

Expression of Interest (EOI)

For

Cable Manufacturing and assemblies

EOI No. 8036/05/05/2021

Date of Issue	21 April 2021	
Closing Date	5 May 2021 at 16h30	
Place	Electronically – tender@csir.co.za	
Enquiries	Strategic Procurement Unit	E-mail: tender@csir.co.za
CSIR business hours	08h00 – 16h30	
Category	Engineering	

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SECTION A – TECHNICAL INFORMATION

1 INTRODUCTION

The Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) is one of the leading scientific research and technology development organisations in Africa. In partnership with national and international research and technology institutions, CSIR undertakes directed and multidisciplinary research and technology innovation that contributes to the improvement of the quality of life of South Africans. The CSIR's main site is in Pretoria while it is represented in other provinces of South Africa through regional offices.

2 BACKGROUND

This is an expression of interest for the manufacture of military grade cables and assemblies for the CSIR and its clients.

3 INVITATION FOR EXPRESION OF INTEREST

Expressions of Interests are hereby invited for the manufacture of military grade cable and assemblies.

4 EOI SPECIFICATION

All proposals are to be submitted in the format specified in this this document. However, applicants are welcome to submit additional / alternative information over and above the originally specified format.

Cable Specifications

The cables harness assemblies consist of aerospace and subsea connectors or equivalent and should comply with IPC/WHMA-A-620. The harness should be built to the requirements of the manufacturing drawing.

5 FUNCTIONAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

5.1 The evaluation of the functional / technical detail of the EOI will be based on the requirements listed in the table below:

Requirement	Acceptance Criteria	Weight	Score
The applicant must have a minimum of 5 years cable harness manufacturing experience	<p>Proof of 5 years work experience.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Less than 5 year's work experience (0) • 5 years or more work experience (100) 	15%	1
Provide examples (Pictures) of Military grade harness assemblies using MIL-DTL-38999.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pictures/evidence. (0) • One or two pictures of harness containing similar connector. (50) • Clear pictures showing harness with correct connector meeting IPC/WHMA-A-620 class 3.. (70) • High quality and clear pictures showing procedural steps with neat end product meeting IPC/WHMA-A-620 class 3. (100) 	10%	2
Provide examples (Pictures) of Military grade harness assemblies comprising of MIL-DTL-26482 Series II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pictures/evidence. (0) • One or two low resolution pictures of harness containing similar connector. (50) • Clear pictures showing harness with correct connector meeting IPC/WHMA-A-620 class 3. (70) <p>High quality and clear pictures showing procedural steps with neat end product meeting IPC/WHMA-A-620 class 3. (100)</p>	10%	3
Provide examples (Pictures) of marine grade harness assemblies comprising of MacArtney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pictures/evidence (0) • One or two low resolution pictures of harness containing similar connector. (50) 	10%	4

SubConn Micro Circular or Circular series.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear pictures showing harness with correct connector meeting IPC/WHMA-A-620 class 3. (70) • High quality and clear pictures showing procedural steps with neat end product meeting IPC/WHMA-A-620 class 3. (100) 		
Cable splicing examples (solders and crimp)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pictures/evidence (0) • One or two pictures of harness with wire splicing examples. (50) • Clear pictures harness with wire splicing examples meeting IPC/WHMA-A-620 class 3. (70) • High quality and clear pictures showing procedural steps with neat end product meeting IPC/WHMA-A-620 class 3. (100) 	20%	5
Provide evidence of Quality Assurance procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No documentation(0) • Documented procedures (50) • Complying or submitted ISO 9001 certification application (70) • Valid ISO 9001 certification or equivalent (100) 	25%	6
The applicant must provide at least three references.	<p>The applicant must provide three references of satisfied customers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No references provided (0) • One reference provided (25) • Two references provided (50) • Three references provided (100) 	10%	7
TOTAL		100%	100

5.2 Proposals with functionality / technical points of less than the pre-determined minimum overall percentage of 70% and less than 50% on any of the individual criteria will be eliminated from further evaluation.

