



Invitation for Bids

(Refer to Corrigendum 2 IFB dated 21 October 2019)

Date:	11 October 2019
Loan No. and Title:	49450-TUV: Increasing Access to Renewable Energy Project
Contract No. and Title:	IAREP-P-01: Battery energy storage systems and solar panels and associated equipment for Funafuti and the outer islands
Deadline for Submission of Bids:	22 November 2019 at 14:00 hours (Fiji local time)

1. The Government of Tuvalu is applying for a grant from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) towards the cost of implementing the **Increasing Access to Renewable Energy Project**. Part of the Grant will be used for payments under the Contract named above. Bidding is open to Bidders from eligible source countries of the ADB.
2. The **Ministry of Finance** (the Purchaser) invites sealed bids from experienced and eligible Bidders for the **supply and installation of solar panels and a 1MW Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) on the main island of Funafuti and solar panels on the outer islands of Nukulaelae, Nukufetau and Nui**. The intention is to have a contract ready for execution on approval of the above-mentioned grant.
3. **International Competitive Bidding (ICB)** will be conducted in accordance with ADB's [Single-Stage: One Envelope](#) bidding procedure and is open to all Bidders from eligible source countries as described in the Bidding Document.
4. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in the bidding:
 - Minimum average annual turnover of US\$ 7.5 million
 - Minimum financial resources of US\$ 1.2 million
 - Participation in at least one (1) contract that has been successfully or substantially completed within the last five (5) years and that are similar to the proposed contract where the value of the Bidder's participation exceeds US\$4.4 million

The qualification criteria are more completely described in the Bidding Document.

5. Bidding documents in English can be downloaded at no charge from:
 - The ADB at <http://www.adb.org/site/business-opportunities/operational-procurement/goods-services>
 - The Pacific Power Association at <http://www.ppa.org.fj/current-tenders>
 - TenderLink at www.tenderlink.com/adcentre

6. A pre-bid meeting will be held at the ADB project office in Funafuti on Tuesday, 5 November 2019 at 10:00 hours (GMT+12). Potential Bidders may join via videoconference through this Skype for Business link <https://meet1.entura.com.au/david.skinner/H980Q4CY>. Alternatively, joinable via the web app at this link: <https://meet1.entura.com.au/david.skinner/H980Q4CY?sl=1>. Or phone: +61 3 8629 0199 with Conference ID: 5991238.

Non-attendance will not be a cause for disqualification. Potential Bidders are advised that there will not be an organized site visit but that they are welcome to visit Tuvalu to familiarize themselves with local conditions; in particular the means of transport to the outer islands.

7. Potential Bidders are advised to register their intention to bid with Mr. Frank Fiapati at ffiapati@gov.tv to Entura: Ms Leesa deGroot at leesa.degroot@entura.com.au and Mr Geoff McDougall at geoff.mcdougall@entura.com.au, to ensure that they receive bid addenda and copies of answers to Bidders' questions.

8. Deliver your bids in hard copy and USB format:

- to the address below:

C/- High Commission of Tuvalu in Suva, Fiji
Attention: Temate Melitiana, High Commissioner
16 Gorrie Street
Suva, Fiji

- **on or before 22 November 2019 at 14:00 hours (Fiji local time)**
- together with a bid security as described in the Bidding Document.

Electronic submission of bid is not permitted.

Bids will be opened immediately after the deadline for bid submission in the presence of Bidders' representatives who choose to attend. Late bids will be rejected.