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Contact Person:		
Tel Number:		
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Briefing Session:	No briefing session will be held	
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Please indicate whether a document is the original or copy, tick the applicable block.

(Required: 1 Original and 1 Copy)

ORIGINAL		COPY	
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Due to COVID-19 the procedure for the physical delivery of tender submissions may be subjected to change, and this will be communicated timeously via the College's website.

The closing date for the submission of the proposal is **14 February 2022 at 10:00 AM**. Proposal documents are to be deposited in the tender box at the reception of the **Central Johannesburg TVET College, 5 Ubla Avenue, off Princess of Wales Terrace, Central Office 1, Parktown, South Africa**.

Two printed and bound documents (1 original and 1 copy) of the RFP, as well as the soft copy (on USB) in PDF format are required. Late submissions, as well as emailed submissions will not be accepted.

*It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that all documentation is compressed and arrives to the institution on time and in the format suitable for bidding.

Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered timeously to the correct address. If the bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration. All bids must be submitted on the official forms (not to be re-typed).



BIDDER'S INFORMATION:

Name of bidder

Postal Address

Street Address

Telephone Number

Code:

Number:

Cell-phone Number

Facsimile Number

Email Address

VAT Registration Number

Is the Service Provider Registered on CSD? MAAA Number:

Has the Bidder's Tax Status been verified on CSD (SBD 2)?

Yes	No	
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Has a B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate been submitted? (SBD 6.1)

Yes	No	
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If yes, who was the certificate issued by? [Tick applicable box]

	An accounting officer as contemplated in the Close Corporation Act (CCA)
	A verification agency accredited by the South African Accreditation System (SANAS) or CIPC
	A registered auditor
	Sworn Affidavit or a B- BBEE status level verification certificate

Are you an accredited representative in South Africa for the goods / services / work offered?

Yes	No	[If yes, please enclose proof]
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Total Bid Price [Inclusive of VAT]:

Signature of bidder

Capacity under which this bid is signed

Date

GLOSSARY

Award Letter Conclusion of the procurement process and final notification to the successful bidder

B-BBEE	Broad-based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act No. 53 of 2003) and the Codes of Good Practice issued thereunder by the Department of Trade and Industry
Bid	Written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by Central Johannesburg TVET College for the provision of goods, works or services
Service Provider	Organization with whom Central Johannesburg TVET College will conclude a contract and potential service level agreement subsequent to the final award of the contract based on this Request for Bid
Core Team	Team members who fill the non-administrative positions against which the experience will be measured.
EME	Exempted Micro Enterprise in terms of the Codes of Good Practice
GCC	General Conditions of Contract
Original Bid	Original document signed in ink, or Copy of original document signed in ink
Originally certified	To comply with the principle of originally certified, a document must be both stamped and signed in original ink by a Commissioner of oaths.
SCM	Supply Chain Management
SLA	Service Level Agreement
TOR	Terms of Reference

1. PRE-QUALIFICATION CRITERIA / MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

MANDATORY RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS	Submitted [Yes/No]
<p>The company must be registered as a service provider on the Central Supplier Database (CSD). If you are not registered proceed to complete the registration of your company prior to submitting your proposal.</p> <p>Visit https://secure.csd.gov.za/ to obtain your vendor number. Submit proof of registration.</p>	
SBD 1 (Fully Completed and Signed)	
SBD 2 (Fully Completed and Signed)	
SBD 3 (Fully Completed and Signed)	
SBD 4: Fully Completed and signed Declaration of Interest accompanied by clear and certified copies of directors/members identity documents.	
SBD 5: Fully Completed and signed Preference Points Claim Form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations 2017 Non-submission will lead to a zero (0) score on BBBEE in line with the Prequalification Criteria set out in the bid document	
SBD 6: Fully Completed and signed Declaration of Bidder's past Supply Chain Management practices	
SBD 7: Fully Completed and signed Certificate of Independent Bid Determination	
Government procurement general conditions of contract	

Without limiting the generality of the Central Johannesburg TVET College's other critical requirements for this Bid, bidder(s) must submit the documents listed in Table 1 and 2 below. All documents must be completed and signed by the duly authorized representative of the prospective bidder(s). During this phase, Bidders' responses will be evaluated based on compliance with the listed administration and mandatory bid requirements.

The bidder(s) proposal will be disqualified for non-submission OR non-compliance of any of the documents.

TABLE: 2 – ESSENTIAL RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS

Essential Returnable Documents required for evaluation purposes:

Failure to provide all essential Returnable Documents used for purposes of scoring a bid, by the closing date and time of this bid will not result in a Respondent's disqualification. However, Bidders will receive an automatic score of zero for the applicable evaluation criterion. Bidders are therefore urged to ensure that all these documents are returned with their Proposals.

ESSENTIAL RETURNABLE DOCUMENTS USED FOR SCORING	SUBMITTED [Yes or No]
Bidders are required to submit scanned certified valid B-BBEE certificates / Sworn Affidavit or scanned certified copies in order to substantiate their rating claims. Non-submission will lead to a zero (0) score on BBBEE, but the bidder will not be disqualified from the process.	
Company Profile with name and physical office address, contact details, names of directors, Certified ID Copies of all shareholders/directors of the registered company.	
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If yes, the identity of the principal is noted below:

Declaration

I/We have examined the information provided in your bid documents and offer to undertake the work prescribed in accordance with the requirements as set out in the bid document. The prices quoted in this bid are valid for the stipulated period. I/We confirm the availability of the proposed team members. We confirm that this bid will remain binding upon us and may be accepted by you at any time before the expiry date.

Signature of bidder:

Date:

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Are you duly authorized to commit the bidder:	YES		NO	
Capacity under which this bid is signed:				
TOTAL BID PRICE (INCLUSIVE OF VAT)				

SBD 2

INVITATION TO BID

YOU ARE HEREBY INVITED TO BID FOR REQUIREMENTS OF THE (NAME OF DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY)

BID NUMBER: CJC/DBTCOLL/001/2022	CLOSING DATE:	14/02/2022	CLOSING TIME:	10:00 AM
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DESCRIPTION: APPOINTMENT OF A SERVICE PROVIDER TO PROVIDE THE DEBT COLLECTION SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF 3 YEARS

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER WILL BE REQUIRED TO FILL IN AND SIGN A WRITTEN CONTRACT FORM (SBD7).

BID RESPONSE DOCUMENTS SHALL BE HAND DELIVERED AND DEPOSITED INTO THE TENDER BOX AT THE ADDRESS BELOW:

**CENTRAL JOHANNESBURG TVET COLLEGE
CENTRAL OFFICE 1 RECEPTION
5 UBLA AVENUE (OFF PRINCESS OF WALES TERRACE)
PARKTOWN**

Failure to submit on time will disqualify the bidder.