5.3 The selected applicant must sign a non-disclosure agreement with the CSIR.

6 ELIMINATION CRITERIA

Proposals will be eliminated under the following conditions:

- Submission after the deadline
- Proposals submitted at incorrect location
- No IPC/WHMA-A-620 certification.
- Non-submission of the declaration certificate for local content (MBD/SBD 6.2 and annexure C)

7 NATIONAL TREASURY CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE REGISTRATION

Before any negotiations will start with the winning bidder it will be required from the winning bidder to:

- be registered on National Treasury's Central Supplier Database (CSD). Registrations can be completed online at: www.csd.gov.za;
- provide the CSIR of their CSD registration number; and
- provide the CSIR with a certified copy of their B-BBEE certificate. If no certificate can be provided, no points will be scored during the evaluation process.

SECTION B – TERMS AND CONDITIONS

8 VENUE FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

- All proposals must be submitted electronically at: tender@csir.co.za
- If document exceeds 30MB multiple emails may be sent

9 EOI PROGRAMME

The program, as currently envisaged, incorporates the following key dates:

- Issue of documents: 21 April 2021
- Last date for enquiries 30 April 2021
- Closing / submission Date: 5 May 2021
- Estimated contract duration (in months) 24 months

10 SUBMISSION OF RESPONSES

10.1 All proposals are to be sealed. No open proposals will be accepted.

10.2 All proposals are to be clearly marked with the EOI number and the name of the tenderer on the outside of the main package.

PART 1: Technical Proposal: EOI No.: 8036/05/05/2021

PART 2: B-BBEE and other Mandatory Documentation: EOI No.: 8036/05/05/2021

10.3 Proposals submitted by companies must be signed by a person or persons duly authorised.

10.4 The CSIR will award the contract to qualified tenderer(s)' whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the CSIR, taking into consideration the technical (functional) solution and B-BBEE.

11 DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

Proposals shall be submitted at the address mentioned above no later than the closing date of 5 May 2021 during CSIR's business hours. The CSIR business hours are between 08h00 and 16h30.

Where a proposal is not received by the CSIR by the due date and stipulated place, it will be regarded as a late tender. Late tenders will not be considered.

12 EVALUATION PROCESS

- 12.1 All proposals will be evaluated by an evaluation team for functionality and B-BBEE. Based on the results of the evaluation process and upon successful negotiations, the CSIR will approve the awarding of the contract to successful applicants.

13 ENQUIRIES AND CONTACT WITH THE CSIR

Any enquiry regarding this EOI shall be submitted in writing to CSIR at tender@csir.co.za with “EOI No 8036/05/05/2021 – for cable manufacturing” as the subject.

Any other contact with CSIR personnel involved in this tender is not permitted during the EOI process other than as required through existing service arrangements or as requested by the CSIR as part of the EOI process.

14 MEDIUM OF COMMUNICATION

All documentation submitted in response to this EOI must be in English.

15 COST OF EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Tenderers are expected to fully acquaint themselves with the conditions, requirements and specifications of this EOI before submitting proposals. Each tenderer assumes all risks for resource commitment and expenses, direct or indirect, of proposal preparation and participation throughout the EOI process. The CSIR is not responsible directly or indirectly for any costs incurred by tenderers.

16 CORRECTNESS OF RESPONSES

- 16.1 The service provider must confirm satisfaction regarding the correctness and validity of their EOI.

17 VERIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS

17.1 Tenderers should check the numbers of the pages to satisfy themselves that none are missing or duplicated. No liability will be accepted by the CSIR in regard to anything arising from the fact that pages are missing or duplicated.

