that may affect cost, progress and performance of the Services;
- Consider local laws and regulations that may affect cost, progress and performance of the services and implementation of the project;
- Study and carefully correlate the Respondent’s Skills and Competencies with the Expression of Interest for the proposed works.

Failure to Provide Information

No allowance will be made after the submission date for any omission or error due to failure, neglect or omission to have done anything referred to in the paragraph above.

Failure to provide information that is essential in the evaluation of this EOI may result in rejection of the EOI.

Respondent’s Representation

By submitting its Expression of Interest to the Bank, each Respondent represents and warrants to the Bank that the information in its EOI is accurate and complete and by presenting its response represents that it has read and understands this Request for Expressions of Interest and that its Expression of Interest is presented in accordance with it.

Right to Cancel Request for Tender and to Accept Proposals

The Bank is entitled to cancel this Expression of Interest at any time by Addendum issued to the Tenderer, without liability for any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred or suffered by any Tenderer as a result of that cancellation.

Expressions of interest must be placed in the Tender Box at the Ground Floor located at the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Eric Williams Plaza, Port of Spain, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. **and submitted no later than 1:00 p.m. on 26th October, 2012.**