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				
	TCS PIN:		OR	CSD No:

B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL VERIFICATION CERTIFICATE [TICK APPLICABLE BOX]	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL SWORN AFFIDAVIT STATUS	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>
	No <input type="checkbox"/>		No <input type="checkbox"/>
IF YES, WHO WAS THE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY?			
AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS		AN ACCOUNTING OFFICER AS CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA)	
CONTEMPLATED IN THE CLOSE CORPORATION ACT (CCA) AND NAME THE APPLICABLE IN THE TICK BOX		A VERIFICATION AGENCY ACCREDITED BY THE SOUTH AFRICAN ACCREDITATION SYSTEM (SANAS)	
		A REGISTERED AUDITOR	
		NAME:	

[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?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> [IF YES ENCLOSE PROOF]	ARE YOU A FOREIGN BASED SUPPLIER FOR THE GOODS /SERVICES /WORKS OFFERED?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> [IF YES ANSWER PART B:3 BELOW]
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SIGNATURE OF BIDDER		DATE	
SIGNATURE OF BIDDER		DATE	

CAPACITY UNDER WHICH THIS BID IS SIGNED (Attach proof of authority to sign this bid, e.g., Resolution of directors, etc.)			
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TOTAL NUMBER OF ITEMS OFFERED		TOTAL BID PRICE (ALL INCLUSIVE)	
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BIDDING PROCEDURE ENQUIRIES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:		TECHNICAL INFORMATION MAY BE DIRECTED TO:	
DEPARTMENT/ PUBLIC ENTITY		CONTACT PERSON	
CONTACT PERSON		TELEPHONE NUMBER	
TELEPHONE NUMBER		FACSIMILE NUMBER	
FACSIMILE NUMBER		E-MAIL ADDRESS	
E-MAIL ADDRESS			

PART B

TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BIDDING

1. BID SUBMISSION:

- 1.1. BIDS MUST BE DELIVERED BY THE STIPULATED TIME TO THE CORRECT ADDRESSES. 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 ONLINE
- 1.3. BIDDERS MUST REGISTER ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD) TO UPLOAD MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS; AND BANKING INFORMATION FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES). B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.
- 1.4. WHERE A BIDDER IS NOT REGISTERED ON THE CSD, MANDATORY INFORMATION NAMELY: (BUSINESS REGISTRATION/ DIRECTORSHIP/ MEMBERSHIP/IDENTITY NUMBERS; TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS MAY NOT BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID DOCUMENTATION. B-BBEE CERTIFICATE OR SWORN AFFIDAVIT FOR B-BBEE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO BIDDING INSTITUTION.
- 1.5. 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 LEGISLATION OR SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT.

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 VIEW THE TAXPAYER'S PROFILE AND TAX STATUS.
- 2.3 APPLICATION FOR TAX COMPLIANCE STATUS (TCS) OR PIN MAY ALSO BE MADE VIA E- FILING. IN ORDER TO USE THIS PROVISION, TAXPAYERS WILL NEED TO REGISTER WITH SARS AS E-FILERS THROUGH THE WEBSITE WWW.SARS.GOV.ZA.
- 2.4 BIDDERS MAY ALSO SUBMIT A PRINTED TCS TOGETHER WITH THE BID.
- 2.5 IN BIDS WHERE CONSORTIA / JOINT VENTURES / SUB-CONTRACTORS ARE INVOLVED; EACH PARTY MUST SUBMIT A SEPARATE PROOF OF TCS / PIN / CSD NUMBER. WHERE NO TCS IS AVAILABLE BUT THE BIDDER IS REGISTERED ON THE CENTRAL SUPPLIER DATABASE (CSD), A CSD NUMBER MUST BE PROVIDED.

3. QUESTIONNAIRE TO BIDDING FOREIGN SUPPLIERS

- 3.1. IS THE BIDDER A RESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA (RSA)?

YES NO

- 3.2. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A BRANCH IN THE RSA?

YES NO

- 3.3. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE A PERMANENT ESTABLISHMENT IN THE RSA?

YES NO

- 3.4. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY SOURCE OF INCOME IN THE RSA?

YES NO

- 3.5. DOES THE BIDDER HAVE ANY TEAM MEMBERS UNDER THE EMPLOY OF THE STATE?

YES NO

IF SO, ATTACH AN AFFIDAVIT DECLARING THE NATURE OF EMPLOY AND WHETHER A DECLARATION WAS MADE WITH THE EMPLOYER.

NB: FAILURE TO PROVIDE ANY OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS MAY RENDER THE BID INVALID

2. SPECIFICATIONS AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

2.1. OVERVIEW

The Central Johannesburg College (“CJC”) is registered in terms of the CET Colleges Act of 2006 as amended in 2012. The College operates through eight campuses located within a radius of 15 kilometers in and around the Johannesburg CBD. It is the only public TVET College in the City of Johannesburg, serving an estimated population of 3 million people. The Central Office, which provides support services to all the College Campuses, is situated next to the Parktown Campus, on number 5 Ubla Avenue, Off Princess of Wales Terrace, in Parktown, Johannesburg.

The College campuses are categorized as follows:

- ✓ Campus for Engineering Technology (ET);
- ✓ Campus for Enterprise & Business Development (EBD);
- ✓ Campus for Human & Health Services (HHS);
- ✓ Campus for Information & Communications Technology (ICT);

2.2. SCOPE OF REQUIRED GOODS AND SERVICES

The College is requesting proposals from service providers who will be responsible for collecting outstanding general student debt, owed to Central Johannesburg TVET College (“CJC”), on commission basis which must not exceed 20% of the debt recovered for a period of thirty-six (36) months.

The appointed service provider will be responsible for appointing and managing its own tracing agents for debtors whom the college is struggling to reach. The list of debtors to be followed up on will mainly be current and previous student with accounts older than 90 days.

DELIVERABLES:

The successful service provider will:

1. Be furnished with the list of outstanding consumer debt due to CJC and which has been outstanding for 90 days and over.
2. Take necessary steps to trace debtors for purposes of collecting outstanding revenue due to CJC, emphasis will be on long outstanding debtors
3. Take the necessary steps to collect outstanding amounts from student debtors, consult with student debtors whilst ensuring compliance with relevant legislative requirements and CJC’s Credit Control and Debt Management Policy.
4. Furnish CJC with the latest consumer information, where same has been confirmed.
5. Communicate to student debtors their current and handed over accounts status.
6. Arrangement for debt payment to be in line with CJC’s Credit Control and Debt Management Policy.
7. Ensure that all payments by student debtors are paid directly to CJC using CJC’s banking account details.
8. Forward all information regarding all payments arrangements made to CJC for capturing onto the financial system
9. Prepare and submit monthly reports detailing the payments received per debtor and include reasons for variances for targets not met
10. Prepare detailed weekly and monthly debt collection reports for submission to CJC’s Revenue Section, which must contain the following:
 - 10.1 the status of student debtor accounts submitted for follow up
 - 10.2 a summary of payments with detail on payment methods (direct bank deposit or eft.)
 - 10.3 commission amounts claimed by the debt collector
 - 10.4 narration of challenges encountered where applicable

All debt handed over will be on a “**No collection, no pay**” commission basis. The bidder should reflect the debt commission percentage inclusive of VAT. The price of the bid will be established by the percentage or rate tendered.

The project is commission based, therefore if there is no collection made by the service provider, no payment will be made by CJC.

Bidders must note that this bid may be awarded to **more than one** bidder.

2.3. REQUIREMENTS

Request for quotes from

1. Vendors who meet CJC procurement requirements
2. Previously disadvantaged individuals owned businesses and youth owned businesses are encouraged to participate.

3. CONDITIONS OF THE BID

- 3.1. Bidders shall not contact the College on any matter relating to their Proposal from the date of the opening of the proposals to the date the contract is awarded.
- 3.2. If a firm wishes to bring additional information to the notice of the College, it should do so via email, on the email address indicated.
- 3.3. Any effort by the bidder to influence the College in the proposal evaluation, proposal comparison or contract award decisions may result in the disqualification of the bidder's proposal.
- 3.4. The evaluation of technical proposals will be based on their responsiveness to the Terms of Reference, applying the evaluation criteria and point system indicated below.
- 3.5. Each responsive proposal will be given a technical score. A proposal considered to be unsuitable shall be rejected at this stage if it does not respond to important aspects of the Terms of Reference.
- 3.6. The College shall notify bidders of the rejection of their technical proposal after completing the selection process.

4. LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK OF THE BID

4.1. Tax Legislation

- 4.1.1 Bidder(s) must be compliant when submitting a proposal to the Central Johannesburg TVET College and remain compliant for the entire contract term with all applicable tax legislation, including but not limited to the Income Tax Act, 1962 (Act No. 58 of 1962) and Value Added Tax Act, 1991 (Act No. 89 of 1991).
- 4.1.2 It is a condition of this bid that the tax matters of the successful bidder are in order, or that satisfactory arrangements have been made with South African Revenue Service (SARS) to meet the bidder's tax obligations.
- 4.1.3 The Tax Compliance status requirements are also applicable to foreign bidders / individuals who wish to submit bids.
- 4.1.4 It is a requirement that bidders grant a written confirmation when submitting this bid that SARS may on an on-going basis during the tenure of the contract disclose the bidder's tax compliance status and by submitting this bid such confirmation is deemed to have been granted.

4.1.5 Bidders are required to be registered on the Central Supplier Database and the National Treasury shall verify the bidder's tax compliance status through the Central Supplier Database.

4.2. Procurement Legislation

The College has a detailed evaluation methodology premised on its SCM policy, the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act 2000 (Act, No.5 of 2000) and the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, 2003 (Act, No. 53 of 2003).

4.3. Technical Legislation and/or Standards

Bidder(s) should be cognisant of the legislation and standards applicable to the services.

5. **TIMELINE AND DATES OF THE BID PROCESS**

- 5.1 All dates and times in this bid are South African standard time. Any time or date in this bid is subject to change at the College's discretion.
- 5.2 The establishment of a time or date in this bid does not create an obligation on the part of the College to take any action or create any right in any way for any bidder to demand that any action be taken on the date established.
- 5.3 The bidder accepts that, if the College extends the deadline for bid submission for any reason, the requirements of this bid otherwise apply equally to the extended deadline.

6. TIMELINE AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

6.1 Functional criteria

FUNCTIONALITY EVALUATION CRITERIA	WEIGHT								
PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE									
<p>Company Experience</p> <p>Experience in providing debt collection services:</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>10 years or more experience</td> <td style="text-align: right;">20 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5 – 7 years' experience</td> <td style="text-align: right;">10 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1 - 5 years' experience</td> <td style="text-align: right;">5 points</td> </tr> </table> <p>Maximum Points: 20 Points</p>	10 years or more experience	20 points	5 – 7 years' experience	10 points	1 - 5 years' experience	5 points	20		
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<p>Contactable References</p> <p>A proven track record substantiated by reference to entities for which similar services have been provided. This shall include the following information for each project undertaken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entity name; • Contact name and telephone number; • Date when service was rendered; • Description of service; • Duration of project; and • Contract price. <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Provide 3 Contactable References</td> <td style="text-align: right;">20 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Provide 2 Contactable References</td> <td style="text-align: right;">10 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Provide 1 Contactable References</td> <td style="text-align: right;">5 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No references attached</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0 points</td> </tr> </table> <p>Maximum Points: 20 Points</p>	Provide 3 Contactable References	20 points	Provide 2 Contactable References	10 points	Provide 1 Contactable References	5 points	No references attached	0 points	20
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<p>Capability of proposed key Personnel</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td> <p>Debt Collection Experience: Proof of Registration with Council of Debt Collectors</p> </td> <td style="text-align: right;">10 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td> <p>Legal - Debt Collection Experience: Attorney with at least 5 years on the field</p> </td> <td style="text-align: right;">10 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td> <p>Accounting Experience Accountant with at least 5 years</p> </td> <td style="text-align: right;">10 points</td> </tr> </table> <p>CV's and qualifications of key personnel must be attached and must clearly show similar experience and the role executed by the resource on the said projects provided.</p> <p>Maximum Points: 30 Points</p>	<p>Debt Collection Experience: Proof of Registration with Council of Debt Collectors</p>	10 points	<p>Legal - Debt Collection Experience: Attorney with at least 5 years on the field</p>	10 points	<p>Accounting Experience Accountant with at least 5 years</p>	10 points	30		
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METHODOLOGY/PLAN						
<p>The service provider is to submit a detailed project plan with critical paths milestones and deliverables in line with the scope of work (e.g. a detailed step by step process to be followed in managing the contract, the methodology to be applied in meeting CJC's debt collection targets with planned outputs and timelines, the implementation of a seamless integration of Debt collector's system with CJC 's billing system for updated information, etc.)</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">A detailed proposal indicating timelines, proposed project plan in executing the projects and the methodology to be applied.</td> <td style="text-align: center;">30 points</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No plan attached</td> <td style="text-align: center;">0 points</td> </tr> </table>		A detailed proposal indicating timelines, proposed project plan in executing the projects and the methodology to be applied.	30 points	No plan attached	0 points	30
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No plan attached	0 points					
Maximum Points: 30 Points						
TOTAL		100				

6.1.1 Functionality points are equal to 100 points. Bidders are required to achieve a minimum score of **70** points on functionality evaluations in order to qualify to be evaluated on Price and BBBEE. All bidders who do not score the minimum points will be disqualified.

6.1.2 This bid will be evaluated using Functionality as a criterion due to the nature of the required commodity or service considering the quality, reliability, viability and durability of a service and the bidder's technical capacity and ability to execute a contract.

6.1.3 All acceptable bids (those meeting all the specified requirements) will be evaluated in terms of the stipulated criteria and points for functionality.

6.1.4 The College will apply Functionality and the **80/20** Preference Point System in the evaluation of this RFT.

6.1.5 The functionality points will be allocated in the table above as follows:

6.1.6 Functionality points are equal to 100 points. Bidders are required to achieve a minimum score of 70 points on functionality evaluations in order to qualify to be evaluated on Price and BBBEE. All bidders who do not score the minimum points will be disqualified).

6.1.7 The score for functionality shall be calculated as follows:

6.1.7.1 Each panel member shall award values for each individual criterion on a score sheet. The value scored for each criterion shall be multiplied with the specified weighting for the relevant criterion to obtain the marks scored for the various criteria. These marks should be added to obtain the total score for functionality.

6.1.7.2 The score of each panel member shall be added together and divided by the number of panel members to establish the average score obtained by each individual bidder for functionality.

6.1.7.3 Please note that the Evaluation Committee will use their own discretion to assess quality of all bid proposals received in relation to above functionality criteria and may further verify information submitted from relevant sources/your clients and use their own discretion to score the bidders proposal accordingly.

6.1.7.4 It is the responsibility of the bidder to seek clarity by enquiry before submission of the final bid, where the criteria are construed to be ambiguous or confusing. Should there be a difference of interpretation between the bidders and the College, the College reserves the right to make a final ruling on such interpretation.

7. ELIMINATION OF PROPOSALS ON GROUNDS OF FUNCTIONALITY

7.1 Bids that score less than 70 points for functionality will be eliminated from further consideration. Marks will therefore not be awarded for their cost proposals or for preference.

8. TRANSFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

8.1 In line with the national imperative of transformation, which is guided by the B-BBEE Codes of good practice, the organization aims to be a key contributor to socio-economic change in the country. The Central Johannesburg TVET College will therefore prioritize procurement from businesses certified at B-BBEE levels 1 and 2. In addition, preference may be given to companies that are at least 51% black- owned and at least 30% black women owned, youth owned and disabled owned.

PRICE AND B-BBEE STATUS LEVEL POINTS

9.1 Preference points for this RFT shall be awarded as below:

Criteria	Sub-criteria	Points
Price	Detailed budget breakdown	80
BBBEE Status Level Verification certificate from accredited verification agencies	BBBEE Level Contributor	20
Total Points		100

9.2 All remaining bids will be evaluated as follows:

9.2.1 The **80/20** preference point system will be applied. Points for price and B-BBEE status level certificate will be awarded in accordance with the stipulations in the Preference Point Claim Form in terms of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2017.

9.2.2 If appropriate, implied contract price adjustments will be made to the cost proposals of all remaining bids.

9.2.3 The point scored for the B-BBEE status level certificate for each acceptable bid will now be added to the price point.

9.2.4 The Evaluation Committee may recommend that the contract be awarded to the bidder obtaining the highest aggregate mark or to a lower scoring bid on justifiable grounds.

10 ADJUDICATION OF BID

The relevant award structure will consider the recommendations and make the final award. The successful bidder will usually be the service provider scoring the highest number of points or it may be a lower scoring bid on justifiable grounds or no award at all.

11. SPECIAL CONDITIONS OF BID

- The closing date for submissions is **14 February 2022 at 10:00 AM.**
- No Briefing session will be held for this bid.
- Bids should be submitted in a sealed envelope, clearly marked with:
 - Bid number.
 - Closing date and time.
 - The name and address of the Bidder.
- Bidder must submit an Original Bid Document with one (1) copy to the College in the manner prescribed in this bid document.
- Bidders should ensure that bids are delivered and deposited in the bid box at the College before or on the closing date and time to the correct physical address. If the bid is late, it will not be accepted for consideration.
- The Bid document must include a cover letter clearly stating the name of the firm and the name, address, and telephone number of the Bidder's representative.
- Only email enquiries will be attended to.
- All quoted prices must be in RSA currency and inclusive of VAT.
- All prices and details must be legible / readable to ensure the quote will be considered for adjudication.
- The General Conditions of Contract must be accepted and be initialed per page. The GCC can be downloaded from the Treasury Website. Please refer to the link below:
<http://www.treasury.gov.za/divisions/ocpo/sc/GeneralConditions/General%20Conditions%20of%20Contract.pdf>
- All SBD Forms must be fully completed and signed.
- Any orders placed within the contract period, will be paid according to the price applicable at the date of order.
- In the event of a mistake having been made on the pricing, it shall be crossed out with ink and accompanied by signature.
- All prices quoted must be inclusive of VAT, be fixed, firm and include delivery charges and goods must be delivered to the address indicated above.
- This bid will be evaluated using functionality and the 80/20 preference point system as stipulated in the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act (Act Number 5 of 2000), as amended. 80% will be awarded for Price and 20% will be awarded for BBBEE status contributor level.
- A bid will be disqualified should any attempt be made by the bidder either directly or indirectly to canvass the Central Johannesburg TVET College, or any of its officers or employees in respect of a bid between the date of the bid and the date of the award.
- The Central Johannesburg TVET College's reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and /or negotiate portions thereof.
- The lowest or any bid will not necessarily be accepted, nor will any reason be given or assigned for the rejection of the bid.
- Each bid document supplied is for the Bidder only and may not be copied and submitted by another service provider.
- The Bidder shall furnish any additional information that the College may reasonably require.
- The College will not be liable for any costs incurred in the preparation of bids.
- The College may ask bidders to send a representative for a Presentation prior to the approval of a bid. The College will not be liable for the costs incurred by the bidder in connection with such interview.
- The College reserves the right to visit the premises of the bidder if deemed necessary.
- Any false declaration of information will result in the exclusion of the bid from consideration.



12. ENQUIRIES

The bid document will be uploaded onto the College website. For all Procurement, Bid and Technical related enquiries, prospective bidders may send emails to tenders@cjc.edu.za

Should you need to know more about the College, please visit our website at www.cjc.edu.za.

To ensure a transparent process, only written enquiries will be attended to.

SBD 3 PRICING SCHEDULE – FIRM PRICES (PURCHASES)

NOTE: ONLY FIRM AND FIXED PRICES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

NON-FIRM PRICES (INCLUDING PRICES SUBJECT TO RATES OF EXCHANGE VARIATIONS) WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED. IN CASES WHERE DIFFERENT DELIVERY POINTS INFLUENCE THE PRICING, A SEPARATE PRICING SCHEDULE MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH DELIVERY POINT.

CJC IS NOT OBLIGED TO CONSIDER THE LOWEST PRICE TENDERED, HOWEVER ALL PRICES WILL BE TESTED WITHIN THE ECONOMIC THRESHOLD OF $-/+10\%$ OF THE MARKET RELATED PRICE COMPETITIVENESS.

Name of bidder:	Bid number: CJC/DBTCOLL/001/2022
Closing Time: 10:00 AM	Closing Date: 14 February 2022

OFFER TO BE VALID FOR 90 DAYS FROM THE CLOSING DATE OF BID.
PRICING SCHEDULE

NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE (excl. VAT) ZAR
1		
2		
3		
SUB TOTAL		
TOTAL (TABLE A + B + C) EXCLUDING VAT:		
VAT:		
TOTAL FOR YEAR 1:		
TOTAL FOR YEAR 2:		
TOTAL FOR YEAR 3:		
TOTAL FOR YEAR THE CONTRACT PERIOD (3 YEARS):		

PRICES MUST BE FIRM AND FIXED FOR THE DURATION OF THE CONTRACT, NO OTHER FEES OTHER THAN THOSE THAT ARE DECLARED ABOVE WILL BE CONSIDERED.

NB: PRICE ESCALATIONS SHOULD BE IN LINE WITH CPI

TENDER PRICE SHOULD BE INCLUSIVE OF:

- Delivery Costs (Transport)
- Breakages
- Offloading and handling costs

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME) CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS FORM IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY ACT AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

SBD 4

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME)

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CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS FORM IS CORRECT.

I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY ACT AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

1. Any legal person, including persons employed by the state¹, or persons having a kinship with Persons employed by the state, including a blood relationship, may make an offer or offers in terms of this invitation to bid (includes a price quotation, advertised competitive bid, limited bid or proposal). In view of possible allegations of favoritism, should the resulting bid, or part thereof, be awarded to persons employed by the state, or to persons connected with or related to them, it is required that the bidder or his/her authorized representative declare his/her position in relation to the evaluating/adjudging authority where-

- the bidder is employed by the state; and/or
- the legal person on whose behalf the bidding document is signed, has a relationship with persons/a person who are/is involved in the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid(s), or where it is known that such a relationship exists between the person or persons for or on whose behalf the declarant acts and persons who are involved with the evaluation and or adjudication of the bid.

2. In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

2.1 Full Name of bidder or his or her representative: _____

2.2 Identity Number: _____

2.3 Position occupied in the Company (director, trustee, shareholder): _____

2.4 Company Registration Number: _____

2.5 Tax Reference Number: _____

2.6 VAT Registration Number: _____

2.6.1 The names of all directors / trustees / shareholders / members, their individual identity numbers, tax reference numbers and, if applicable, employee / persal numbers must be indicated in paragraph 3 below.

¹ “State” means –

- (a) any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999);
- (b) any municipality or municipal entity.
- (c) provincial legislature.
- (d) national Assembly or the national Council of provinces; or
- (e) Parliament.

2nd Shareholder” means a person who owns shares in the company and is actively involved in the management of the enterprise or business and exercises control over the enterprise.

2.7 Are you or any person connected with the bidder presently employed by the state?
YES/NO If so, furnish the following particulars:

2.7.1 Name of person / director / trustee / shareholder/
member: _____

2.7.2 Name of state institution at which you or the person connected to the bidder is
employed: _____

2.7.3 Position occupied in the state institution: _____

Any other particulars:

2.7.4 If you are presently employed by the state, did you obtain the appropriate
authority to undertake remunerative work outside employment in the public
sector? YES / NO

If yes, did you attach proof of such authority to the bid document? YES / NO

(Note: Failure to submit proof of such authority, where applicable, may result in the disqualification of the bid).

