# Invitation for Bids

**Date:** 12 November 2019  
**Loan No. and Title:** Loan No. 3201-VIE(SF): Second Lower Secondary Education for the Most Disadvantaged Areas Project  
**Contract No. and Title:** ICB/2019/03 – Provision of books facilitating students’ study in the classrooms and encouraging students’ interest in reading  
**Deadline for Submission of Bids:** 24 December 2019, 10:00 AM  
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1. The Socialist Republic of Vietnam has received financing from the Asian Development Bank (ADB) toward the cost of the **Second Lower Secondary Education for the most Disadvantaged Areas Project (LSEMDAP2)**, and it intends to apply part of the proceeds of this financing to payments under the contract named above. Bidding is open to bidders from eligible source countries of ADB.

2. The **Ministry of Education and Training Viet Nam through the Central Project Management Unit, LSEMDAP2** (“the Purchaser”) invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for the supply, delivery and installation of books facilitating students’ study in the classrooms and encouraging students’ interest in reading.

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 countries as described in the Bidding Document.

4. Only eligible Bidders with the following key qualifications should participate in this bidding:
   - Successful completion as main supplier within the last three (3) years, of at least two (02) contracts, each valued at US$580,000 with nature, and complexity similar to information technology applied equipment as described in Section 6 (Schedule of Supply) of the Bidding Documents
   - Minimum average annual turnover of US$1,450,000 calculated as total payments received by the Bidder for contracts completed or under execution over the last three (03) years.

5. For more information and instructions on the bidding documents, bidders may contact:

   **MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING**  
   Central Project Management Unit  
   Second Lower Secondary Education for the most Disadvantaged Areas Project  
   **Attention:** Dr. Dao Ngoc Nam, Central Project Management Unit Director  
   **Address:** 6th Floor, No. 193C3, Ba Trieu street., Hai Ba Trung district., Hanoi, Vietnam.
6. To purchase the bidding documents in English, eligible bidders are required to:
   • Through the address mentioned above, request for the bidding documents of
     package ICB/2019/03-Provision of books facilitating students’ study in the
     classrooms and encouraging students’ interest in reading.
   • Pay a non-refundable fee of US$150. Payment method can be cash or bank
     transfer according to the following information:

     Bank Name/Branch: Vietnam Joint Stock Commercial Bank for Industry and
     Trade, Ba Dinh Branch
     Address: 34 Cua Nam street, Hoan Kiem district, Hanoi
     Account name: Second Lower Secondary Education for the Most
     Disadvantaged Areas Project
     Account No.: 126 0000 16928 (USD)
                  127 0000 16915 (VND)
     SWIFT Code: ICBVVNVX 124

     Correspondent bank: JPMORGANCHASE BANK
     Address: NEW YORK - US
     SWIFT Code: CHASUS 33

   Bidding documents will be sent to the bidders through the delivery unit if the recipient is
   overseas and delivered directly or by post if the recipient is in the country. The bid solicitor
   will not be responsible if the bidding documents are lost or delivered late.

7. Submission of bid:
   • To the address mentioned above
   • On or before the deadline: 24 December 2019 (10:00AM)
   • Together with a Bid Security in the amount as specified in the Bidding
     Documents

   The bids will be opened immediately after the deadline of submission in the presence of
   the bidder’s representative who choose to attend.

8. The Purchaser will not be responsible for any cost or incurred expense in relation to the
   preparation or delivery of Bidding Documents.

9. When comparing bids, ADB’s domestic priority scheme will be applied in accordance
   with the provisions stipulated in the Bidding Documents.