



RFP NUMBER:	RFP/SASSETA/222311106
DESCRIPTION:	Appointment panel of External Verifiers from the date of appointment until 31 March 2027
PUBLISH DATE:	12 December 2022
CLOSING DATE:	31 January 2023
CLOSING TIME:	11h00 am
COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION DATE	N/A
VALIDITY PERIOD:	120 days from the closing date
PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEM	80/20
BID RESPONSES TO BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY OR HAND-DELIVERED/ COURIERED TO:	Proposals are to be submitted electronically via email to verifiers@sasseta.org.za or be couriered, posted, or hand delivered to SASSETA Offices at Building 2 Waterfall Corporate Campus, 74 Waterfall Drive, Waterfall City, Midrand, 2090 for the attention of Mr. Mabolane Mankga, Quoting the reference (RFP/SASSETA/222311106)
ATTENTION:	Mr. Mabolane Mankga
<p>NB: Bidders are to ensure that they sign the tender register at the reception when delivering their bids. Bidders who will use Courier companies are to ensure that the Courier company writes the name of the bidding company on the tender register. Submissions not registered on the tender register will be disqualified from further evaluation.</p> <p>The email address (verifiers@sasseta.org.za) is for the submission of tender proposals only and will only be accessed after the tender closing date and time.</p> <p>Queries related to this tender are to be sent to scm02@sasseta.org.za</p>	

NB: The SASSETA logo should not be displayed in any shape or form on proposals sent to SASSETA for consideration.

If you receive any suspicious calls asking for payment to secure an award of a bid or that the outcome of a tender can be influenced in your favour, please immediately inform the SASSETA Anti-Corruption Hotline at 0800 204 143 for further investigation.

DOCUMENTS IN THIS BID DOCUMENT PACK

Bidders are to ensure that they have received all pages of this document, which consist of the following documents:

SECTION A

1. RFP Submission Conditions and Instructions
2. Terms of Reference
3. Selection Process

SECTION B

1. Special Conditions of Bid and Contract
2. Invitation to Quote (SBD 1)
3. Pricing Schedule (SBD 3.3)
4. Declaration of Interest (SBD 4)
5. Preference Points Claim form in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017 (SBD 6.1). Bidders are to submit a certified copy of a valid B-BBEE Certificate or Sworn Affidavit.
6. Submission Checklist
7. General Conditions of Contract (Annexure A)
8. Map to SASSETA offices (Annexure B)

NB.: Bidders are required to return the SASSETA attached Standard Bidding (SBD) forms and not submit SBD forms from other entities.

1. RFP SUBMISSION CONDITIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS

1.1 FRAUD AND CORRUPTION

- 1.1.1 All Service Providers are to take note of the implications of contravening the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, Act No 12 of 2004 and any other Act applicable.

1.2 COMPULSORY BRIEFING SESSION

- 1.2.1 There will be no briefing session for this Request for Proposal.

1.3 CLARIFICATIONS/QUERIES

- 1.3.1 Any clarification required by a bidder regarding the meaning or interpretation of the Terms of Reference, or any other aspect concerning the bid, is to be requested in writing (e-mail) from **Mr. Mabolane Mankga** at scm02@sassetta.org.za by 20 January 2023. The bid number should be mentioned in all correspondence. **Telephonic requests for clarification will not be accepted.**

1.4 SUBMITTING BIDS

- 1.4.1 Proposals to be submitted electronically via email to verifiers@sassetta.org.za

OR

Hard-copy document to be couriered, posted hand-delivered to SASSETA Offices, building 2 Waterfall Corporate Campus, 74 Waterfall Drive, Waterfall City, Midrand, 2090 for the attention of Mr. Mabolane Mankga, Quoting the reference (RFP/SASSETA/222311106)

❖ Closing date and time: **31 January 2023 @ 11h00**

1.5 LATE BIDS

- 1.5.1 Bids received late shall not be considered. A bid will be considered late if it arrived only one second after 11h00 or any time thereafter. Bids arriving late will not be considered under any circumstances. Bidders are therefore strongly advised to ensure that bids be sent allowing enough time for any unforeseen events that may delay the delivery of the bid.
- 1.5.2 The official Telkom time (dial 1026) will be used to verify the exact closing time (11h00)

1.6 DIRECTIONS TO SASSETA OFFICES FOR DELIVERY OF BIDS

- 1.6.1 Directions to SASSETA offices are attached as **Annexure B** to this document.
- 1.6.2 Bidders should allow time to access the premise due to security arrangements that need to be observed

1.7 FORMAT OF BIDS

- 1.7.1 Bidders to complete all the necessary bid documents and undertakings required in this bid document. Bidders are advised that their bid should be concise, written in plain English and simply presented.