2.7.4.1 If no, furnish reasons for non-submission of such proof:

2.8 Did you or your spouse, or any of the company's directors / trustees / shareholders /
members or their spouses conduct business with the state in the previous twelve
months?
YES / NO

2.8.1 If so, furnish particulars:

2.9 Do you, or any person connected with the bidder, have any relationship (family, friend,
other) with a person employed by the state and who may be involved with the evaluation
and or adjudication of this bid? YES / NO

2.9.1 If so, furnish.

2.10 Are you, or any person connected with the bidder, aware of any relationship (family,
friend,
other) between any other bidder and any person employed by the state who may be
involved

with the evaluation and or adjudication of this bid? YES / NO

2.10.1 If so, furnish.

2.11 Do you or any of the directors / trustees / shareholders / members of the company have any interest in any other related companies whether they are bidding for this contract? YES/NO

2.11.1 If so, furnish particulars:

I details of directors / trustees / members / shareholders.

Full Name	Identity Number	Personal Reference Number	Tax	State	Employee
				Number/Persal Number	Number

4 DECLARATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (NAME): _____
 CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED IN PARAGRAPHS 2 and 3 ABOVE IS CORRECT. I ACCEPT THAT THE STATE MAY REJECT THE BID OR ACT AGAINST ME IN TERMS OF PARAGRAPH 23 OF THE GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

Signature

Date

Position

Name of bidder

SBD 5

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 bid is estimated to not exceed R50 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) and therefore the **80/20** preference point system shall be applicable; or
- b) **80/20** preference point system will be applicable to this bid (delete whichever is not applicable for this bid).

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 with regards to preferences, in any manner required by the purchaser.

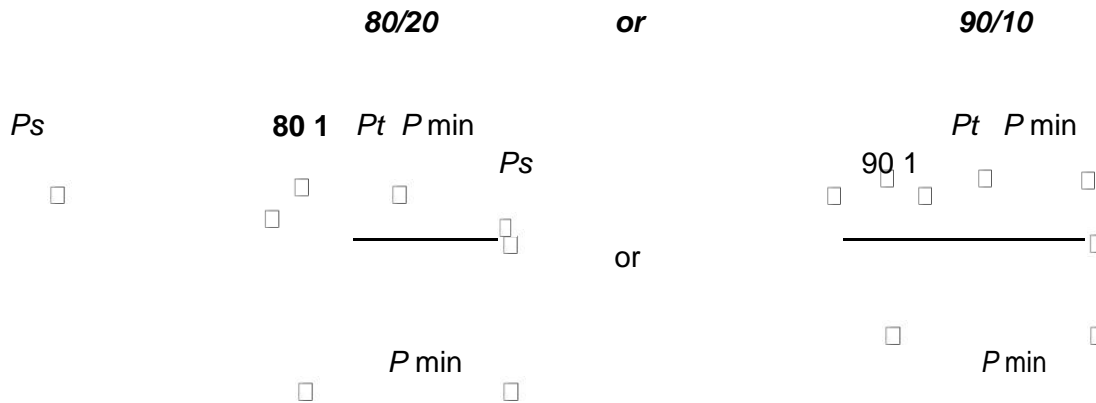
2. DEFINITIONS

- (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);
- (e) "functionality" means the ability of a bidder to provide goods or services in accordance with specifications as set out in the bid 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;
- (i) "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;
- (j) "rand value" means the total estimated value of a contract in Rand, calculated at the time of the bid invitation, and includes all applicable taxes;

3. POINTS AWARDED FOR PRICE

3.1 THE 80/20 OR 90/10 PREFERENCE POINT SYSTEMS

A maximum of 80 or 90 points is allocated for price on the following basis:



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 (90/10 system)	Number of points (80/20 system)
1	10	20
2	9	18
3	6	14
4	5	12
5	4	8
6	3	6
7	2	4
8	1	2
Non-compliant contributor	0	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 10 or 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 least 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
(Pty) Limited
[TICK APPLICABLE BOX]

8.5 DESCRIBE PRINCIPAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES

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 authorized to do so on behalf of the company/firm, certify that the points claimed, based on the B-BBE status level of contributor indicated in paragraphs 1.4 and 6.1 of the foregoing certificates 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;

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;
 - (b) recover costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;
 - (c) cancel the contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favorable arrangements due to such cancellation;
 - (d) 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
 - (e) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.
- (a) forward the matter for criminal prosecution.

WITNESSES	
1.
2.

.....	
SIGNATURE(S) OF BIDDERS(S)	
DATE:
ADDRESS

SBD 6. DECLARATION OF BIDDER'S PAST SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

- 1 This Standard Bidding Document must form part of all bids invited.
- 2 It serves as a declaration to be used by institutions in ensuring that when goods and services are being procured, all reasonable steps are taken to combat the abuse of the supply chain management system.
- 3 The bid of any bidder may be disregarded if that bidder, or any of its directors have-
 - a. abused the institution's supply chain management system;
 - b. committed fraud or any other improper conduct in relation to such system; or
 - c. failed to perform on any previous contract.
- 4 In order to give effect to the above, the following questionnaire must be completed and submitted with the bid.

Item	Question	Yes	No
4.1	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the National Treasury's Database of Restricted Suppliers as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector? (Companies or persons who are listed on this Database were informed in writing of this restriction by the Accounting Officer/Authority of the institution that imposed the restriction after the <i>audi alteram partem</i> rule was applied). The Database of Restricted Suppliers now resides on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) and can be accessed by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.	Yes	No
4.1.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.2	Is the bidder or any of its directors listed on the Register for Bid Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No 12 of 2004)? The Register for Bid Defaulters can be accessed on the National Treasury's website (www.treasury.gov.za) by clicking on its link at the bottom of the home page.	Yes	No
4.2.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.3	Was the bidder or any of its directors convicted by a court of law (including a court outside of the Republic of South Africa) for fraud or corruption during the past five years?	Yes	No
3.1	If so, furnish particulars:		
4.4	Was any contract between the bidder and any organ of state terminated during the past five years on account of failure to perform on or comply with the contract? <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
4.4.1	If so, furnish particulars:		

CERTIFICATION

I, THE UNDERSIGNED (FULL NAME)

CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION FURNISHED ON THIS DECLARATION FORM IS TRUE AND CORRECT. I ACCEPT THAT, IN ADDITION TO CANCELLATION OF A CONTRACT, ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST ME SHOULD THIS DECLARATION PROVE TO BE FALSE.

Signature

Date

Position

Name of Bidder

SBD 7. CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT BID DETERMINATION

I, the undersigned, in submitting the accompanying bid: _____

(Bid Number and Description): _____

in response to the invitation for the bid made by (Name of Institution) _____

do hereby make the following statements that I certify to be true and complete in every respect:

I certify, on behalf of (Name of Bidder): _____

that:

1. I have read and I understand the contents of this Certificate;
2. I understand that the accompanying bid will be disqualified if this Certificate is found not to be true and complete in every respect;
3. I am authorized by the bidder to sign this Certificate, and to submit the accompanying bid, on behalf of the bidder;
4. Each person whose signature appears on the accompanying bid has been authorized by the bidder to determine the terms of, and to sign the bid, on behalf of the bidder;
5. For the purposes of this Certificate and the accompanying bid, I understand that the word "competitor" shall include any individual or organization, other than the bidder, whether affiliated with the bidder, who:
 - (a) has been requested to submit a bid in response to this bid invitation;
 - (b) could potentially submit a bid in response to this bid invitation, based on their qualifications, abilities or experience; and
 - (c) provides the same goods and services as the bidder and/or is in the same line of business as the bidder
6. 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 consortium³ will not be construed as collusive bidding.
7. In particular, without limiting the generality of paragraphs 6 above, there has been no consultation, communication, agreement or arrangement with any competitor regarding:
 - (a) prices;
 - (b) geographical area where product or service will be rendered (market allocation)
 - (c) methods, factors or formulas used to calculate prices;
 - (d) the intention or decision to submit or not to submit, a bid;

- (e) the submission of a bid which does not meet the specifications and conditions of the bid; or
- (f) bidding with the intention not to win the bid.
8. In addition, there have been no consultations, communications, agreements or arrangements with any competitor regarding the quality, quantity, specifications and conditions or delivery particulars of the products or services to which this bid invitation relates.
9. 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 ***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.***
10. 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 Central Johannesburg TVET College 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.

