



GOVERNMENT OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS
VIRGIN ISLANDS RECOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
PROJECT: REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION LOAN – HURRICANE IRMA
CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW ESLYN HENLEY RICHIEZ LEARNING CENTRE

INVITATION FOR BIDS NO. RDA/CDB/IFB/2022/007/NCB

The Government of the British Virgin Islands (GOVI) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in an amount equivalent to US\$65,291,000 towards the cost of the CDB No. 12/SRF-OR-BVI: Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Loan – Hurricane Irma Project (the Project) and intends to apply a portion of the proceeds of this financing to eligible payments under a contract for which this invitation is issued. Payment by CDB will be made only at the request of GOVI and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreement. The Financing Agreement prohibits withdrawal from the financing account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GOVI shall derive any rights from the Financing Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Financing.

The Project is being implemented by the Virgin Islands Recovery and Development Agency (RDA). RDA has contracted Consultants who will assist the RDA with delivering the Project. The Consultants have prepared designs and contract documentation and will assist in tender administration and evaluation and supervise Project activities.

RDA now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the construction of the new Esllyn Henley Richiez Learning Centre. The works include, but are not limited to the following:

Demolition of existing structure, site clearance and construction of a school.

Consideration will be limited to firms or joint ventures of firms, which are legally incorporated or otherwise organised in, and have their principal place of business in an eligible country and are either:

- (a) more than 50% beneficially owned by a citizen or citizens and/or a bona fide resident or residents of an eligible country, or by a body corporate or bodies corporate meeting these requirements; or
- (b) owned or controlled by the Government of an eligible country provided that it is legally and financially autonomous and operated under the commercial law of an eligible country and otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of the CDB Guidelines for Procurement (2006).

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB.

Eligible bidders will be required to submit full qualification information with their bids establishing their eligibility to bid and qualification to perform the contract if the bid is accepted. Tender and qualification information are to be submitted in the English Language on the prescribed forms inserted in the Bid Documents. Submissions that do not provide the information required, or do not demonstrate the prospective contractor's ability to perform satisfactorily, will not qualify and will not be considered for further evaluation.

Qualification requirements include, inter alia:

General Experience:

Experience under construction contracts in the role of contractor, JV member, subcontractor, or management contractor for at least the last five [5] years prior to the applications submission deadline, and with activity in at least nine (9) months in each year.

Specific Experience:

A minimum number of **two (2)** similar contracts specified below that have been satisfactorily and substantially completed as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor or subcontractor between 1st January 2017 and bid submission deadline:

- (i) Two (2) contracts, each of minimum value **USD 2,600,000.00**

Financial Capacity:

- (a) an average annual turnover (defined as certified payments received for works in progress or completed) within the last 3 years of at least Two Million, Five Hundred and Fifty-six thousand United States dollars (**USD 2,556,000**).
- (b) a demonstrable cash flow (including access to credit) of **USD 530,000.00**; and
- (c) experience as prime contractor in the construction of at least one (1) assignment of a nature, scope and complexity comparable to the proposed project activity within the last five (5) years (to comply with this requirement, works quoted should be at least 80 percent complete).

Bidding Documents may be obtained by eligible bidders from the first address below at no cost to the Bidder. Requests may be made by written application including email. Written applications must be clearly marked: “**Request for Bidding Documents for the construction of the new Eslyn Henley Richiez Learning Centre**”, along with the name, address and contact information of the bidder for which Bidding Documents are being requested.

Bid documents will be available at the address below, from **11th July 2022**, on week day between 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Bidding documents will be sent to bidders electronically upon request to procurement@bvirecovery.vg with the subject title “**Request for Bidding Documents for the for the construction of the new Eslyn Henley Richiez Learning Centre**”.

Applicants who request that documents be forwarded to them must submit an account number from a local courier agent that accepts freight collect charges. Documents will be promptly dispatched, but under no circumstance will the GOVI or the RDA or their authorised agent be held responsible for late delivery or loss of the documents so transmitted.

The Pre-Bid/Site Visit meeting will take place on **21st July 2022** at **10:00 AM** at the Eslyn Henley Richiez Learning Centre site, Road Town, Tortola VG1110, British Virgin Islands.

Submissions in sealed envelopes clearly marked “**Bid for the for the construction of the new Eslyn Henley Richiez Learning Centre**”, must be received at the address below not later than **10:00 AM** on **18th August 2022**. Bid opening will take place immediately after the deadline for submission at the first address below in the presence of bidders’ representatives who choose to attend. In accordance with the instructions of the bidding document (Ref. ITB 21.1 (a)), one (1) original and two (2) copies plus one (1) soft copy (flash drive) of bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope, with the name and address of the bidder, and be clearly marked.

All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the amount of **three percent (3%)** of the total Bid price **or** a Bid-Securing Declaration. **Non-submission of Bid Security or the Bid Securing Declaration will result in rejection of your bid.**

The RDA reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected prospective bidder(s) or any obligation to inform the affected prospective bidder(s) of the grounds for RDA action. RDA will not defray any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of bids.

1. **Address for Correspondence, Bid Submission and Bid Opening**

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