1.7.2 Bidders are to set out their bid in the following format:

Part 1: Invitation to Bid (SBD 1)

Bidders to complete and submit the Invitation to Bid document.

Part 2: Pricing (SBD 3.3)

Bidders to complete SBD 3.3 as attached to this request in full and to submit their own detailed quotation on their Company letterhead inclusive of VAT and any other costs as per the requirements of the Terms of Reference. **Bidders to attach their quotation on the company letterhead in line with SBD 3.3**

The value of this bid is estimated not to exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 80/20 system shall be applicable

Part 3: Declaration of Interest (SBD 4)

Each party to the bid to complete and submit the Declaration of Interest.

Part 4: Preference Points Claim Form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017 (SBD 6.1)

Bidders to complete and submit the Preference Points Claim Form.

A trust, consortium, or joint venture:

- ❖ will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided that the entity submits their B-BBEE status level certificate OR a Letter from a registered Accounting Officer/ Auditor OR a sworn affidavit in terms of the Amended B-BBEE Codes from Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) of R10 000 000 annual turnover.
- ❖ will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.

Part 5: Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Certificate

Bidders are to submit an Original/Certified copy of a valid BBEE Certificate.

A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid. or a letter from an Accounting Officer/ Auditor or a sworn affidavit in terms of the Amended B-BBEE Codes from Exempted Micro Enterprises (EMEs) of R10 000 000 annual turnover.

Part 6: General Conditions of Contract

Bidders to initial each page of the General Conditions of Contract and submit with their bid document.

Part 7: Bidders National Treasury CSD registration report

Bidders to submit their CSD report indicating the validity of the bidder's registration.

Part 8: Quotation on the Company letterhead of the Bidding Company

Bidders are to attach a quotation on the Company letterhead inclusive of VAT and any other applicable costs in line with SBD 3.3.

Part 9: Reference letters

Bidders are to submit four (4) or more signed reference letters on a client's letterhead demonstrating experience in undertaking verification of learner assessment.

Part 10: Experience of team member

The proposed team member to submit their CV demonstrating a minimum of three (3) years' experience in undertaking external verification with any SETA/ ETQA/ government training institute(s).

Part 11: ETDP SETA Assessor and Moderator qualification

Proof of ETDP SETA Assessor and Moderator statement of results or OD ETD qualification to be attached. Responses/bidding documents submitted without both Assessor and Moderator SoR from ETDP SETA or OD ETD qualification will be automatically disqualified.

1.8 NEGOTIATION

- 1.8.1 SASSETA has the right to enter into negotiation with a prospective service provider regarding any terms and conditions, including price(s), of a proposed contract.
- 1.8.2 SASSETA shall not be obliged to accept the lowest of any quotation, offer or bid.
- 1.8.3 SASSETA issues this bid invitation in good faith; however, it reserves the right to:
- ❖ Cancel or delay the selection process at any time, without explanation,
 - ❖ Not to select any of the respondents to this bid invitation, without explanation,
 - ❖ Exclude certain services, without explanation.
- 1.8.4 A contract will only be deemed to be concluded when reduced to writing in a contract form signed by the designated responsible person of both parties.

1.9 REASONS FOR REJECTION

- 1.9.1 SASSETA shall reject a bid for the award of a contract if the recommended bidder has committed a proven corrupt or fraudulent act in competing for the particular contract.
- 1.9.2 SASSETA may disregard the bid of any bidder if that bidder, or any of its directors:
- 1.9.2.1 have abused the Supply Chain Management systems of SASSETA.

- 1.9.2.2 have committed proven fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such systems.
- 1.9.2.3 have failed to perform on any previous contract and the proof exists.

