

## Invitation to Bid

Background						
	The Institute of Human Virology, Nigeria (IHVN) was established in 2004 as a local organization to address the HIV/AIDS crisis in Nigeria through the development of infrastructure for treatment, care, prevention, and support for people living with and that affected by HIV/AIDS but has now expanded its services to other infectious diseases of TB and malaria, including cancers.					
	IHVN is structured to develop and maintain linkages with local and international organizations in collaborative ways that support the Government of Nigeria's health sector strategic plans. IHVN key technical and funding partners are the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.					
BID Title:	Supply of Diesel (AGO) under ASPIRE grant.					
Scope of Bid	Bidders are invited to submit a Bid for the goods and/or services specified above Schedule of Requirements, in accordance with this bid.					
Interpretation of the Bid	This Request For Bid (RFB) is an invitation to treat and shall be construed as an offer capable of being accepted or as creat any contractual, other legal or restitutionary rights.					
	• This RFB is conducted in accordance with the applicable provisions of IHVN Procurement Manual (latest version of which can be accessed at: <u>www.ihvnigeria.org</u> and other relevant Organizational Directives and Administrative Instructions that are referred to in the Procurement Manual.					
Language	• The Bid, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the Bid shall be written in the English language, unless specified otherwise in the bid advert. Supporting documents and printed literature furnished by the Bidder may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages into the English language, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Bid, such translation shall govern.					
	• The Bidder shall bear all costs of translation to the governing language and all risks of the accuracy of such translation.					
Bid Eligibility	Bidders may be a private, public or government-owned legal entity or any association with legal capacity to enter into a binding Contract with IHVN.					
	A Bidder, and all parties constituting the bidder, may have the nationality of any country with the exception of the nationalities, if any, listed in United State Government Debarment List. A Bidder shall be deemed to have the nationality of a country if the Bidder is a citizen or is constituted,					

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	incorporated, or registered and operates in conformity with the provisions of the laws of that country.				
	A Bidder shall not have a conflict of interest. A bidder shall be considered to have a conflict of interest if:				
	<ul> <li>A Bidder has a close business or family relationship with a IHVN personnel who: (i) are directly or indirectly involved in the preparation of the bidding documents or specifications of the contract, and/or the bid evaluation process of such contract; or (ii) would be involved in the implementation or supervision of such contract;</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>A Bidder is associated, or has been associated in the past, directly or indirectly, with a firm or any of its affiliates which have been engaged by IHVN to provide consulting services for the preparation of the design, specifications, and other documents to be used for the procurement of the goods, services or works required in the present procurement process;</li> </ul>				
	• A Bidder has an interest in other bidders, including when they have common ownership and/or management. Bidders shall not submit more than one bid, except for alternative offers, if permitted. This will result in the disqualification of all bids in which the Bidder is involved. This includes situations where a firm is the Bidder in one bid and a sub-contractor on another; however, this does not limit the inclusion of a firm as a sub-contractor in more than one bid.				
	Bidders must disclose any actual or potential conflict of interest in the Bid Submission and they shall be deemed ineligible for this procurement process unless such conflict of interest is resolved in a manner acceptable to IHVN. Failure to disclose any actual or potential conflict of interest may lead to the Bidder being sanctioned.				
	A Bidder shall not be eligible to submit a quotation if and when at the time of quotation submission, the Bidder:				
	<ul> <li>Is included in any other Ineligibility List from a IHVN partner and if so listed in United State Government Debarment List.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Is currently suspended from doing business with IHVN and removed from its vendor database(s), for reasons other than engaging in proscribed practices as defined in the IHVN Procurement Policy.</li> </ul>				
Fraud & Corruption, Gifts and Hospitality	IHVN strictly enforces a policy of zero tolerance on proscribed practices, including fraud, corruption, collusion, unethical or unprofessional practices, and obstruction of IHVN vendors and requires all bidders/vendors to observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process and contract implementation. IHVN's Anti-Fraud email: <u>speakout@ihvnigeria.org</u> can be reached at all times to report any foul play at any level.				
	Bidders/vendors shall not offer gifts or hospitality of any kind to IHVN staff members, including recreational trips to sporting or cultural events, theme parks or offers of holidays, transportation, or invitations to extravagant lunches or dinners.				
	In pursuance of this policy, IHVN:				

