

GOVERNMENT OF SAINT LUCIA

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND LABOUR

BASIC EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECT (BEEP)

**PROCUREMENT OF FURNITURE FOR TECHNICAL DRAWING
FOR TWO (2) SECONDARY SCHOOLS**

INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Government of Saint Lucia (GOSL) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) in an amount equivalent to USD12.0 mn towards the cost of Basic Education Enhancement Project (BEEP), and intends to apply a part of the funds to cover eligible payments under the Agreement. Payment by CDB will be made only at the request of GOSL and upon approval by CDB, and will be subject, in all respects, to the terms and conditions of the Loan Agreement. The Loan Agreement prohibits a withdrawal from the Loan Account for the purpose of any payment to persons or entities, or for any import of goods, if such payment or import, to the knowledge of CDB, is prohibited by a decision of the United Nations Security Council taken under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. No party other than GOSL shall derive any rights from the Loan Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Loan.

The Ministry of Education, Human Resource Development and Labour, Project Management Unit, now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified Bidders for the **Supply of Furniture for Technical Drawing for Two (2) Secondary Schools** in one Lot as follows.

(a) Lot 1 – Furniture for Technical Drawing

Consideration will be limited to firms or joint ventures of firms which are legally incorporated or otherwise organised in, and have their principal place of business in an eligible country and are either:

- (a) more than 50% beneficially-owned by a citizen or citizens and/or bona fide resident or residents of an eligible country, or by a body corporate or bodies corporate meeting these requirements; or
- (b) owned or controlled by the Government of an eligible country provided that it is legally and financially autonomous and operated under the commercial law of an eligible country and otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of the CDB Guidelines for Procurement (2006).

Eligible countries are member countries of CDB.

Eligible bidders will be required to submit full qualification information with their bids establishing their eligibility to bid and qualification to perform the contract if the bid is accepted. Tender and qualification information are to be submitted in the English Language on the prescribed forms inserted in the Bid Documents. Submissions that do not provide the information required or that do not demonstrate the prospective contractor's ability to perform satisfactorily, will not qualify and will not be considered for further evaluation.

Bid documents will be available for inspection at the first address below, from **Monday August 10, 2015**, on weekdays between 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. A complete set of Bidding documents (electronic CD) can be purchased by interested bidder upon payment of a non-refundable fee of two hundred and thirty Eastern Caribbean Dollars (XCD230.00). Requests may be made by personal

application or in writing. Written applications must be clearly marked: **“Request for Bid Documents for the Supply of Furniture for Technical Drawing for Two (2) Secondary Schools - BEEP”**. The method of payment will be by Manager’s cheque or cash deposited to, or Bank transfer to Bank of Saint Lucia account #901320989 (Swift Code: bosllc) payable to the Accountant General. Applicants who request that documents be forwarded to them must submit an account number from a local courier agent that accepts freight collect charges. The CD containing the documents will be promptly dispatched, but under no circumstance will GOSL or the Project Management Unit, Ministry of Education, Human Resource Development and Labour, be held responsible for late delivery, loss or damage to the CD containing the documents so transmitted.

Hard copies of Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes, with the name and address of the bidder, and be clearly marked **“Tender for Supply of Furniture for Technical Drawing for Two (2) Secondary Schools - BEEP” and Name identifying the Lot for which the bid is submitted**, and must be delivered to the second address below no later than 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, **September 23, 2015**. Bids will be opened publicly immediately after the deadline for submission of bids, in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the second address below. Qualification information only must be submitted simultaneously to the third address below.

Each bid must be accompanied by the required Bid Security in a freely convertible currency. Late bids will be rejected.

GOSL/Ministry of Education, Human Resource Development and Labour reserves the right to accept or reject any bid, and to annul the process and reject all bids, at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected prospective bidder(s) or any obligation to inform the affected prospective bidder(s) of the grounds for GOSL/Ministry of Education, Human Resource Development and Labour’s action. GOSL will not defray any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of bids.

1. Address for Inspection, Collection and Clarification of Bidding Documents

The Project Manager
Project Management Unit
Ministry of Education, Human Resource Development and Labour
3rd Floor, Francis Compton Building
Waterfront, Castries
ST. LUCIA

Attention: The Procurement Officer

Tel: (758) 468-5253

Fax: (758) 459-0308

E-mail: slupmu@gmail.com

2. Address for Bid Submission and Bid Opening

The Chairman
Central Tenders Board
Ministry of Finance, Economic Affairs and Social Security
2nd Floor, Financial Centre
Bridge Street, Castries
ST. LUCIA

Attention: The Secretary to the Board
Tel: (758) 468-5524

3. Address for Qualification Information Only

Procurement Officer
Caribbean Development Bank
P.O. Box 408,
Willey, St. Michael
BARBADOS, W.I., BB11000

Tel: (246) 431 1600
Fax: (246) 426 7269
Email: procurement@caribank.org