Signature

Date

Name of Bidder

Date

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT GENERAL CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT

Notes	<p>The purpose of this document is to draw special attention to certain general conditions applicable to government bids, contracts and orders; and to ensure that clients be familiar regarding the rights and obligations of all parties involved in doing business with government.</p> <p>In this document words in the singular also mean in the plural and vice versa and words in the masculine also mean in the feminine and neuter. The General Conditions of Contract will form part of all bid documents and may not be amended. Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) relevant to a specific bid, should be compiled separately for every bid (if applicable) and will supplement the General Conditions of Contract. Whenever there is a conflict, the provisions in the SCC shall prevail.</p>
General Conditions of Contract Definitions	<p>The following terms shall be interpreted as indicated:</p> <p>1.1 “Closing time” means the date and hour specified in the bidding documents for the receipt of bids.</p> <p>1.2 “Contract” means the written agreement entered into between the purchaser and the supplier, as recorded in the contract form signed by the parties, including all attachments and appendices thereto and all documents incorporated by reference therein.</p> <p>1.3 “Contract price” means the price payable to the supplier under the contract for the full and proper performance of his contractual obligations.</p> <p>1.4 “Corrupt practice” means the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution.</p> <p>1.5 “Countervailing duties” are imposed in cases where an enterprise abroad is subsidized by its government and encouraged to market its products internationally.</p> <p>1.6 “Country of origin” means the place where the goods were mined, grown or produced or from which the services are supplied. Goods are produced when, through manufacturing, processing or substantial and major assembly of components, a commercially recognized new product results that is substantially different in basic characteristics or in purpose or utility from its components.</p> <p>1.7 “Day” means calendar day.</p> <p>1.8 “Delivery” means delivery in compliance of the conditions of the contract or order.</p> <p>1.9 “Delivery ex stock” means immediate delivery directly from stock actually on hand.</p> <p>1.10 “Delivery into consignees store or to his site” means delivered and unloaded in the specified store or depot or on the specified site in compliance with the Conditions of the contract or order, the supplier bearing all risks and charges involved until the supplies are so delivered and a valid receipt is obtained.</p> <p>1.11 “Dumping” occurs when a private enterprise abroad market its goods on own initiative in the RSA at lower prices than that of the country of origin and which have the potential to harm the local industries in the RSA.</p> <p>1.12 “Force majeure” means an event beyond the control of the supplier and not involving the supplier’s fault or negligence and not foreseeable. Such events may include, but is not restricted to, acts of the purchaser in its sovereign capacity, wars or revolutions, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions and freight embargoes.</p> <p>1.13 “Fraudulent practice” means a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of any bidder, and includes collusive practice among bidders (prior to or after bid</p>

	<p>submission) designed to establish bid prices at artificial non-competitive levels and to deprive the bidder of the benefits of free and open competition.</p> <p>1.14 “GCC” means the General Conditions of Contract.</p> <p>1.15 “Goods” means all the equipment, machinery, and/or other materials that the supplier is required to supply to the purchaser under the contract.</p> <p>1.16 “Imported content” means that portion of the bidding price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or his subcontractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African place of entry as well as transportation and handling charges to the factory in the Republic where the supplies covered by the bid will be manufactured.</p> <p>1.17 “Local content” means that portion of the bidding price which is not included in the imported content provided that local manufacture does take place.</p> <p>1.18 “Manufacture” means the production of products in a factory using labour, materials, components and machinery and includes other related value-adding activities.</p> <p>1.19 “Order” means an official written order issued for the supply of goods or works or the rendering of a service.</p> <p>1.20 “Project site,” where applicable, means the place indicated in bidding documents.</p> <p>1.21 “Purchaser” means the organization purchasing the goods.</p> <p>1.22 “Republic” means the Republic of South Africa.</p> <p>1.23 “SCC” means the Special Conditions of Contract.</p> <p>1.24 “Services” means that functional services ancillary to the supply of the goods, such as transportation and any other incidental services, such as installation, commissioning, provision of technical assistance, training, catering, gardening, security, maintenance and other such obligations of the supplier covered under the contract.</p> <p>1.25 “Written” or “in writing” means handwritten in ink or any form of electronic or mechanical writing.</p>
Application	<p>These general conditions are applicable to all bids, contracts and orders including bids for functional and professional services, sales, hiring, letting and the granting or acquiring of rights, but excluding immovable property, unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents. Where applicable, special conditions of contract are also laid down to cover specific supplies, services or works. Where such special conditions of contract are in conflict with these general conditions, the special conditions shall apply.</p>
General	<p>Unless otherwise indicated in the bidding documents, the purchaser shall not be liable for any expense incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid. Where applicable a non-refundable fee for documents may be charged. With certain exceptions, invitations to bid are only published in the Government Bid Bulletin. The Government Bid Bulletin may be obtained directly from the Government Printer, Private Bag X85, Pretoria 0001, or accessed electronically from www.treasury.gov.za.</p>
Standards	<p>The goods supplied shall conform to the standards mentioned in the bidding documents and specifications.</p>
Use of contract Documents and information;	<p>The supplier shall not, without the purchaser’s prior written consent, disclose the contract, or any provision thereof, or any specification, plan, drawing, pattern, sample, or information furnished by or on behalf of the purchaser in connection therewith, to any person other than a person employed by the supplier in the performance of the contract. Disclosure to any such employed person shall be</p>

