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## Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries

## Invitation for Bid (Works)

## **SAMOA**

Samoa Agriculture & Fisheries Productivity and Marketing Project (SAFPROM)

Grant No: IDA-DA380 & COFN-C1600

Project ID No: P165873

Activity Title: Construction of MAF Savaii Headquarters (HQ) including Design Review & Finalisation Ref. No: WS-MAF-446659-CW-RFQ

- 1. The Government of Samoa has received a [Grant] from the International Development Association toward the cost of The Samoa Agriculture & Fisheries Productivity and Marketing Project (SAFPROM), and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this [Grant] to payments under the Contract for the Construction of the new MAF Savaii Headquarters including the Design Review & Finalisation.
- 2. Construction (incl. Design Review & Finalisation) will begin on 4th November 2024 and will be completed by 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025.
- 3. Interested qualified eligible contractors are invited to request a copy of the bidding documents for a fee of ST\$ 100.00.
- 4. To be considered eligible a contractor must:
  - a. Be registered as a Category A building contractor with the MWTI Building Contractor Register 2024
  - b. Not be under any notice of disbarment issued by the Government of Samoa, and the World Bank
  - c. **Not be declared bankrupt** or insolvent by a competent authority
  - d. **Demonstrate that they are paying taxes** to the Government
  - e. Have not breached any E&S requirements in any previous World Bank projects which include Code of Conduct and Sexual Harassment/Sexual Abuse conditions/requirements.
- 5. To be considered qualified a contractor must
  - a. Have completed within the last 10 years at least one contract of a similar nature of at least 50% of the value of the bid
  - b. The proposed project design and works manager must have at least 3 years of experience in design and construction works of an equivalent nature and volume and no less than one year as a manager.
  - c. Must demonstrate to have or plan to acquire plant and equipment and key materials (i.e. steel beams & columns) required for the work
  - d. Must demonstrate to have adequate funds or access to funds (incl. letter of Credit from bank) to demonstrate that he has funds of at least ST\$ 1.5m to finance at least two months cash flow required for the project.
  - e. Documentary evidence to demonstrate the bidder's qualifications must be submitted with the bid.
- 6. Bids must be delivered to the address given below at or before 11:00am local time on Monday



the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2024. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened in public immediately thereafter at the same address in the presence of the Bidders' representatives and the project's beneficiaries from the concerned local community who choose to attend shall be allowed to be present in person.

- 7. The Employer shall award the Contract to the Bidder whose offer has been determined to be the lowest evaluated bid and is substantially responsive to the Bidding Documents, provided further that the Bidder is determined to be qualified to perform the Contract satisfactorily.
- 8. All bids must be accompanied by a bid securing declaration as described in the bidding documents, any bid not accompanied by one will be rejected as non-responsive.
- 9. The address where the document may be inspected and obtained (upon payment at the cashier from 10:00 am 3:00 pm) is: MAF Main Office, TATTE Building level 4 Right Wing, Sogi. Contact Project Senior Procurement Officer Tusiata Lemuelu, email: tusiata.lemuelu@maf.gov.ws, telephone: 28537/38650.
- 10. In case of any difficulty in obtaining the bidding documents, interested parties may contact in writing *Project Coordinator/APMD ACEO Auimatagi Luaiufi Aiono, email:* luaiufi.aiono@maf.gov.ws or telephone: 28537/38650.
- 11. The address for bid submission and bid opening is: Chairperson of the Samoa National Tenders Board. (Attention: The Secretary, Tenders Board. 4th Floor, Central Bank Building of Samoa, Beach Road, Apia, Samoa.
- 12. The GOS and the World Bank will respectively declare a firm ineligible either indefinitely or for a stated period of time, to be awarded a contract funded by the GOS and the World Bank, if it at any time determines that the firm has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent, coercive or collusive practices in competing for or in executing a contract. It is the World Bank's policy to require you to observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement as the provisions on fraud and corruption specified in Attachment.

Sincerely,

Dr. Seuseu Tauati

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER