Invitation for Bids (IFB)

**Country: Republic of Kazakhstan**

**Project: Customs Development Project**

**Loan No: 4874- KZ**

**ICB No: CDPKZ/ICB-23 “Server equipment”**

1. This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice for this Project that appeared in Development Business, an issue of December 2011.

2. The Republic of Kazakhstan has received a loan from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development toward the cost of Customs Development Project, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan to payments under the Contract for CDPKZ/ICB-23 “Server equipment” consisting of following:

**Lot 1: Switches;**

**Lot 2: Motherboards for SAN Directors;**

**Lot 3: Blade servers**

3. The State Revenue Committee under the Ministry of Finance of the Kazakhstan Republic now invites sealed bids from eligible and qualified bidders for the procurement of Information-communication equipment.

4. Bidding will be conducted through the International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in the World Bank’s *Guidelines: Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits (May 2004)*, and is open to all bidders from Eligible Source Countries as defined in the Guidelines.

5. Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from the State Revenue Committee, Ministry of Finance of RoK and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below from 10:00 to 18:00 on regular business days:

**State Revenue Committee**,

Ministry of Finance of the Kazakhstan Republic

Customs Development Project

**10, Beibitshilik str., 3rd floor, room 311**, **Astana, 010000, Republic of Kazakhstan**

Please call from the entrance to extension 2914.

Contact person **Ms. Kamshat Yechshanova, Procurement Consultant of Customs Development Project, Project and Modernization Division of State Revenue Committee**

Tel.: +7 7172 701 463

Electronic mail address: **cdp@customs.kz**

6. Qualifications requirements include:

**Experience and Technical Capacity**

1. *The bidder has successful experience as Prime Contractor in at least 2 (two) contracts of similar nature and volume over the last 5 (five) years (2010-2014).*
2. *The Manufacturer of offered goods shall have experience in manufacturing similar Goods for not less than 5 (five) years;*
3. *The Manufacturer of offered goods will have a Quality Management System certified according with the latest internationally recognized standards (ISO or other appropriate standard in the Manufacturer’s country);*

A margin of preference for certain goods manufactured domestically shall not be applied. Additional details are provided in the Bidding Documents.

7. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English may be obtained by interested bidders on the submission of a written notification to the following email address: cdp@customs.kz , either via email in PDF format, or it can be collected by a bidder’s representative from the Project’s office at the address below. A Russian translation of the Bidding Document may also be obtained if specified in the bidder’s request. However, attention is drawn to the bidders upon the fact that the official version of the Bidding Documents is **only** the English version, and that all correspondence related to this procedure, as well as the bids shall be submitted in English language.

8. Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **15 July, 2015***,* **15:00 hours, Astana time**. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late bids will be rejected. Bids will be opened on **15 July, 2015***,* **15:00 hours, Astana time**in the presence of the bidders’ representatives who choose to attend in person at the address below. All bids must be accompanied by a Bid - Securing Declaration.

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