

# **INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) - CONSTRUCTION OF CHOISEUL SECONDARY SCHOOL**

**GOVERNMENT OF SAINT LUCIA  
DISASTER VULNERABILITY REDUCTION PROJECT**

**INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)  
IDA Credit 54930-LC, SCF Loan TF017101 and SCF Grant TF017143  
CONSTRUCTION OF CHOISEUL SECONDARY SCHOOL**

**Date: December 18, 2015  
DISASTER VULNERABILITY REDUCTION PROJECT  
Loan No./Credit No./ Grant No.: IDA CREDIT 5493 LC, SCF Loan TF017101 and SCF Grant TF017143  
Contract Identification No: SLU-DVRP-W-NCB-ROSS-01-15**

Saint Lucia has received a Credit from the World Bank towards the cost of the Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project and intends to apply part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the Contract for Construction of Choiseul Secondary School.

1. The Department of Planning and National Development now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for Construction of Choiseul Secondary School at Choiseul, Saint Lucia, which comprises of:

- Demolition of the existing Block B approximately 200 sq.m.
- Demolition of existing Block C approximately 220 sq.m.
- Demolition of chain link fence approximately 32m;
- Site Clearance and removal of topsoil off site;
- Excavation and filling works to formation levels;
- Construction of two (2), three storey structures of reinforced concrete including finishings, electrical, plumbing and mechanical equipment, access and exterior civil works;
- Accommodations to include 12 No. Classrooms, Sickbay with toilet facilities, resource room, technical drawing room, students' washrooms, Information Technology Lab, Electronic Document Preparation and Management Laboratory, Physics and Chemistry laboratories with prep room, music room and theatre room
- Access and Exterior civil works include construction of covered access, ramps, pavement, drainage and landscaping works.
- Approximate construction area in total 3,189 sq.m. (34,330.95 sq ft)

The time for completion of the works is fourteen (14) months from the commencement date.

2. Bidding will be conducted through the National Competitive Bidding (NCB) procedures as specified in the World Bank's Guidelines: Procurement of Goods, Works and Non-Consulting Services under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers January 2011, ("Procurement Guidelines"), and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the Procurement Guidelines. In addition, please refer to paragraphs 1.6 and 1.7 setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

### **3. Qualifications Requirements Include:**

**Minimum Average Annual Construction Turnover** of Eastern Caribbean five million five hundred thousand dollars (XCD5,500,000.00) calculated as total certified payments received for contracts in progress or completed, within the last three (3) years.

In case of JV, JV members should jointly meet the requirement, at least one partner must meet at least forty percent (40%) of the requirement, and all other partners must meet at least twenty five percent (25%) of the requirement;

#### **Financing:**

The Bidder shall demonstrate that it has access to, or has available, liquid assets, unencumbered real assets, lines of credits, and other financial means, other than any contractual advance payments to meet: (i) the following cash flow requirement: Eastern Caribbean one million five hundred thousand dollars (XCD1,500,000) for the subject contract net of Bidders other commitments.

The Bidder shall also demonstrate that it has adequate source of financing to meet the cash flow requirements on works currently in progress and for future contract commitments.

In case of JV, JV members should jointly meet the requirement, at least one partner must meet at least forty percent (40%) of the requirement, and each partner must meet at least twenty five percent (25%) of the requirement;

**General Construction Experience:** Experience under construction contracts in the role of prime contractor, joint venture member, subcontractor, or management contractor for at least the last three [3] years starting January 1, 2012

**Specific Construction and Contractor Management Experience:** A minimum number of similar contracts that have been satisfactorily and substantially completed as a prime contractor, joint venture member, management contractor, or subcontractor, between January 1, 2012 and the application submission deadline at least one (1) similar contract with a minimum value of Eastern Caribbean five million five hundred thousand dollars (XCD5,500,000.00). Construction experience in the following key activities successfully completed: To have completed in the capacity of general contractor, an institutional / school building with a minimum 3-story structure of reinforced concrete including finishings, electrical- plumbing- and mechanical equipment, access and exterior civil work or other characteristics as described in Section VI, Employer's Requirements.

More details about all requirements related to the qualification, eligibility, litigation history, and technical capabilities are specified in the Section III Evaluation and Qualification Criteria of the Bidding Documents.

4. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from Project Coordination Unit, Department of Planning and National Development, 5th floor Conway Business Centre, Waterfront, Castries, Saint Lucia, and inspect the bidding documents during office hours from 0900 hours (9:00am) to 1500 hours (3:00 pm) daily from Monday to Friday at the address given below (\*) from January 11, 2016.

5. A complete set of bidding documents in English may be collected by interested eligible bidders at the Project Coordination Unit, Department of Planning and National Development, 5th floor Conway Business Centre, Waterfront, Castries, Saint Lucia upon the submission of a written application to the address below

6. Bids must be delivered to the address below (\*\*) on or before February 23, 2016 by 4:00 p.m. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the bidders' designated representatives and anyone who choose to attend at the address below (\*\*\*) on February 24, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

7. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid-Securing Declaration, to be submitted in the format stipulated in the Bidding Document.

8. The address(es) referred to above is(are):

*\*The Project Coordinator*  
*Disaster Vulnerability Reduction Project*  
*Ministry of Finance, Economic Affairs, Planning and Social Security*  
*Department of Planning and National Development*  
*5th Floor, Conway Business Centre*  
*Waterfront, Castries, Saint Lucia*  
*Telephone: [758-468-2413](tel:758-468-2413)*  
*Fax: [758-453-0417](tel:758-453-0417)*  
*Email: [slupcu@gosl.gov.lc](mailto:slupcu@gosl.gov.lc)*

*\*\*The Secretary (Submission of Bids)*  
*Central Tenders Board*  
*Ministry of Finance*  
*2nd floor Financial Centre*  
*Bridge Street*  
*Castries, Saint Lucia*

*\*\*\*Meeting of the Central Tenders Board  
Central Tenders Board  
Ministry of Finance  
2nd floor Financial Centre  
Bridge Street  
Castries, Saint Lucia*