1.9.3 Such actions shall be communicated to the National Treasury.

2. TERMS OF REFERENCE

2.1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 2.1.1. SASSETA was established on 1 July 2005. It is one of the twenty-one Sector Education and Training Authorities (SETAs) established in terms of the Skills Development Act (Act 97 of 1998) as amended. SASSETA's licence has been renewed until 31st March 2030. SASSETA is classified as a schedule 3A Public Entity in terms of the Public Finance Management Act, (Act 1 of 1999, as amended). SASSETA reports to the Department of Higher Education and Training.
- 2.1.2. As per delegation of the Quality Council for Trades and Occupations (QCTO) in terms of the National Qualification Framework (NQF) Act (Act No.67 of 2008) and Skills Development Act, 1998 (Act No. 97 of 1998, as amended), the delegated functions of the QCTO entails that learner results facilitation of moderation among training providers should be effectively and efficiently evaluated.
- 2.1.3. External moderation (verification) requests are received from accredited training providers. Upon completion of training, then external moderation (verification) of learner results should be conducted by SASSETA Verifiers.

2.2. PURPOSE

- 2.2.1. SASSETA is looking at appointing a suitable and qualified pool/panel of External Verifiers nationally until 31st March 2027. Work will be rotated amongst the pool of verifiers depending on their availability.
- 2.2.2. External Verifiers qualifications should cover various SASSETA qualifications

2.3. SCOPE OF WORK

- 2.3.1. The successful service providers will be required to undertake the following:
 - 2.3.1.1. External moderation (verification) of learner results should be conducted by SASSETA External Verifiers.
 - 2.3.1.2. Conduct site validation visits to check whether the site exists (on an Adhoc basis).
 - 2.3.1.3. Conduct site visits to check whether the site is conducive for learning (on an Adhoc basis).
 - 2.3.1.4. Conduct monitoring visits to promote QCTO requirements
 - 2.3.1.5. Review internal assessment and moderation by sampling candidates' work.
 - 2.3.1.6. Monitor processes and procedures to ensure Training Providers' decisions are in accordance with accreditation and assessment requirements.
 - 2.3.1.7. Provide information, advice and support Training Providers in order to share good Practices.
 - 2.3.1.8. Alert SASSETA of changes that might affect the accreditation status of Providers.
 - 2.3.1.9. Have the ability to assess Qualifications Learning outcomes, types of assessment methods, scrutinise for validity, reliability, authenticity, currency, and sufficiency (VACS).
 - 2.3.1.10. Ensure that compliance to accreditation and assessment requirements.

2.3.1.11. Ensure that consistency in the learners' portfolio and identify training issues needing to be addressed within the Safety and Security Sector.

2.4. REQUIRED DELIVERABLES

- 2.4.1. External Verifiers are appointed to conduct external moderation/verification visits on various SASSETA qualifications and the following deliverables will be expected on this assignment:
- 2.4.2. Conduct planned verification visits,
- 2.4.3. compile report on findings and forward to ETQA Manager within 7 days.

2.5. SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE OF THE BIDDING COMPANY AND THE TEAM MEMBER(S) PROPOSED FOR THE ASSIGNMENT

- 2.5.1. The applicants should demonstrate the following skills and experience
 - Bidding company to demonstrate four (4) or more completed assignments in undertaking verification of learner assessments. Four (4) or more Signed reference letters on previous client's letterhead with contact details to be submitted confirming their satisfaction on the completed assignments.
 - A detailed CV of the team leader outlining three (3) or more years of experience in conducting verification visits for learner results endorsement to be attached.

2.6. MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS/ DISQUALIFICATION CRITERIA

- 2.6.1. Proof of ETDP SETA Assessor and Moderator statement of results or OD ETD qualification to be attached. Responses/bidding documents submitted without both Assessor and Moderator SoR from ETDP SETA or OD ETD qualification will be automatically disqualified.

2.7. TIMEFRAME FOR DELIVERY OF THE WORK

- 2.7.1. The duration of this contract for the appointment of a panel of external verifiers will be from 01 April 2023 to 31 March 2027.

2.8. PRICING

SASSETA offers a fixed hourly rate with inflationary adjustments as follows:

- 2.8.1. Year 1 – 01 April 2023 until 31 March 2024 = R850 inclusive of VAT
- 2.8.2. Year 2 – 01 April 2024 until 31 March 2025 = R900 inclusive of VAT
- 2.8.3. Year 3- 01 April 2025 until 31 March 2026= R950 inclusive of VAT
- 2.8.4. Year 4- 01 April 2026 until 31 March 2027= R1000 inclusive of VAT

NB.: Interested bidders are to confirm acceptance of this hourly rate on their proposal.

