

GOVERNMENT OF ANTIGUA & BARBUDA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
BASIC EDUCATION PROJECT II (BEP II) PROJECT

ROOF RECONSTRUCTION WORKS FOR
IRENE B. WILLIAMS SECONDARY SCHOOL

INVITATION TO BID

The Government of Antigua and Barbuda (GOAB) has received financing from the Caribbean Development Bank (CDB) towards the cost of Basic Education Project II (BEP II) 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 GOAB 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 GOAB shall derive any rights from the Loan Agreement or have any claim to the proceeds of the Loan.

The Project is being implemented by the Ministry of Education, Sports and Creative Industries through its Planning Division. The Ministry of Education has contracted Consultants who will assist the Contractor with delivering the Project. The Consultants have prepared designs and contract documentation and will assist in tender administration and evaluation and supervise Project activities.

The Ministry of Education - Planning Unit, now invites electronic bids from eligible and qualified Bidders for **BEP II Irene B. Williams Secondary School Roof Reconstruction Works. The works include, but are not limited to the following:**

Irene B. Williams Secondary School (Block A) – Roof Construction Scope of Works:

1. Demolish and remove roof sections 1, 2 and 3 of Block A (as indicated on the drawings).
2. Replace roof sections 1, 2 and 3 of Block A as per drawings.
3. Replace all electrical lighting fixtures and associated components (eg. electrical wires) based on the original lighting layout.
4. Paint interior ceiling surfaces and rafters with 1 coat wood primer and two coats semi-gloss/satin white finish paint.

5. Retouch and repaint interior and exterior wall surfaces under roof sections 1, 2 and 3 in Block A.

Firms whether bidding individually or in the form of a Joint Venture, shall:

- (a) be legally incorporated or otherwise organized in, and have their principal place of business in an Eligible Country;
- (b) be more than fifty (50) percent beneficially owned by a citizen or citizens and/or a bona fide resident or residents of an Eligible Country, or by a body corporate or bodies meeting these requirements, as far as the ownership can be reasonably determined; and
- (c) shall have no arrangement and undertake not to make any arrangement whereby the majority of the financial benefits of the contract, i.e. more than fifty (50) percent of the value of the contract, will accrue or be paid to sub-contractors or sub-consultants that are not from an Eligible Country.

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.

Qualification requirements include, inter alia:

- (a) an average annual turnover (defined as certified payments received for works in progress or completed) within the last 5 years of at least One million United States dollars (US\$1,000,000.00);
- (b) a demonstrable cash flow (including access to credit) of two hundred thousand United States dollars (US\$200,000.00); and
- (c) experience as prime contractor in the construction of at least one (1) assignment of a nature, scope and complexity comparable to the proposed project activity within the last five (5) years (to comply with this requirement, works quoted should be at least 80 percent complete).

A complete set of bidding documents can be accessed from the websites listed below. Bid documents can also be requested by personal application or in writing to the administrative assistant **Ms. Nekida Hector** via email at prounit.moe@gmail.com.

Electronic copies of Bids (in pdf format) must be submitted to the first email address below, with the name and address of the bidder, and be clearly marked "**Bid for Roof Reconstruction Works BEPII Project**" no later than **12 midnight March 18th. 2024**. Bids will be opened publicly on **March 19th. 2024 at 10:00 am**, in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend at the first address below. Qualification

information only must be submitted simultaneously to the second address below. All Questions related to the Tender documents should be done in writing to the administrative assistant Ms. Nekida Hector at the aforementioned email address with the caption “**IBW Roof Reconstruction Questions**”. The close off period to all questions will be **12 noon March 10th. 2024**.

Late bids will be rejected unopened.

GOAB Ministry of Education 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 GOAB/Ministry of Education action. GOAB will not defray any costs incurred by any bidder in the preparation of bids.

1. Address to obtain Bidding Documents, Bid Submission and Bid Opening

Chairman, Procurement Board
C/o Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Works
St. John’s St.
St. John’s
Antigua
Tel. (268)460-6034
Email: tenders.board@ab.gov.ag
Website: www.ab.gov.ag

2. Address for Clarifications on Bidding Documents

Project Coordinator
Project Unit
Planning Department
Ministry of Education, Sports and Creative Industries
Friendly Alley
St. John’s
Antigua
Email: Jessie.Purcell@ab.gov.ag

3. Address for Qualification Information Only

Procurement Officer
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