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	<ul> <li>a. Shall reject a bid if it determines that the selected bidder has engaged in any corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the contract in question.</li> <li>b. Shall declare a vendor ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period, to be awarded a contract if at any time it determines that the vendor has engaged in any corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing an IHVN contract.</li> </ul>			
Clarification of the Bid	Bidders may request clarification in relation to the RFB by submitting a written request to the contact stated in the Bid advert, until the time stated as deadline on the RFB. Explanations or interpretations provided by personnel other than the named contact person will not be considered binding or official.			
Bid Currency	The bid shall be made in Naira. If applicable, for comparison a evaluation purposes, IHVN will convert the quotations into USD at t official IHVN rate of exchange in force at the time of the deadline for E Submission.			
	IHVN reserves the right not to reject any bid submitted in a currency other than the mandatory bidding currency. IHVN may accept bid submitted in another currency than stated above if the Bidder confirms during clarification of quotations in writing that it will accept a Contract issued in the mandatory bid currency and that for conversion the official IHVN operational rate of exchange of the day of RFB deadline as stated in Section I: RFB Particulars shall apply. Regardless of the currency of quotations received, the Contract will always be issued and subsequent payments will be made in the mandatory bidding currency above.			
	Rates in bids shall be fixed. Bids with adjustable rates shall be disqualified.			
Taxes	Contract sum shall be subjected to deduction of 5% withholding tax			
Payment Terms	IHVN will ordinarily effect payment within two to three weeks after receipt of the goods/services and on submission of payment documentation.			
Audit	IHVN may conduct an audit of the contract awarded to determine its completeness, efficacy as well as the performance of the supplier which will be used as a basis for the engagement of the vendors for future procurements.			
Requirements	Ability to meet delivery targets within IHVN's specified time period.			
Bid Protest	Any Bidder that believes to have been unjustly treated in connection with this RFB process or any Contract that may be awarded as a result of such RFB process may submit a complaint to IHVN Management through postal service using the address provided on IHVN website www.ihvnigeria.org			
Responsiveness of Bid	IHVN's determination of a Bid's responsiveness will be based on the contents of the Bid itself.			
	A substantially responsive Bid is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the bid advert without material deviation, reservation, or omission. If a Bid is not substantially responsive, it shall be rejected by IHVN and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.			

Evaluation of Bid	The evaluation team shall review and evaluate the Bids on the basis of their responsiveness to the Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specifications and other documentation provided, applying the procedure indicated in the bid advert. Absolutely no changes may be made by IHVN in the criteria after all Bids have been received.			
	<ul> <li>IHVN reserves the right to undertake a post-qualification exercise, aimed at determining, to its satisfaction the validity of the information provided by the Bidder. Such post-qualification shall be fully documented and, among those that may be listed in the bid advert, may include, but need not be limited to, all or any combination of the following :</li> <li>(a)Verification of accuracy, correctness and authenticity of the information provided by the bidder on the legal, technical and financial documents submitted;</li> <li>(b)Validation of extent of compliance to the IHVN requirements and evaluation criteria based on what has so far been found by the evaluation team;</li> <li>(c)Inquiry and reference checking with Government entities with</li> </ul>			
	jurisdiction on the bidder, or any other entity that may have done business with the bidder;			
	(d)Inquiry and reference checking with other previous clients on the quality of performance on on-going or previous contracts completed;			
	(e) Physical inspection of the bidder's plant, factory, branches or other places where business transpires, with or without notice to the bidder;			
	(f)Testing and sampling of completed goods similar to the requirements of IHVN, where available; and			
	(g)Other means that IHVN may deem appropriate, at any stage within the selection process, prior to awarding the contract.			
Qualification Criteria	General Criteria:			
	The Bidder shall possess the necessary professional and technical qualifications and competence, financial resources, production capability with equipment and other physical facilities, including after-sales service where appropriate, managerial capability, specific experience, reputation, and the personnel to perform the contract.			
	To qualify for a multiple number of lots in a package for which Bids are invited in the Invitation for Bids, The Bidder shall demonstrate having resources and experience sufficient to meet the aggregate of the qualifying criteria for the individual lots			
	Experience Criteria:			
	<ul> <li>A minimum number of years of overall experience in the supply of goods and related services.</li> </ul>			
	Financial Criteria:			
	<ul> <li>Evidence of satisfactory completion of supply of similar goods of value</li> </ul>			