2.9. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- 2.9.1. As per this Bid, SASSETA will be appointing a panel of external verifiers. There is also another bid where SASSETA will be appointing a Panel of Learning Programme Evaluators.

- 2.9.2. In order to alleviate the possibility of a conflict of interest, a company that is appointed to conduct external verification assignments will not be allowed to conduct Learning Programme evaluation. In this regard, if a company bids for both assignments, they will only be appointed on one assignment.

2.10. ACCOUNTABILITY AND REPORTING

- 2.10.1. The external verifiers will report directly to ETQA Manager and submit reports to SASSETA within seven (7) days of completion of work.

2.11. INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- 2.11.1. The service provider will be contracting with SASSETA. All products and data of this project, in whatever format raw or analysed, will be confidential information for utilisation by SASSETA. All information and documents, received from SASSETA or stakeholders, is to be kept confidential and may not be used or distributed in any format without the written approval of SASSETA. To this end, the service provider will be required to sign a confidentiality agreement within the contract.

3. PROPOSED SELECTION CRITERIA

3.1 Compliance requirements

- 3.1.1 All bids duly lodged will be examined to determine compliance with bidding requirements and conditions. Bids with obvious deviations from the requirements/conditions, will be eliminated from further evaluation.

3.2 Conditions for selection/short listing

- 3.2.1 All submissions will be evaluated as follows:

3.2.1.1 Phase 1 – Required items, Service Providers to:

- Submit their responses/bidding documents by the closing date and time. **Responses/bidding documents submitted after the date and time will be disqualified from further evaluation.**
- Register the responses/bidding documents in the tender register at SASSETA reception. **Responses/bidding documents not recorded on tender submission register at SASSETA reception will be disqualified from further evaluation.**
- Proof of ETDP SETA Assessor and Moderator statement of results or OD ETD qualification to be attached. **Responses/bidding documents submitted without both Assessor and Moderator SoR from ETDP SETA or OD ETD qualification will be automatically disqualified.**
- complete and submit all Standard Bidding Documents (SBD) forms mentioned above on page 2 of this document, namely: SBD1, SBD 3.3, SBD 4, SBD 6.1.
- Bidders to be registered on the National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) by the closing date and time of this request for quotation. Bidders are to provide SASSETA with a copy of their CSD registration report downloaded from the National Treasury CSD Website.
- Initial each page of the General Condition of Contract (Annexure A) and submit with your proposal

3.2.1.2 Phase 2 – Functionality evaluations

- All shortlisted proposals from phase 1 will be evaluated on the criteria provided in the table below. The proposals of all service providers will be rated on a scale of 0 to 2 as follows:
 - 0: Required document/item not submitted /Unacceptable, does not meet set criteria
 - 1: Satisfactory should be adequate for stated element
 - 2: Very good, above average compliance to the requirement

PROPOSED SELECTION CRITERIA

Element	Functionality Evaluation		Functionality Weight	Total Score
<p>The bidding company to demonstrate four (4) or more completed assignments in undertaking verification of learner assessments. Four (4) or more Signed reference letters on previous client's letterhead with contact details to be submitted confirming their satisfaction on the completed assignments (Attach signed reference letters)</p> <p>(50 Points)</p>	0	Bidder did not submit reference letters. The bidder submitted less than three (3) reference letters.	50	
	1	Bidder submitted three (3) reference letters from clients (existing or previous) in undertaking verification of learner assessments. Reference letters must be on the client's letterhead, signed, and clearly detailing the scope of work, duration, and impression the client has with the service provider.		
	2	Bidder submitted more four (4) or more reference letters from clients (existing or previous) in undertaking verification of learner assessments. Reference letters must be on the client's letterhead, signed, and clearly detailing the scope of work, duration, and impression the client has with the service provider.		
<p>The proposed team member to submit their CV demonstrating a minimum of three (3) years' experience in undertaking external verification with any SETA/ ETQA/ government training institute(s).</p> <p>(50 Points)</p>	0	The bidding company did not submit the CV of the team leader/CV of the project leader has less than three (3) years of experience in undertaking verification of learner assessments.	50	
	1	CV of the project leader demonstrates three (3) years of experience in undertaking verification of learner assessments.		
	2	CV of the project manager/team leader demonstrates four (4) or more years of experience in undertaking verification of learner assessments.		
TOTAL SCORE				100

Bidders are required to obtain 75% functionality threshold for them to be shortlisted for phase 3 of the evaluation process. **Bidders who do not score 75% for functionality will be disqualified from further evaluation.**