Inspection	made in confidence and shall extend only as far as may be necessary for purposes of such performance. The supplier shall not, without the purchaser's prior written consent, make use of any document or information mentioned in GCC clause except for purposes of performing the contract. Any document, other than the contract itself mentioned in GCC clause shall remain the property of the purchaser and shall be returned (all copies) to the purchaser on completion of the supplier's performance under the contract if so required by the purchaser. The supplier shall permit the purchaser to inspect the supplier's records relating to the performance of the supplier and to have them audited by auditors appointed by the purchaser, if so required by the purchaser.
Patent rights	The supplier shall indemnify the purchaser against all third-party claims of infringement of patent, trademark, or industrial design rights arising from use of the goods or any part thereof by the purchaser.
Performance Security	Following the date of completion of the supplier's performance obligations under the contract, including any warranty obligations, unless otherwise specified in SCC.
Inspections, tests and analyses	<p>All pre-bidding testing will be for the account of the bidder. If it is a bid condition that supplies to be produced or services to be rendered should at any stage during production or execution or on completion be subject to inspection, the premises of the bidder or contractor shall be open, at all reasonable hours, for inspection by a representative of the Department or an organization acting on behalf of the Department. If there are no inspection requirements indicated in the bidding documents and no mention is made in the contract, but during the contract period it is decided that inspections shall be carried out, the purchaser shall itself make the necessary arrangements, including payment arrangements with the testing authority concerned. If the inspections, tests and analyses show the supplies to be in accordance with the contract requirements, the cost of the inspections, tests and analyses shall be defrayed by the purchaser. Where the supplies or services comply with the contract requirements, irrespective of whether such supplies or services are accepted or not, the cost in connection with these inspections, tests or analyses shall be defrayed by the supplier.</p> <p>Supplies and services which do not comply with the contract requirements may be rejected. Any contract supplies may on or after delivery be inspected, tested or analyzed and may be rejected if found not to comply with the requirements of the contract. Such rejected supplies shall be held at the cost and risk of the supplier who shall, when called upon, remove them immediately at his own cost and forthwith substitute them with supplies which do comply with the requirements of the contract. Failing such removal, the rejected supplies shall be returned at the suppliers cost and risk. Should the supplier fail to provide the substitute supplies forthwith, the purchaser may, without giving the supplier further opportunity to substitute the rejected supplies, purchase such supplies as may be necessary at the expense of the supplier. The provisions shall not prejudice the right of the purchaser to cancel the contract on account of a breach of the conditions thereof, or to act in terms of clauses of GCC.</p>
Packing	The supplier shall provide such packing of the goods as is required to prevent their damage or deterioration during transit to their final destination, as indicated in the contract. The packing shall be sufficient to withstand, without limitation, rough handling during transit and exposure to extreme temperatures, salt and precipitation during transit, and open storage. Packing, case size and weights shall take into consideration, where appropriate, the remoteness of the goods' final destination and the absence of heavy handling facilities at all points in transit. The packing, marking, and documentation within and outside the packages shall comply strictly with such special requirements as shall be expressly provided for in the contract, including additional requirements, if any, specified in SCC, and in any subsequent instructions ordered by the purchaser.

Delivery and Documents	Delivery of the goods shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the terms specified in the contract. The details of shipping and/or other documents to be furnished by the supplier are specified in SCC. Documents to be submitted by the suppliers are specified in SCC.
Insurance	The goods supplied under the contract shall be fully insured in a freely convertible currency.
Transportation	Should a price other than an all-inclusive delivered price be required, this shall be specified in.
Incidental Services	The supplier may be required to provide any or all of the services, including additional services, if any, specified in SCC, including a) performance or supervision of on-site assembly and/or commissioning of the supplied goods; (b) furnishing of tools required for assembly and/or maintenance of the supplied goods; (c) furnishing of a detailed operations and maintenance manual for each appropriate unit of the supplied goods; (d) performance or supervision or maintenance and/or repair of the supplied goods, for a period of time agreed by the parties, provided that this service shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under this contract; and (e) training of the purchaser's personnel, at the supplier's plant and/or on-site, in assembly, start-up, operation, maintenance, and/or repair of the supplied goods. Prices charged by the supplier for incidental services, if not included in the contract price for the goods, shall be agreed upon in advance by the parties and shall not exceed the prevailing rates charged to other parties by the supplier for similar services.
Spare parts	As specified in SCC, the supplier may be required to provide any or all of the following materials, notifications, and information pertaining to spare parts manufactured or distributed by the supplier: (a) such spare parts as the purchaser may elect to purchase from the supplier, provided that this election shall not relieve the supplier of any warranty obligations under the contract; and (b) in the event of termination of production of the spare parts: (i) Advance notification to the purchaser of the pending termination, in sufficient time to permit the purchaser to procure needed requirements; and (ii) following such termination, furnishing at no cost to the purchaser, the blueprints, drawings, and specifications of the spare parts, if requested
Warranty	The supplier warrants that the goods supplied under the contract are new, unused, of the most recent or current models, and that they incorporate all recent improvements in design and materials unless provided otherwise in the contract. The supplier further warrants that all goods supplied under this contract shall have no defect, arising from design, materials, or workmanship (except when the design and/or material is required by the purchaser's specifications) or from any act or omission of the supplier, that may develop under normal use of the supplied goods in the conditions prevailing in the country of final destination. This warranty shall remain valid for twelve (12) months after the goods, or any portion thereof as the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment from the port or place of loading in the source country, whichever period concludes earlier, unless specified otherwise in SCC. The purchaser shall promptly notify the supplier in writing of any claims arising under this warranty. Upon receipt of such notice, the supplier shall, within the period specified in SCC and with all reasonable speed, repair or replace the defective goods or parts thereof, without costs to the purchaser. If the supplier, having been notified, fails to remedy the defect(s) within the period specified in SCC, the purchaser may proceed to take such remedial action as may be necessary, at the supplier's risk and expense and without prejudice to any other rights which the purchaser may have against the supplier under the contract. the case may be, have been delivered to and accepted at the final destination indicated in the contract, or for eighteen (18) months after the date of shipment

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Payment	<p>The method and conditions of payment to be made to the supplier under this contract shall be specified in SCC. The supplier shall furnish the purchaser with an invoice accompanied by a copy of the delivery note and upon fulfillment of other obligations stipulated in the contract.</p> <p>Payments shall be made promptly by the purchaser, but in no case later than thirty (30) days after submission of an invoice or claim by the supplier. Payment will be made in Rand unless otherwise stipulated in SCC.</p>
Prices	<p>Prices charged by the supplier for goods delivered and services performed under the contract shall not vary from the prices quoted by the supplier in his bid, with the exception of any price adjustments authorized in SCC or in the purchaser's request for bid validity extension, as the case may be.</p>
Contract Amendments	<p>No variation in or modification of the terms of the contract shall be made except by written amendment signed by the parties concerned.</p>
Assignment	<p>The supplier shall not assign, in whole or in part, its obligations to perform under the contract, except with the purchaser's prior written consent.</p>
Subcontracts	<p>The supplier shall notify the purchaser in writing of all subcontracts awarded under this contract if not already specified in the bid. Such notification, in the original bid or later, shall not relieve the supplier from any liability or obligation under the contract.</p>
Delays in the supplier's performance	<p>Delivery of the goods and performance of services shall be made by the supplier in accordance with the time schedule prescribed by the purchaser in the contract. If at any time during performance of the contract, the supplier or its subcontractor(s) should encounter conditions impeding timely delivery of the goods and performance of services, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of the fact of the delay, its likely duration and its cause(s).</p> <p>As soon as practicable after receipt of the supplier's notice, the purchaser shall evaluate the situation and may at his discretion extend the supplier's time for performance, with or without the imposition of penalties, in which case the extension shall be ratified by the parties by amendment of contract. No provision in a contract shall be deemed to prohibit the obtaining of supplies or services from a national department, provincial department, or a local authority. The right is reserved to procure outside of the contract small quantities or to have minor essential services executed if an emergency arises, the supplier's point of supply is not situated at or near the place where the supplies are required, or the supplier's services are not readily available. Except as provided, a delay by the supplier in the performance of its delivery obligations shall render the supplier liable to the imposition of penalties, unless an extension of time is agreed upon pursuant to GCC without the application of penalties. Upon any delay beyond the delivery period in the case of a supplies contract, the purchaser shall, without canceling the contract, be entitled to purchase supplies of a similar quality and up to the same quantity in substitution of the goods not supplied in conformity with the contract and to return any goods delivered later at the supplier's expense and risk, or to cancel the contract and buy such goods as may be required to complete the contract and without prejudice to his other rights, be entitled to claim damages from the supplier.</p>

