



National Information and Communications Technology Authority

## **Bids for Connect the Schools Project**

NICTA is calling for bids for the Connect the Schools Project. The document registration number for the project is: **NICTA-UAS-5061950-1-2016-1a**.

This project is collaboration between NICTA and the Department of Education.

Interested bidders or applicants can obtain further information from the following addresses:

Principal Project Engineer - Infrastructure  
Universal Access and Service (UAS) Secretariat  
NICTA Head Office  
Section 34, Allotment 19 & 20, Frangipani Street, Hohola

NICTA  
PO Box 8444, Boroko 111  
National Capital District  
Phone: +675 3033200 / +675 3033279  
E-mail: [wsuti@nicta.gov.pg](mailto:wsuti@nicta.gov.pg)

The eligibility requirements for the project include:

### **1. Financial Capability**

The bidder shall furnish documentary evidence that it has a net worth of not less than K75,000, in order to confirm that it has sufficient financing capacity for the investment required to construct and meet the technical requirements and provide the mandatory services.

The net worth of any shareholder in the bid may be included in the calculation of the net worth of the initial bidder if:

- the shareholder holds or promises to hold a minimum of 1/3 (one third) of the ownership interest (including all forms of ownership interest) in the bidder; and
- a shareholder indicates that it is willing to guarantee the performance of the bidder and provides a written undertaking to this effect for inclusion in the bid and that there are no reasons why the shareholder could not be considered for this purpose.

## 2. Experience and Technical Capacity

The bidder shall furnish documentary evidence to demonstrate that it meets the following experience and staffing requirement(s):

- that it has a minimum of one (1) year's operational experience in the provision of public Internet access and service/s at any other location.
- The bidder may rely on the experience of any shareholder in the bidder's joint venture/partnership , provided that shareholder:
  - is licensed by NICTA;
  - is either a shareholder in the bidder, or has committed in a binding agreement to become a shareholder of the proposed contractor, and that partner holds a minimum of 1/3 (one-third) of the ownership interests (including all forms of ownership interests) in the Bidder.
- has at least four (4) full-time technical staff available to carryout installation, maintenance, repairs and servicing of equipment and devices, and meet customers' needs for ongoing technical services.

A complete set of bidding documents in English may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the addresses listed above and upon the payment of a non-refundable fee of PGK 1,000. The method of payment will be direct payment in the form of a bank cheque or EFTPOS.

The bidding document can be obtained from the NICTA Head Office.

Bids must be delivered before or by 10:00am on July 5, 2017. Electronic bids will not be accepted. Late bids will be rejected outright. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidder's representative/s that chooses to be present at the NICTA Head Office on July 5, 2017.

All bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security Declaration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Panny Yokope', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Panny Yokope  
Acting Chief Executive Officer