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Subject: **Invitation for Bid (IFB)**

**IFB-CO-15577-SSSB : Reorganisation of Ship-Shore-Ship Buffer (SSSB)
Capability Including Associated Communications Systems**

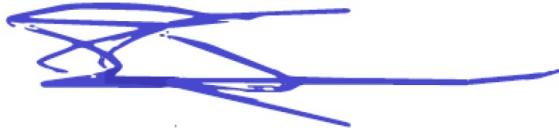
References A- AC/4-D/2261 (1996 Edition)
 B- NOI IFB-CO-15577-SSSB- Amdt 1, dated 11 Nov 2021

1. With Reference A, the NCI Agency notified its intention to release an Invitation for Bid for the subject effort. In response to such a notification, your national authorities nominated your firm as a potential source for this effort.
2. **THE CLOSING TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS IN RESPONSE TO THIS IFB IS 14:00 HOURS (BRUSSELS TIME) ON THURSDAY 19 MAY 2022.**
3. This IFB consists of the Bidding Instructions (Book I) and the Prospective Contract (Book II). The Prospective Contract contains the Schedules, Terms and Conditions of the Contract, as well as the Statement of Work. The Statement of Work sets forth detailed specifications governing the performance requirements of the Contract.
4. In addition a Bidders' Library will be provided to the Bidders upon the return of the duly signed Annex D Non-Disclosure Undertaking of Book I of the IFB. Documents of the Bidder's Library are on a CD that contains documents of the SOW that are not publicly available.
5. Bidders are advised that the overall security classification of this Invitation for Bid is NATO RESTRICTED. Excluding the Bidders' Library which forms an integral part of the IFB, the security classification of this IFB (Book I and Book II) is "NATO UNCLASSIFIED".
6. You are kindly requested to complete and return the enclosed acknowledgement of receipt within 10 calendar days of receipt of this IFB, informing NCI Agency of your intention to bid/not to bid. Your firm is not bound by its initial decision, and if you decide to reverse your stated intention at a later date, you are requested to advise us by separate letter.

7. The reference of this IFB is IFB-CO-15577-SSSB, and all correspondence concerning this IFB should reference this number.
8. This IFB remains the property of the NATO Communication and Information Agency (NCI Agency) and shall be protected in accordance with applicable national security regulations.
9. This IFB does not constitute either a financial or contractual commitment at this stage. Bidders are advised that the NCI Agency reserves the right to cancel this IFB in its entirety and bears no liability for bid preparation costs incurred by firms or any other collateral costs should this IFB be cancelled.
10. The NCI Agency Point of Contact for this procurement is Mr. Martin Steenwege, who can be contacted under Tel. +32 2 707 8335 or e-mail: IFB-CO-15577-SSSB@ncia.nato.int

FOR THE CHIEF OF ACQUISITION

Martin Steenwege
Senior Contracting Officer



Attachment(s):

Annex A- Acknowledgement of Receipt

Annex A**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF IFB-CO-15577-SSSB**

Please complete and return within 10 calendar days by e-mail to

IFB-CO-15577-SSSB@ncia.nato.int

We hereby advise that we have received Invitation for bid IFB-CO-15577-SSSB
on _____, together with all enclosures.

Enclosures:

Annex A- Acknowledgement of Receipt

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

- ☐ As of this date and without commitment on our part, we intend to submit a response
- ☐ We **do not** intend to submit a response
- ☐ We are reviewing the requirements of the prospective IFB and will notify you of our decision as soon as possible

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Company: _____