EXPRESSION OF INTEREST
CSIR Environmental Laboratories

Constituted by an Act of Parliament in 1945 as a science council, the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) undertakes directed and particularly multidisciplinary research and technological innovation, as well as industrial and scientific development to improve the quality of life of the people of South Africa.

The CSIR Environmental Laboratories provide routine analytical testing services in the fields of inorganic, organic and microbiological analysis of water, wastewater, seawater and sediments to customers in the public and private sectors.

The objective of this process is to solicit information to enable the CSIR to identify and assess a suitably qualified and financially sustainable investor within the Testing Laboratories industry or related sector, who may be interested in purchasing the business of the CSIR Environmental Laboratories located in Pretoria and Durban, with a commitment to continue with the service offerings of the CSIR Environmental Laboratories on terms and conditions that are acceptable to the CSIR.

Interested investors are referred to the dates hereunder. Interested parties that do not comply with dates and times will be automatically disqualified.

Date of issue: 6 October 2019
Date to register interest: No later than 16:00 on 18 October 2019
Method of submission of interest: E-mail to Riaan Bergh, at rbergh@csir.co.za
Communication to qualifying investors: 1 November 2019
Compulsory briefing session: By invitation only to qualifying investors
Date and time to be confirmed

NB: Qualifying investors will be required to sign a confidentiality agreement.

Qualifying Criteria:
- Proven track record and active participation in the Testing Laboratories industry or related sector; and
- Adequate financial resources.

Information required for Round 1: Registration of Expression of Interest
- Corporate information of interested party;
- Summary of experience and track record in the Testing Laboratories industry or related sector;
- Financial information (e.g. audited annual financial report); and
- Technical expertise, capability, resources and infrastructure to continue with the service offerings of the CSIR Environmental Laboratories.

The CSIR reserves the right not to accept any Expressions of Interest or to conclude the sale of the CSIR Environmental Laboratories at any stage.