<p>Penalties</p>	<p>If the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods or to perform the services within the period(s) specified in the contract, the purchaser shall, without prejudice to its other remedies under the contract, deduct from the contract price, as a penalty, a sum calculated on the delivered price of the delayed goods or unperformed services using the current prime interest rate calculated for each day of the delay until actual delivery or performance. The purchaser may also consider termination of the contract.</p>
<p>Termination Notice for Default</p>	<p>The purchaser, without prejudice to any other remedy for breach of contract, by written notice of default sent to the supplier, may terminate this contract in whole or in part: (a) if the supplier fails to deliver any or all of the goods within the period(s) specified in the contract, or within any extension thereof granted by the purchaser (b) if the Supplier fails to perform any other obligation(s) under the contract; or (c) if the supplier, in the judgment of the purchaser, has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for or in executing the contract. In the event the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as it deems appropriate, goods, works or services similar to those undelivered, and the supplier shall be liable to the purchaser for any excess costs for such similar goods, works or services.</p> <p>However, the supplier shall continue performance of the contract to the extent not terminated. Where the purchaser terminates the contract in whole or in part, the purchaser may decide to impose a restriction penalty on the supplier by prohibiting such supplier from doing business with the public sector for a period not exceeding 10 years. If a purchaser intends imposing a restriction on a supplier or any person associated with the supplier, the supplier will be allowed a time period of not more than fourteen (14) days to provide reasons why the envisaged restriction should not be imposed. Should the supplier fail to respond within the stipulated fourteen (14) days the purchaser may regard the intended penalty as not objected against and may impose it on the supplier. Any restriction imposed on any person by the Accounting Officer / Authority will, at the discretion of the Accounting Officer</p> <p>Authority, also be applicable to any other enterprise or any partner, manager, director or other person who wholly or partly exercises or exercised or may exercise control over the enterprise of the first- mentioned person, and with which enterprise or person the first-mentioned person, is or was in the opinion of the Accounting Officer / Authority actively associated. If a restriction is imposed, the purchaser must, within five (5) working days of such imposition, furnish the National Treasury, with the following information: (i) the name and address of the supplier and</p> <p>or person restricted by the purchaser; (ii) the date of commencement of the restriction (iii) the period of restriction; and (iv) the reasons for the restriction. These details will be loaded in the National Treasury's central database of suppliers or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector. If a court of law convicts a person of an offence as contemplated in sections</p> <p>12 or 13 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act, No. 12 of 2004, the court may also rule that such person's name be endorsed on the Register for Bid Defaulters. When a person's name has been endorsed on the Register, the person will be prohibited from doing</p> <p>business with the public sector for a period not less than five years and not more than 10 years. The National Treasury is empowered to determine the period of restriction and each case will be dealt with on its own merits. According to section 32 of the Act the Register must be open to the public. The Register can be perused on the National Treasury website.</p>

Anti-dumping and countervailing duties and rights	<p>When, after the date of bid, provisional payments are required, or antidumping or countervailing duties are imposed, or the amount of a provisional payment or anti-dumping or countervailing right is increased in respect of any dumped or subsidized import, the State is not liable for any amount so required or imposed, or for the amount of any such increase. When, after the said date, such a provisional payment is no longer required or any such anti-dumping or countervailing right is abolished, or where the amount of such provisional payment or any such right is reduced, any such favorable difference shall on demand be paid forthwith by the contractor to the State or the State may deduct such amounts from moneys (if any) which may otherwise be due to the contractor in regard to supplies or services which he delivered or rendered, or is to deliver or render in terms of the contract or any other contract or any other amount which may be due to him.</p>
Force Majeure	<p>Notwithstanding the provisions of GCC Clauses, the supplier shall not be liable for forfeiture of its performance security, damages, or termination for default if and to the extent that his delay in performance or other failure to perform his obligations under the contract is the result of an event of force majeure. If a force majeure situation arises, the supplier shall promptly notify the purchaser in writing of such condition and the cause thereof. Unless otherwise directed by the purchaser in writing, the supplier shall continue to perform its obligations under the contract as far as is reasonably practical and shall seek all reasonable alternative means for performance not prevented by the force majeure event.</p>
Termination for insolvency	<p>The purchaser may at any time terminate the contract by giving written notice to the supplier if the supplier becomes bankrupt or otherwise insolvent. In this event, termination will be without compensation to the supplier, provided that such termination will not prejudice or affect any right of action or remedy which has accrued or will accrue thereafter to the purchaser.</p>
Settlement of Disputes	<p>If any dispute or difference of any kind whatsoever arises between the purchaser and the supplier in connection with or arising out of the contract, the parties shall make every effort to resolve amicably such dispute or difference by mutual consultation. If, after thirty (30) days, the parties have failed to resolve their dispute or difference by such mutual consultation, then either the purchaser or the supplier may give notice to the other party of his intention to commence with mediation. No mediation in respect of this matter may be commenced unless such notice is given to the other party. Should it not be possible to settle a dispute by means of mediation, it may be settled in a South African court of law. Mediation proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the rules of procedure specified in the SCC. Notwithstanding any reference to mediation and/or court proceedings herein, (a) the parties shall continue to perform their respective obligations under the contract unless they otherwise agree; and (b) the purchaser shall pay the supplier any monies due the supplier.</p>
Limitation of liability	<p>Except in cases of criminal negligence or willful misconduct, and in the case of infringement pursuant to Clause 6; (a) the supplier shall not be liable to the purchaser, whether in contract, tort, or otherwise, for any indirect or consequential loss or damage, loss of use, loss of production, or loss of profits or interest costs, provided that this exclusion shall not apply to any obligation of the supplier to pay penalties and/or damages to the purchaser; and (b) the aggregate liability of the supplier to the purchaser, whether under the contract, in tort or otherwise, shall not exceed the total contract price, provided that this limitation shall not apply to the cost of repairing or replacing defective equipment.</p>
Governing Language	<p>The contract shall be written in English. All correspondence and other documents pertaining to the contract that is exchanged by the parties shall also be written in English.</p>
Applicable law	<p>The contract shall be interpreted in accordance with South African laws, unless otherwise specified in SCC.</p>

Notices	Every written acceptance of a bid shall be posted to the supplier concerned by registered or certified mail and any other notice to him shall be posted by ordinary mail to the address furnished in his bid or to the address notified later by him in writing and such posting shall be deemed to be proper service of such notice 31.2 The time mentioned in the contract documents for performing any act after such aforesaid notice has been given, shall be reckoned from the date of posting of such notice.
Taxes and duties	A foreign supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, stamp duties, license fees, and other such levies imposed outside the purchaser's country. A local supplier shall be entirely responsible for all taxes, duties, license fees, etc., incurred until delivery of the contracted goods to the purchaser. No contract shall be concluded with any bidder whose tax matters are not in order. Prior to the award of a bid the Department must be in possession of a tax clearance certificate, submitted by the bidder. This certificate must be an original issued by the South African Revenue Services.
National Industrial Participation Programme	The NIP Programme administered by the Department of Trade and Industry shall be applicable to all contracts that are subject to the NIP obligation.
Prohibition of Restrictive practices	In terms of section 4 (1) (b) (iii) of the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998, as amended, an agreement between, or concerted practice by, firms, or a decision by an association of firms, is prohibited if it is between parties in a horizontal relationship and if a bidder (s) is / are or a contractor(s) was / were involved in collusive bidding (or bid rigging). If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), based on reasonable grounds or evidence obtained by the purchaser, has / have engaged in the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may refer the matter to the Central Johannesburg TVET College for investigation and possible imposition of administrative penalties as contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998. If a bidder(s) or contractor(s), has / have been found guilty by the Central Johannesburg TVET College of the restrictive practice referred to above, the purchaser may, in addition and without prejudice to any other remedy provided for, invalidate the bid(s) for such item(s) offered, and / or terminate the contract in whole or part, and / or restrict the bidder(s) or contractor(s) from conducting business with the public sector for a period not exceeding ten (10) years and / or claim damages from the bidder(s) or contractor(s) concerned.