18 SUB-CONTRACTING

18.1 A tenderer will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the tender documents that such a tenderer intends sub-contracting more than **25%** of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a tenderer qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an exempted micro enterprise that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

18.2 A tenderer awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than **25%** of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the person concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an exempted micro enterprise that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

19 ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANTS

The consultants will only be remunerated at the rates:

19.1 Determined in the "Guideline for fees", issued by the South African Institute of Chartered Accountants (SAICA); or

19.2 Set out in the "Guide on Hourly Fee Rates for Consultants", by the Department of Public Service and Administration (DPSA); or

19.3 Prescribed by the body - regulating the profession of the consultant.

20 TRAVEL EXPENSES

20.1 All travel expenses for the CSIR's account, be it directly via the CSIR's travel agent or indirectly via re-imbursements, must be in line with the CSIR's travel policy. The following will apply:

20.1.1 Only economy class tickets will be used.

20.1.2 A maximum of R1400 per night for accommodation, dinner, breakfast and parking will be allowed.

20.1.3 No car rentals of more than a Group B will be accommodated.

21 ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

21.1 A tenderer shall not assume that information and/or documents supplied to CSIR, at any time prior to this request, are still available to CSIR, and shall consequently not make any reference to such information document in its response to this request.

21.2 Copies of any affiliations, memberships and/or accreditations that support your submission must be included in the tender.

21.3 In case of proposal from a joint venture, the following must be submitted together with the proposal:

- Joint venture Agreement including split of work signed by both parties;
- The original or certified copy of the B-BBEE certificate of the joint venture;
- The Tax Clearance Certificate of each joint venture member;
- Proof of ownership/shareholder certificates/copies; and
- Company registration certificates.

21.4 An omission to disclose material information, a factual inaccuracy, and/or a misrepresentation of fact may result in the disqualification of a tender, or cancellation of any subsequent contract.

21.5 Failure to comply with any of the terms and conditions as set out in this document will invalidate the Proposal.

22 CSIR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO

22.1 Extend the closing date;

22.2 Verify any information contained in a proposal;

22.3 Request documentary proof regarding any tendering issue;

22.4 Give preference to locally manufactured goods;

22.5 Appoint one or more service providers, separately or jointly (whether or not they submitted a joint proposal);

22.6 Award this EOI as a whole or in part;

22.7 Cancel or withdraw this EOI as a whole or in part.

23 DISCLAIMER

This EOI is an expression of interest only and not an offer document. Answers to this EOI must not be construed as acceptance of an offer or imply the existence of a contract between the parties. By submission of its proposal, tenderers shall be deemed to have satisfied themselves with and to have accepted all Terms & Conditions of this EOI. The CSIR makes no representation, warranty, assurance, guarantee or endorsements to tenderer concerning the EOI, whether with regard to its accuracy, completeness or otherwise and the CSIR shall have no liability towards the tenderer or any other party in connection therewith.

24 Annexures

Annexure C, D, E,
MBD/SBD 6.2 form,
NT designated sectors instruction number 5 of 2016-2017

DECLARATION BY TENDERER

Only tenderers who completed the declaration below will be considered for evaluation.

EOI No: 8036/05/05/2021

I hereby undertake to render services described in the attached tendering documents to CSIR in accordance with the requirements and task directives / proposal specifications stipulated in the EOI No. 8036/05/05/2021 at the price/s quoted. My offer/s remains binding upon me and open for acceptance by the CSIR during the validity period indicated and calculated from the closing date of the proposal.

I confirm that I am satisfied with regards to the correctness and validity of my proposal; that the price(s) and rate(s) quoted cover all the services specified in the proposal documents; that the price(s) and rate(s) cover all my obligations and I accept that any mistakes regarding price(s) and rate(s) and calculations will be at my own risk.

I accept full responsibility for the proper execution and fulfilment of all obligations and conditions devolving on me under this proposal as the principal liable for the due fulfilment of this proposal.

I declare that I have no participation in any collusive practices with any tenderer or any other person regarding this or any other proposal.

I accept that the CSIR may take appropriate actions, deemed necessary, should there be a conflict of interest or if this declaration proves to be false.

I confirm that I am duly authorised to sign this proposal.

NAME (PRINT)

CAPACITY

SIGNATURE

NAME OF FIRM

DATE

WITNESSES	
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DATE:	