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State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training, Ministry of Education, Jogoo House B, Harambee Avenue, P.O.BOX 9583 00200 Nairobi, Kenya

Project title:

German Financial Cooperation with Kenya: Promotion of Youth Employment and Vocational Training in Kenya

Tender title:

Supply, Delivery and Commissioning of Equipment for Technical Training Institutes in Kenya: ICT Hardware, Software, and Internet Connectivity

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Bid clarification/amendment

RECORD OF BID CLARIFICATION / AMENDMENT				
Project		<i>"Promotion of Youth Employment and Vocational Training in Kenya" (BMZ Reference Numbers: 2016 67 211 and 2016 65 298)</i>		
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Clarification No.		3		
Date of Clarification		07.04.2025		
S/N	Question / Clarification Request	Date of Request	Purchaser's Response	Clarification / Amendment

6	Office Productivity Licenses are only available as a annual subscription and not one off purchases as indicated, Kindly advice on how to handle this-pg 166-item no 60.	14.03.2025	Office productivity solution is offered/available in two options, (1) a perpetual license and (2) an annual license. A perpetual license is sold as a one-time purchase. Annual License is where you pay for all apps as a subscription service, renewed yearly. The bid is very specific on the perpetual license.	Clarification
7	Printer Machine requires a finisher, what finisher do you need? stapling, hole-punching, folding or booklet-making? kindly specify-pg 155 item no 43.	14.03.2025	Finisher: Staple & Hole Punch	Clarification
8	Page 107 of the tender document or Page 109 of the PDF In the specification of the server, its not mentioned about the external Lines to be connected or be supported by the server. Example of the External Lines that can connect to the Server are: - SIP lines - ISDN-PRI - FXO lines - Telkom Kenya wired Lines - GSM-Sim based Lines	17.03.2025	For the Server Provisions, have (2) Two GSM Lines and 4Ch SIP Trunk. The Server should be capable of scalability in the future and to also have capabilities for ISDN-PRI connections.	Clarification

	Kindly advice on the type of external connections may be required for each institution and the number of connections?"			
9	<p>"Page 95 of the tender document or Page 97 of the PDF</p> <p>Structured Cabling</p> <p>The allocated cabling for structured cabling boxes per site is 18 boxes, do this cover also the CCTV and Access control, Wifi and the 31 dual points as per the distribution of goods table or this will be determined during the site visit?</p>	17.03.2025	The 18 cabling boxes will cover all structured cabling, including CCTV and Access control, Wifi and the 31 dual points.	Clarification
10	<p>"Page 95 of the tender document or Page 97 of the PDF</p> <p>The main cabinet in the server room shall be at least 42U or equivalent included with a 3000VA UPS.</p> <p>Floor/ Block cabinets shall be metallic with front clear glass at least 18U and of good finish and conveniently accessible by technical personnel for maintenance.</p> <p>The cabinets required for each site are not indicated in the distribution of Goods. Both the Main and floor cabinets for cabling terminations.</p> <p>Will this also be determined during the site visit.</p>	17.03.2025	As per the bid document, the purchaser will require a 42U and a 18U cabinets for each institution (Recipient 1, 2 and 3).	Clarification

11	The specification given in LOT 3 Item no.44 indicated and stated as "Supplies suitable for item no. 43" Kindly explain if the same specification used in Item 43 should be used again in Item 44 or if same specification is applicable in both cases? Also state the difference between the two Items as it remains unclear.	19.03.2025	Please ensure that the supplies in item 44 are the original supplies for item 43. Item 44 is the toner for item 43.	Clarification
12	Kindly clarify if it's mandatory to do all the items in a lot to be awarded or you can choose to do a few items but still get the award?	19.03.2025	Bidders must provide a quote for all the items in a particular lot to qualify for an award.	Clarification
13	We kindly request you to allow us to conduct a site visit for Lot 1 and 2 at Kiambu National Polytechnic for ICB 09. We had sent a representative but due to time constraints, by the time our representative got there, your support team on the ground had already dispersed. We were of the understanding that the site visit was from 10am onwards and open for the entire day.	19.03.2025	The purchaser conducted the site visit as scheduled in the presence of bidders who showed up on time as instructed. The site visit certificates have already been issued, and the matter has been closed.	Clarification
14	We visited Kiambu National Polytechnic Site on Tuesday 18th, at 3PM. We found the team left by the time we reached. We request your consideration to issue us with the Site Inspection Certificate as we got an opportunity to inspect the site.	19.03.2025	The purchaser conducted the site visit as scheduled in the presence of bidders who showed up on time as instructed. The site visit certificates have already been issued, and the matter has been closed.	Clarification