3.2.1.3. **Phase 3 – Price and B-BBEE**

The value of this bid is estimated not to exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the 80/20 system shall be applicable where 80 points will be allocated to price and 20 points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) as follows:

Evaluation Criterion on Price and BBEE	
Relative competitiveness of proposed price	80
B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution	20
TOTAL FOR PRICE AND PREFERENCE	100

3.3. ADJUDICATION OF BID

3.2.2 The Bid Adjudication Committee will consider the recommendations of the Bid Evaluation Committee (BEC) and make a recommendation to the Award Authority to make the final award. The successful bidder will usually be the service provider scoring the highest number of points lower-scoring bid based on firm, verifiable and justifiable grounds, or no award at all.

PART A - INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY)					
BID NUMBER:	RFP/SASSETA/222311106	CLOSING DATE:	31 January 2023	CLOSING TIME:	11h00
DESCRIPTION	Appointment panel of External Verifiers from the ate of appointment until 31 March 2027				
PROPOSALS TO BE EMAILED:					
Proposals to be submitted electronically via email to externalverifiers@sasseta.org.za OR be couriered, posted or hand delivered to SASSETA Offices, Building 2 Waterfall Corporate Campus, 74 Waterfall Drive, Waterfall City, Midrand, 2090 for the attention of Mr. Mabolane Mankga.					
BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO			TECHNICAL ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		
CONTACT PERSON	Mr. Mabolane Mankga		CONTACT PERSON	Mr. Mabolane Mankga	
E-MAIL ADDRESS	scm02@sasseta.org.za		E-MAIL ADDRESS	scm02@sasseta.org.za	
SUPPLIER INFORMATION					
NAME OF BIDDER					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
STREET ADDRESS					
TELEPHONE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
CELLPHONE NUMBER					
FACSIMILE NUMBER	CODE		NUMBER		
E-MAIL ADDRESS					
VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER					
SUPPLIER COMPLIANCE STATUS	TAX COMPLIANCE SYSTEM PIN:		OR	CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE No:	MAAA
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE	TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT	[TICK APPLICABLE BOX] <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
[A B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE/ SWORN AFFIDAVIT (FOR EMES & QSEs) MUST BE SUBMITTED IN ORDER TO QUALIFY FOR PREFERENCE POINTS FOR B-BBEE]					
ARE YOU THE ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE IN SOUTH AFRICA FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]		ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No [IF YES, ANSWER PART B:3]	
QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS					
IS THE ENTITY A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
DOES THE ENTITY HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
IS THE ENTITY LIABLE IN THE RSA FOR ANY FORM OF TAXATION?					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
IF THE ANSWER IS "NO" TO ALL OF THE ABOVE, THEN IT IS NOT A REQUIREMENT TO REGISTER FOR A TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS SYSTEM PIN CODE FROM THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE (SARS) AND IF NOT REGISTER AS PER 2.3 BELOW.					

PART B

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:
1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESS. LATE BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR CONSIDERATION.
1.2. ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE OFFICIAL FORMS PROVIDED–(NOT TO BE RE-TYPED) OR IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED IN THE BID DOCUMENT.
1.3. THIS BID IS SUBJECT TO THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT POLICY FRAMEWORK ACT, 2000 AND THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017, THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT (GCC) AND, IF APPLICABLE, ANY OTHER SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.
1.4. THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).
2. TAX COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS
2.1 BIDDERS MUST ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THEIR TAX OBLIGATIONS.
2.2 BIDDERS ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THEIR UNIQUE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (PIN) ISSUED BY SARS TO ENABLE THE ORGAN OF STATE TO VERIFY THE TAXPAYER’S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) PIN MAY BE MADE VIA E-FILING THROUGH THE SARS WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS CERTIFICATE TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED, EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE TCS CERTIFICATE / PIN / CSD NUMBER.
2.6 WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.
2.7 NO BIDS WILL BE CONSIDERED FROM PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, COMPANIES WITH DIRECTORS WHO ARE PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE, OR CLOSE CORPORATIONS WITH MEMBERS PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE STATE.”

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE / OR COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID.

NAME OF SIGNATORY

SIGNATURE OF BIDDER:

N/B.: If a Company has one director as listed on CSD, the one Director to sign these documents on behalf of the Company. Any other member of the Company will require a Company Resolution to be attached to this submission signed by the duly Authorised Director.

