INVITATION TO BID

The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), through the General Appropriations Act for CY 2015, intends to apply the sum of Twenty Nine Million Two Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Eighty One Pesos and 81/100 Only (Php29,268,581.81) being the Approved Budget for the Contract (ABC), to payment for the procurement of starter toolkits for the Special Training for Employment Program (STEP) – re-bidding of ten (10) lots. Bids received in excess of the ABC shall be automatically rejected at the bid opening.

TESDA now invites suppliers to apply for eligibility and to bid for the procurement of starter toolkits for the Special Training for Employment Program (STEP) – re-bidding of ten (10) lots.

Bidders must have completed at least one (1) contract that is similar to the contract to be bid within five (5) year period from the date of the bid opening and whose value must be at least fifty percent (50%) of the ABC. The description of an eligible bidder is contained in the Bidding Documents, particularly in Section II of the Instructions to Bidders.

Bidding will be conducted through public bidding using a non-discretionary "pass/fail" criterion as prescribed by the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (RIRR) of Republic Act No. 9184, otherwise known as the Government Procurement Reform Act.

The bidding shall be done by lot. Each qualification shall consist of one (1) lot. There are ten (10) qualifications totalling to ten (10) lots. Only bids for all the items for each lot/qualification shall be accepted by the Procuring Entity. Bidders may bid for multiple lots/qualifications where they think they are capable of supplying.

A complete set of Bidding Documents may be purchased by interested Bidders beginning on **08 January 2016** from the address written below and upon payment of a non-refundable fee relative to the cost of the Bidding Documents which shall be based on the following standard rates:

Approved Budget for the Contract	Maximum Cost of Bidding Documents (in Philippine Peso)
500,000 and below	500.00
More than 500,000 up to 1 Million	1,000.00
More than 1 Million up to 5 Million	5,000.00
More than 5 Million up to 10 Million	10,000.00
More than 10 Million up to 50 Million	25,000.00
More than 50 Million up to 500 Million	50,000.00

Approved Budget for the Contract	Maximum Cost of Bidding Documents (in Philippine Peso)
More than 500 Million	75,000.00

The amount of the Bidding Documents shall depend on the ABC of the lot/s that will be participated in by the prospective Bidder. At any rate, the standard rates as provided by the Government Procurement Policy Board (GPPB) shall apply.

TESDA will hold a Pre-Bid Conference on **18 January 2016, 2:00 p.m.** at the CSA Conference Room, 2nd Floor, TESDA Administration Building, Taguig City, which shall be open to all interested parties who have purchased the Bidding Documents.

Bids must be submitted to the BAC Secretariat, CSA Conference Room, 2nd Floor, TESDA Administration Building, Taguig City, on or before **03 February 2016 at 2:00 p.m.** All bids must be accompanied by a bid security in any of the acceptable forms and in the amount stated in Clause 18 of Instructions to Bidders.

Bid opening shall be held on **03 February 2016 at 2:15 p.m.** at the CSA Conference Room, 2nd Floor, TESDA Administration Building, Taguig City where the bids will be opened in the presence of the Bidders' representatives. Late bids shall not be accepted.

All particulars relative to the Eligibility Statement and Screening, Bid Security, Performance Security, Pre-Bid Conference, Evaluation of Bids, Post-Qualification and Award of Contract shall be governed by the pertinent provisions of Republic Act No. 9184 and its Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations.

TESDA reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, to annul the bidding process, and to reject all bids at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders.

TESDA assumes no responsibility whatsoever to compensate or indemnify bidders for any expenses incurred in the preparation of their bids.

For further information, please refer to:

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