15	Considering the possibility that audited financial statements for the year 2024 may not be available for certain entities, would the financial statements for the years 2023, 2022, and 2021 be considered acceptable?	21.03.2025	<u>Refer to earlier clarification 2, S/No 3</u> The audited accounts should cover the period 2021 to 2023. For bidders who have their signed 2024 audited accounts, they can provide the accounts for the period 2022 to 2024.	Clarification
16	Many manufacturers do not provide partner certificates, instead issuing manufacturer authorization letters to confirm partnerships. We respectfully request a review of the partner certificate requirement, as the manufacturer authorization letter adequately serves this purpose.	21.03.2025	The partner certificate requirement is a mandatory requirement as outlined in the Tender document.	Clarification
17	Item 62: Accounting Application To assist us in preparing a precise quotation, please provide clarification on the following points: 1. Is the use of an open-source application permissible? 2. Will the accounting software be deployed on-premise or in the cloud? 3. What type of licensing is required: Perpetual or Subscription? 4. What is the anticipated duration of the maintenance period? 5. Is integration with KRA eTIMS required?	21.03.2025	1. No open-source applications are permitted. 2. The application will be on premise. 3. Perpetual license is required. 4. The maintenance period will be 1(one) year. 5. No integration with eTIMS. 6. No integration with the Institution ERP.	Clarification

	6. Is integration with College Management Systems required?			
18	We would like to request a re-schedule of the above Site Visit which we attended on 18th at 3pm only to be told that it took place earlier in the day. As per your timing the reporting time was 10am but you did Not specify the closing time schedule for which we assumed runs up to official normal working hours.	25.03.2025	The purchaser conducted the site visit as scheduled in the presence of bidders who showed up on time as instructed. The site visit certificates have already been issued, and the matter has been closed.	Clarification
19	On the computer server item no. 3; Kindly clarify if you need 1x 4TB HDD and another 1 x 1TB NVMe drives? There are no 1GBE SFPs ports on Servers, as they are only available on 1G Base T. Please advise if we can instead provide 10G cards? On the storage requirements, please clarify; • Storage Capacity of 30 TB Useable, on RAID 6 - is there a specific disk configuration required 800GB, 1.92TB, 3,84TB, 7.68TB or 15.36TB?	27.03.2025	The specifications given are the minimum specifications. Please provide 1x4TB SSD and 1x1TB NVMe. The bidder is allowed to offer higher specifications on the interface card. The capacity required is 30TB. Bidders must provide NVMe disks. The specific capacity of the disks depends on the configuration that will give 30TB Usable capacity but also leave empty slots to allow for future capacity upgrades.	Clarification
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Tender brief description:

The Ministry of Education, State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training, now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for *the supply of training and technical equipment for automotive mechatronics and body building, including delivery, installation, and related training at: Kiambu National Polytechnic (KINAP), Nairobi Technical Training Institute (NTTI) and Thika Technical Training Institute (TTTI).*

This tender includes 4 Lots;

Lot 1: LAN, Ent. Security, Structured Cabling, Outdoor Wi-Fi, VOIP

Lot 2: Data Center, CCTV, Access Control

Lot 3: Computers, Smart Classroom, Learning Automation, and software licensing.

Lot 4: Internet Connectivity.

The required items, quantities, delivery periods, and other details are specified in the bidding document.

How to obtain documents:

Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from the Ministry of Education, State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training, on 7th floor room 703 Uchumi House, Along Agha Khan Walk or by writing to the following email address: tenders.moe.tvet@gmail.com.

A complete set of bidding documents is available to interested Bidders and can be downloaded from the Ministry of Education website <https://www.education.go.ke/index.php/tenders>. In order to receive any potential notifications in relation to these bidding documents, interested Bidders should immediately send their contact details (including the tender reference number) to the email address: tenders.moe.tvet@gmail.com.

Submission details:

Bids must be delivered to the Tender Box marked Ministry of Education, State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training KfW project located on the ground floor of Jogoo House B, Harambee Avenue on or before **11.00 am (East Africa Time), 10th April 2025**. Late Bids will be rejected.

The Tender Process is subject to KfW's „Guidelines for the Procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Plant, Goods and Non-Consulting Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries“, see <https://www.kfw-entwicklungsbank.de/International-financing/KfW-Development-Bank/Publications-Videos/Publication-series/Guidelines-and-contracts/>