N/B.: If the Company has more than one Director as listed on CSD, a signed Company Resolution to be attached to confirm that the one Director can sign on behalf of the Company. Any other member of the Company will require a Company Resolution to be attached to this submission signed by the duly Authorised Directors.

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED:
(Proof of authority must be submitted e.g. company resolution)

DATE:

**PRICING SCHEDULE
(Professional Services)**

NAME OF BIDDER:	BID NO.: RFP/SASSETA/222311106
CLOSING TIME: 11h00	CLOSING DATE: 31 January 2023

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 120 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.

ITEM NO	DESCRIPTION	BID PRICE IN RSA CURRENCY **(ALL APPLICABLE TAXES INCLUDED)
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1. The accompanying information must be used for the formulation of proposals.
2. **Bidders hereby confirm the acceptance of the offered fixed hourly rate by signing SBD 3.3.**

SASSETA is offering a fixed hourly rate with annual escalations as follows:

NO.	PERIOD	ANNUAL RATE (INCL. OF VAT)
1	Y1 – Date of appointment to 31 March 2024	R850.00
2	Y2 – 01 April 2024 to 31 March 2025	R900.00
3	Y3 – 01 April 2025 to 31 March 2026	R950.00
4	Y4 - 01 April 2026 to 31 March 2027	R1000.00

NB: Service providers MUST confirm acceptance/nonacceptance of the proposed cost below by Ticking the applicable box:

Yes, we accept the annual hourly costs as stated above

No, we don't accept the annual hourly costs as stated above

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Signature

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Date

.....
Position

.....
Name of bidder

(To be signed by a duly Authorised Delegate)

BIDDER'S DISCLOSURE

1. PURPOSE OF THE FORM

Any person (natural or juristic) may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid. In line with the principles of transparency, accountability, impartiality, and ethics as enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa and further expressed in various pieces of legislation, it is required for the bidder to make this declaration in respect of the details required hereunder.

Where a person/s are listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters and / or the List of Restricted Suppliers, that person will automatically be disqualified from the bid process.

2. Bidder's declaration

2.1 Is the bidder, or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, employed by the state? **YES/NO**

2.1.1 If so, furnish particulars of the names, individual identity numbers, and, if applicable, state employee numbers of sole proprietor/ directors / trustees / shareholders / members/ partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise, in tableb

Full Name	Identity Number	Name of State institution

N/B. If more space required, Service providers are to copy this table onto their letterhead and provide information as per the table above

2.2 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have a relationship with any person who is employed by the procuring institution? **YES/NO**

2.2.1 If so, furnish particulars:
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2.3 Does the bidder or any of its directors / trustees / shareholders / members / partners or any person having a controlling interest in the enterprise have any interest in any other related enterprise whether or not they are bidding for this contract? **YES/NO**

2.3.1 If so, furnish particulars:
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3. DECLARATION

I, the undersigned, (name).....in submitting the accompanying bid, do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

- 3.1 I have read and I understand the contents of this disclosure;
- 3.2 I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this disclosure is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
- 3.3 The bidder has arrived at the accompanying bid independently from, and without consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor. However, communication between partners in a joint venture or consortium¹ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
- 3.4 In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications, prices, including methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices, market allocation, the intention or decision to submit or not to submit the bid, bidding with the intention not to win the bid and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
- 3.5 The terms of the accompanying bid have not been, and will not be, disclosed by the bidder, directly or indirectly, to any competitor, prior to the date and time of the official bid opening or of the awarding of the contract.
- 3.6 There have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements made by the bidder with any official of the procuring institution in relation to this procurement process prior to and during the bidding process except to provide clarification on the bid submitted where so required by the institution; and the bidder was not involved in the drafting of the specifications or terms of reference for this bid.
- 3.7 I am aware that, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided to combat any restrictive practices related to bids and contracts, bids that are suspicious will be reported to the Competition Commission for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties in terms of section 59 of the Competition Act No 89 of 1998 and or may be reported to the National Prosecuting Authority (NPA) for criminal investigation and or may be restricted from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years in terms of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No 12 of 2004 or any other applicable legislation.

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 1, 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT. I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 6 OF PFMA SCM INSTRUCTION 03 OF 2021/22 ON PREVENTING AND COMBATING ABUSE IN THE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

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¹ Joint venture or Consortium means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract.

