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CALL FOR APPLICATION

INTERNET SERVICES SUBSCRIPTION AT UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND ARTS OF BYUMBA (UTAB)

1. Introduction

The University of Technology and Arts of Byumba (UTAB) is inviting qualified and experienced firms to submit applications for internet services subscription at UTAB Main Campus Byumba and at UTAB Kiramuruzi Campus. The successful applicant will sign a year contract with UTAB to provide internet based **on a prepaid and service consumed each month**. This project is part of our commitment to providing quality education facilities to our students and staff.

2. Background

University of Technology and Arts of Byumba (TAB) is a fully accredited community-based university. It started as Institut Polytechnique de Byumba (IPB) and began teaching on 26th January 2006 in Byumba Sector, Gicumbi District, Northern Province, Rwanda. On 20th December 2015, IPB upgraded from the status of institute to that of university under the name of University of Technology and Arts of Byumba (UTAB). Currently, UTAB runs three faculties fully accredited by HEC. These include the Faculty of Social Sciences, Management and Development Studies (SSMDS), the Faculty of **Education**, and the Faculty of Agriculture, Environmental Management and Renewable Energy (FAEMRE). In addition, UTAB has Distance and Open Learning facility (DOLF) located in Gatsibo District, Kiramuruzi Sector. UTAB journey of more than 15 years has been long but very fulfilling. As a university, UTAB is engaged in different activities such as academic, research and community outreach. All of those activities aim

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at raising the quality of education and social transformation. **UTAB has planned to enhance digital service delivery and quality education by increasing communication based on internet connectivity that meet the standards.** This call for application aims to enable UTAB to increase the level of internet connectivity at both campuses which will contribute to quality service delivery in teaching and learning.

2.1. Vision of UTAB

The vision of UTAB is to become a radiating university of academic and professional excellence for sustainable socio-economic development.

2.2. Mission of UTAB

The mission of UTAB is:

- To provide quality higher education and community oriented research;
- To shape a skilled workforce in the domains of technology and arts;
- To promote a culture of excellence and innovation for quality service delivery.

3. Scope of Services

- Provision of high-speed internet connectivity at both UTAB campuses (Byumba and Kiramuruzi).
- **The internet connectivity (Internet- router) may be fixed or mobile.**
- Supply and installation of routers to ensure comprehensive coverage and seamless connectivity throughout the **users**.
- Ensuring reliable and uninterrupted internet service to support the diverse needs of students, faculty, and administrative staff.

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- The monthly services packages are as follows:

SN	CONNECTIVITY TYPES	NUMBER OF LINES	TOTAL LINES
1	Unlimited- 3Mbps	7	7
2	Unlimited-5Mbps	7	7

NB: The number of lines may varies depending on the users' needs.

4. Requirements for Proposal Submission

Interested firms must provide the following information in their proposals:

- Company profile detailing experience in providing internet services to educational institutions or similar organizations.
- Proposed technical solutions including internet speed, network reliability, and coverage plans for both campuses.
- Cost breakdown, including monthly subscription fees for **each internet service** and any one-time setup/installation charges.
- Service level agreements (SLAs), support, and maintenance plans.
- Compliance with local regulations and licensing requirements.

5. Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible for consideration, suppliers must meet the following criteria:

- Certificate of Domestic Company Registration;
- Demonstrated experience in providing internet services to educational institutions or similar organizations
- Tax Clearance Certificate
- RSSB Certificate
- Certificate of VAT
- Cost effectiveness
- Technical expertise in deploying and managing network infrastructure.

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6. Submission of Applications

Completed applications must be sealed in envelopes marked "Application for Supply of Internet Services Subscription" and submitted to UTAB main Campus Receptionist Office. The deadline for submission of applications is Tuesday 23rd January 2024 at 12:00am which is the same date for opening at 12:30. Late applications will not be accepted.

7. Contact Information

For inquiries or clarifications related to this call for applications, please contact:

Mr. TURINIMANA Jean Bosco, Director of ICT, Phone number: 0783718006

8. Disclaimer

The University of Technology and Arts of Byumba (UTAB) reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposal and to cancel the application process without incurring any liability. UTAB will evaluate the proposals based on the criteria outlined in the call for application and will notify the selected firm accordingly.

Thank you for your interest in partnering with UTAB to enhance our internet services infrastructure. We look forward to receiving your proposals.

Done at Byumba, 12th January 2024

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