

RESPONSE TO BIDDER #1

DEVELOPMENT AND INSTALLATION OF MINING CADASTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT MINERALS IN JAMAICA

Project Title: ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme

Country: Jamaica Reference number: 68916 e-Tendering :- JAM10-17-2020

- Question: Page 2 of ToR states "The Mining Cadastre will be housed at Mines and Geology Division." and in the next paragraph the ToR states "The mining cadastre is hosted online...". Can you please clarify if the Mines and Geology Division has the requisite server environment to deploy the mining cadatsre on a reliable internal server with suitable bandwidth to allow for online access? Or alternatively, is there a Jamaican Government data centre available to house the system?
 - ✓ The Mines and Geology Division currently don't have the requiste server environment to deploy the mining cadastre nor does the Mines and Geology Division currently have te suitable bandwith to allow for online access. There is a center available but not sure of the contractural agreement that it entails.
- Question: The expected outcomes in the ToR state the mining cadastre will be hosted online.
 Can you please clarify if the ToR is requesting a fully transactional, online mining cadastre, which supports online submissions by license holders, or if the online component is referring only to viewing/querying information?
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- Question: Page 3 of ToR states "Creating a maintainable cadastral (alphanumeric as well as graphic) database, which will be designed to be exported directly to the current computerized Mining Cadastre System." The previous section on page 2 of the ToR states the Consultant "....by implementing a new and computerized functional mining cadastre using state-of-theart software". Can you please clarify if the goal is is work with the existing system, or if a new modern, web-based mining cadastre system is required and will replace the old system?
 - ✓ Work with the existing system or if a new web based mining cadaster system is required to replace what is currently existing.
- Question: Page 3 of the ToR, states "The design of the mining cadastre system should provide
 all the required features and operational procedures for the various levels of users. (owners
 and administrators of the system; associates, which may include the parent Ministry, the
 Jamaica Bauxite Institute, the National Land Agency, etc.; mineral exploration entities, owners
 and operators of mining and quarrying entities; and the general public)." Can you please advise

how many system users will required from the Mines and Geology Division's licensing team, and how many system users may require access from these other organisations?

- ✓ The system users will only be from the Mines and Geology team at different levels. A total of 6 users
- Question: Approximately how many transactions (license applications, payments, report submissions, renewals etc) on average, does the Mines and Geology Division process per month?
 - ✓ About 25 transactions per month
- **Question:** The IT Unit MGD will be responsible for cleaning and loading of data into the mining cadastre sytem. In what formats are the current data sources?
 - ✓ Shape files, JPEG and PDF
- **Question:** Can you please provide a copy of the standard UNDP General Terms and Conditions? The link referenced in the RFP documentation is inactive.
 - ✓ A copy of the GTC is attached.
- Question: We have analysed the tender document carefully and have the following observations:
 - we think an overall time frame of 2 months is according to our experience by no means sufficient to achieve the aimed-at results. In comparable projects the required time is between 6 months and one year with the involvement of different experts bringing their specific expertise (legal, IT, DBMS, GIS/cadastre...)
 - ✓ The Mining Cadastre Committee, of the Mines and Geology Division, thinks that 2 months is sufficient time to achieve the results given the quantity of data, resources and information available.
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 - ✓ The Mining Cadastre Committee, of the Mines and Geology Division, at that time, thought that performing trainings and workshop could be done via online platforms, such as Zoom, Microsoft teams. Assessing the requirements can also be done with the support of the Committee, of the Division who will provide any information requested. Based on the current pandemic, the Committee thinks that travelling is risky.