PREFERENCE POINTS CLAIM FORM IN TERMS OF THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS 2017

This preference form must form part of all bids invited. It contains general information and serves as a claim form for preference points for Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment (B-BBEE) Status Level of Contribution

NB: BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM, BIDDERS MUST STUDY THE GENERAL CONDITIONS, DEFINITIONS AND DIRECTIVES APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF B-BBEE, AS PRESCRIBED IN THE PREFERENTIAL PROCUREMENT REGULATIONS, 2017.

1. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 1.1 The following preference point systems are applicable to all bids:
- the 80/20 system for requirements with a Rand value of up to R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included); and
 - the 90/10 system for requirements with a Rand value above R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included).

a) The value of this RFP is estimated **not to exceed** R50 000 000, **therefore the 80/20 reference point system shall be applicable.**

- 1.2 Points for this bid shall be awarded for:

- (a) Price; and
(b) B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor.

- 1.3 The maximum points for this bid are allocated as follows:

	POINTS
PRICE	80
B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR	20
Total points for Price and B-BBEE must not exceed	100

- 1.4 Failure on the part of a bidder to submit proof of B-BBEE Status level of contributor together with the bid, will be interpreted to mean that preference points for B-BBEE status level of contribution are not claimed.
- 1.5 The purchaser reserves the right to require of a bidder, either before a bid is adjudicated or at any time subsequently, to substantiate any claim in regard to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

2. DEFINITIONS

- (a) **“B-BBEE”** means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (b) **“B-BBEE status level of contributor”** means the B-BBEE status of an entity in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment, issued in terms of section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (c) **“bid”** means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by an organ of state for the provision of goods or services, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals;
- (d) **“Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act”** means the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003);
“EME” means an Exempted Micro Enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (e) **“functionality”** means the ability of a tenderer to provide goods or services in accordance with specifications as set out in the tender documents.

- (f) “prices” includes all applicable taxes less all unconditional discounts;
- (g) “proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor” means:
 - 1) B-BBEE Status level certificate issued by an authorized body or person;
 - 2) A sworn affidavit as prescribed by the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice;
 - 3) Any other requirement prescribed in terms of the B-BBEE Act;
- (h) “QSE” means a qualifying small business enterprise in terms of a code of good practice on black economic empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;
- (i) “rand value” means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

3. **POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE**
 3.1 **THE 80/20 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS**

A maximum of 80 points is allocated for price on the following basis:
80/20

$$P_s = 80 \left(1 - \frac{P_t - P_{\min}}{P_{\min}} \right)$$

Where

- P_s = Points scored for price of bid under consideration
- P_t = Price of bid under consideration
- P_{min} = Price of lowest acceptable bid

4. **POINTS AWARDED FOR B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR**

4.1 In terms of Regulation 6 (2) and 7 (2) of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, preference points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contribution in accordance with the table below:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	20
2	18
3	14
4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

5. **BID DECLARATION**

5.1 Bidders who claim points in respect of B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution **must** complete the following:

6. **B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL OF CONTRIBUTOR CLAIMED IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPHS 1.4 AND 4.1**

6.1 B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor: . =(maximum of 20 points)

(Points claimed in respect of paragraph 7.1 must be in accordance with the table reflected in paragraph 4.1 and must be substantiated by relevant proof of B-BBEE status level of contributor.

7. **SUB-CONTRACTING**

7.1 Will any portion of the contract be sub-contracted?
(Tick applicable box)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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7.1.1 If yes, indicate:

i) What percentage of the contract will be subcontracted?.....%

ii) The name of the sub-contractor.....

iii) The B-BBEE status level of the sub-contractor.....

iv) Whether the sub-contractor is an EME or QSE

(Tick applicable box)

YES	<input type="checkbox"/>	NO	<input type="checkbox"/>
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v) Specify, by ticking the appropriate box, if subcontracting with an enterprise in terms of Preferential Procurement Regulations,2017:

Designated Group: An EME or QSE which is at last 51% owned by:	EME	QSE
	√	√
Black people		
Black people who are youth		
Black people who are women		
Black people with disabilities		
Black people living in rural or underdeveloped areas or townships		
Cooperative owned by black people		
Black people who are military veterans		
OR		
Any EME		
Any QSE		

8. DECLARATION WITH REGARD TO COMPANY/FIRM

8.1 Name of company/firm:.....

8.2 VAT registration number:.....

8.3 Company registration number:.....

8.4 TYPE OF COMPANY/ FIRM

- Partnership/Joint Venture / Consortium
- One person business/sole propriety
- Close corporation
- Company
- (Pty) Limited

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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8.6 COMPANY CLASSIFICATION

- Manufacturer
- Supplier
- Professional service provider
- Other service providers, e.g. transporter, etc.