Award Criteria Bank Guarantee for	<ul> <li>Prior to expiration of the period of Bid validity, IHVN shall award the contract to the qualified and eligible Bidder that is found to be responsive to the requirements of the Schedule of Requirements and Technical Specification and has offered the lowest price or the most reasonable price.</li> <li>All contractors shall produce a banker's guarantee or insurance bond</li> </ul>			
Advanced Payment	prior to request for advance payment from the sum of N2.5m and above. Advance payment request below N2.5m will not be honored by the Institute.			
Supplier Code of Conduct	<ul> <li>IHVN is committed to working in partnership with our suppliers to realize the full value of our relationships and to positively contribute to our stakeholder communities and the environment. Therefore, the following conducts are expected from our suppliers:</li> <li>In keeping with our commitment to exercising appropriate standards of professionalism and ethical conduct in all business activities, IHVN will not tolerate bribery or corruption in any form, or any breach of its Anti-Bribery Policy.</li> </ul>			
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	<ul> <li>Suppliers are expected to maintain accurate records of their activities and performance that clearly demonstrate compliance with all applicable standards, regulations and IHVN requirements.</li> <li>Suppliers must disclose any personal relationships, economic interest or other ties to their business held by an employee or contractor with IHVN.</li> </ul>			
	• Suppliers shall provide IHVN with high-quality products and services that meet all applicable quality and demonstrate that they have robust Standard Organization of Nigeria requirements in place. We expect suppliers to immediately report to IHVN of any concerns about product safety.			
	• Suppliers shall take appropriate measures to secure and protect all confidential information related to its relationship with IHVN and use it only for the purpose authorized under contractual agreement. This obligation shall remain in force regardless of the status of the business relationship.			
	<ul> <li>Suppliers to IHVN shall carry out operations with care for the environment and at a minimum will comply with all applicable environmental laws and regulations.</li> <li>Suppliers shall also comply with any additional category specific requirements regarding the goods or services provided to IHVN, for example our requirements in respect of specification.</li> </ul>			
Instructions to Bidding/Requirements	The following will constitute the pre-selection criteria on a Yes or No basis:			

	<ul> <li>Bids must be properly sealed.</li> <li>All bidders not registered with IH) (N must include company prefit</li> </ul>			
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	All bidders must include copies of tax clearance certificates for the			
	past three years. I.e. 2021, 2022 & 2023			
	All bids must provide evidence of at least two similar Jobs made in			
	the past for IHVN/other organizations etc.			
	• The bidders must specialize in the supply of diesel with proof.			
	Bidders not registered with IHVN must provide proof of registration			
	with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC).			
	Bidders not registered with IHVN must provide proof of an audited			
	financial statement in the last three years. I.e. 2021, 2022 & 2023			
	Bids should be submitted to the head office on or before the date			
	below specified as deadline.			
	Bids will be opened publicly at the expiration of the bid advert.			
	Any quote with percentage/calculation error will be disqualified at the			
	tender meeting.			
	• All bidders must indicate their bid validity period as 90 days from the			
	date of this bid's expiration.			
	• As time is of the essence, delivery of service shall be within 6 to 8			
	weeks from the date of receipt of L.P.O by contractor.			
Note*	Bids which must reach us within ten (10) working days from			
	the date of this publication should have the title of the BID			
	written on the "Top Left-Hand Corner" of the envelope.			
	> All bids must be in ink or type written, submission in pencil will not			
	be accepted.			
	All enquiries regarding the proposed application for the above			
	should be addressed to the Deputy Director Procurement/HOD			
	SCM of Institute of Human Virology Nigeria			
	Please find the Detailed Specifications under annex 1 below.			
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Funding Agency Bid Start Date/ Time	17/07/2024 8:00 am			
Bid Deadline Date/	30/07/2024 10:00 am			
Time	30/07/2024 10.00 am			
Contact	The Director Procurement/HOD SCM			
	SCM Department			
	Supply Chain Management Department			
	Institute of Human Virology, Nigeria Cadastral Zone COO Plot 62, after BAZE University, off CITEC			
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Annex 1

S/N	Description	UOM	QTO
1	<ul> <li>Supply of Diesel (AGO):</li> <li>The diesel density: 850kg/m3 at temperature of 20 degree Celsius</li> <li>The diesel must be pure.</li> <li>Dark/Black colors are not acceptable</li> </ul>	Liters	33,000