[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.7 Total number of years the company/firm has been in business:.....

8.8 I/we, the undersigned, who is / are duly authorised to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of

SBD 6.1

contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificate, qualifies the company/ firm for the preference(s) shown and I / we acknowledge that:

- i) The information furnished is true and correct;
- ii) The preference points claimed are in accordance with the General Conditions as indicated in paragraph 1 of this form;
- iii) In the event of a contract being awarded as a result of points claimed as shown in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1, the contractor may be required to furnish documentary proof to the satisfaction of the purchaser that the claims are correct;
- iv) If the B-BBEE status level of contributor has been claimed or obtained on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of contract have not been fulfilled, the purchaser may, in addition to any other remedy it may have –
 - (a) disqualify the person from the bidding process; recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person’s conduct;
 - (b) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (c) recommend that the bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors, or only the shareholders and directors who acted on a fraudulent basis, be restricted by the National Treasury from obtaining business from any organ of state for a period not exceeding 10 years, after the *audi alteram partem* (hear the other side) rule has been applied; and
 - (d) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

<p>WITNESSES</p> <p>1.</p> <p>2.</p> <p>(Both witnesses are required to sign this document. SBD 6.1 submitted without signatures will be disqualified from evaluation)</p>

<p>.....</p> <p>SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)</p>
<p>DATE:</p> <p>ADDRESS</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>

**(MUST be signed by a duly Authorised Delegate. A signed Company Resolution must be submitted).
Non adherence to this requirement will lead to a disqualification)**

If you receive any suspicious calls asking for payment to secure an award of a bid or that the outcome of a tender can be influenced in your favour, please immediately inform the SASSETA Anti-Corruption Hotline at 0800 204 143 for further investigation.

BIDDERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO USE THE FOLLOWING CHECKLIST WHEN SUBMITTING THEIR BIDS:

NO.	DETAILS	TICK BY BIDDER
1.	Part 1: Completed and signed the invitation to bid document (SBD 1) • To be signed by a duly Authorised Delegate.	
2.	Part 2: Completed and signed pricing schedule (SBD 3.3) • To be signed by a duly Authorised Delegate.	
3.	Part 3: Completed and signed the bidder's declaration (SBD 4). <i>(In case of a consortium/ joint venture, or where sub-Service providers are utilised, each party to the bid to complete and sign the declaration of interest document)</i> • To be signed by a duly Authorised Delegate	
4.	Part 4: Completed and signed the Preference Points Claim form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017 (SBD 6.1) • To be signed by a duly Authorised Delegate. • Not claiming points as per bullet 6.1 and 6.2 on SBD 6.1 will lead to B-BBEE points not awarded	
5.	Part 5: Submitted an original/ certified copy of a valid BBEE Certificate/Sworn Affidavit signed by a Commissioner of Oath. <i>(In case of a trust, consortium or joint venture, bidders will qualify for points for their B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that the entity <u>submits their consolidated B-BBEE scorecard</u> as if they were a group structure and that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.</i> • Non submission of a valid B-BBEE Certificate/sworn affidavit will lead to zero points awarded	
6.	Part 6: Submitted the General Conditions of Contract (initial each page)	
7.	Part 7: Bidders National Treasury Central Supplier Database (CSD) forms indicating the validity of the bidder's registration	
8.	Part 8: Bidder's attached quotation on the Company letterhead inclusive of VAT and any other applicable costs in line with the SBD 3.3	
9.	Part 9: Bidders are to submit four (4) or more signed reference letters on a client's letterhead demonstrating experience in undertaking verification of learner assessment.	
10.	Part 10: The proposed team member to submit their CV demonstrating a minimum of three (3) years' experience in undertaking external verification with any SETA/ ETQA/ government training institute(s).	
11.	Part 11: Proof of ETDP SETA Assessor and Moderator statement of results or OD ETD qualification to be attached. Responses/bidding documents submitted without both Assessor and Moderator SoR from ETDP SETA or OD ETD qualification will be automatically disqualified.	