Template: RFT Response Form

Suggested instructions for Respondents (amend this to suit)

- Please use this Response Form in responding to our RFT. It is important that you do not change the structure (section headings and sequence). Changing this structure will make it harder for the evaluators to find relevant information quickly.
- Before starting to complete this form please make sure that you have read the Request for Tender (RFT) in full and understand our Requirements (RFT Section 2), our Evaluation Approach (RFT Section 3) and the RFT Process, Terms and Conditions (shortened to RFT-Terms detailed in Section 6). If anything is unclear or you have any questions please get in touch with our Point of Contact (RFT Section 1 paragraph 1.3) before the Deadline for Questions (RFT Section 1 paragraph 1.2).
- We have included supplier tip boxes to help you understand what is required. The areas highlighted in yellow indicate where you are to write your response.
- Remember to delete the supplier tip boxes and remove the highlight from your answers before sending us your response they are for your use only!



To remove highlight from text: select the text you want to remove the highlight from. In the 'Home' tab in the 'Font' group select the arrow at the right of the 'Text highlight colour' and select 'no colour'.

Check list for Respondents

Tas	sk	✓
1.	Complete all sections of the Response Form.	
2. 3.	Delete all 'supplier tip' boxes from the Response Form. Remove all yellow highlight from the Response Form.	
4.	Make sure that you have complied with the following instructions: mailbox size: ensure that your email attachment/s is no greater than 10MB.	
5.	Arrange for the declaration to be signed.	
6.	Include copy of public liability insurance.	
7.	Prepare your Tender for electronic submission by creating a final soft copy file.	
8.	Arrange for the Tender to be delivered by email before the Deadline for Tenders.	

[insert your organisation name and logo or branding]

Response Form

In response to Request for Tender

by: Airports Fiji Pte Limited trading as Fiji Airports

for: Optical Fibre (OF) Network Communication System for Nadi & Nausori

Date of this Tender: [insert date of this document]



Words and phrases that have a special meaning are shown by the use of capitals e.g. Respondent, which means 'a person, organisation, business or other entity that submits a Tender in response to the RFT. The term Respondent includes its officers, employees, contractors, consultants, agents and representatives. The term Respondent differs from a supplier, which is any other business in the market place that does not submit a Tender.' Definitions are at the end of RFT Section 6.

1. About the Respondent



- The section gives the Buyer basic information about your organisation and identifies your Point of Contact for the duration of the RFT process.
- If an item is not applicable e.g. you do not have a registered office, complete the box by stating 'not applicable'.
- If you are submitting a joint or consortium Tender complete an 'Our profile' table for each Respondent. Cut and paste the table as appropriate. Provide only one Point of Contact for your joint/consortium Tender.

Our profile

Choose one of these statements to complete, and delete the others

This is a Tender by [insert the name of your organisation] alone to supply the Requirements.

OR This is a [joint/consortium] Tender by [insert the name of your organisation] and [insert the name of the other organisation/s] (together the Respondents) to supply the Requirements.

Item	Detail
Trading name:	[insert the name that you do business under]
Full legal name (if different):	[if applicable]
Fiji Registered Business:	(Yes or No)
Physical address:	[if more than one office – put the address of your head office]
Postal address:	[e.g. P.O Box address]
Registered office:	[if you have a registered office insert the address here]
Business website:	[url address]
Type of entity (legal status):	[sole trader / partnership / limited liability company or other entity / other please specify]
Registration number:	[if your organisation has a registration number insert it here e.g. company registration number]
Country of residence:	[insert country where you (if you are a sole trader) or your organisation is resident for tax purposes]
TIN registration number:	[Tax Identification Number / if overseas please state]

Our Point of Contact

Item	Detail
Contact person:	[name of the person responsible for communicating with the Buyer]
Position:	[job title or position]

Phone number:	[landline]
Mobile number:	[mobile]
Email address:	[work email]

2. Pre-condition

Agree to adhere to the Fiji Airports Ethical Procurement Statement (Appendix A of the RFT)	Yes/No
For those firm's registered in Fiji – Have current FRCS and FNPF compliance certificates	<mark>Yes/No</mark>
To hold a minimum \$10 million dollars FJD in Public Liability Insurance. Attach copy of insurance.	Yes/No
To hold a minimum \$10 million dollars FJD in Professional Indemnity Insurance. Attach copy of insurance.	Yes/No

3. Response to the Requirements



- In this section you are asked to provide your response to our Requirements (RFT Section 2) by demonstrating your organisation's ability to meet our criteria (RFT Section 3: Our Evaluation Approach). Carefully read RFT Sections 2 and 3 before completing this part.
- If there is anything that you do not understand ask our Point of Contact to clarify.
- If any information you provide is commercially sensitive to your organisation you
 must let the Buyer know. Please mark the information 'commercially sensitive' or
 'Confidential Information'. It is not acceptable to render this whole document
 confidential unless this is truly the case. The Buyer has a duty to protect
 Confidential Information subject to the exceptions in the RFT-Terms (Section 6).
- If some of an answer is in another document e.g. a marketing brochure, copy and
 paste the relevant extract into the Tender. Do not submit the whole brochure.
 Please do not include any advertising brochures or similar material in your
 Tender.
- You may include information not specifically requested by us in your Tender. But only if it adds value and is relevant to the Requirements.

3.1 Overview of our solution

Your Proposal shall contain a description of the technical approach proposed for the execution of the Works, and, in particular, proposed products, procedures and methodologies for the design and construction of the works.

The following is a list of the minimum documentation that must be provided with the bid.

- A. Fully conforming / complying bid.
- B. Comprehensive details of the fully conforming / complying bid (including specification, system requirement, due dates, etc.).
- C. Equipment, cable, Test Equipment & Tools Technical manual/specs.
- D. Third Party product including all product specs and third party warranties.
- G. Spare parts inventory and details.
- I. Sub- vendor details of all main equipment.
- J. Reference letters from user/customer of 3 similar size, scope and configuration type installation which have been deployed and in use for ideally greater than 3 years.
- K. Photograph of 3 similar size, scope and configuration type installation.
- L. Proposed commercial terms/ Service and Maintenance supply contract.

3.2 Questions relating to the evaluation criteria



tips

- Here you are asked to answer questions relating to the evaluation criteria. Your Tender will be scored against your answers to these criteria. Aim to give answers that are relevant, concise and comprehensive.
- Consider the % weighting for each criterion. The higher the weighting the more important it is. Take the weightings into account in deciding how much detail to
- If you have made any assumption about the Requirements or delivery, clearly state the assumption.
- There may be several questions that relate to one criterion. If these questions are not individually weighted assume that they are of equal importance.

Fit for purpose / proposed solution

Weighting 30%

1a. Explain how your Optical Fibre Communication Network supply and installation proposal meets or exceed our Requirements.

[insert your answer here]

1b. Provide examples of similar installations in tropics which have been in operation for several years and provide referees as applicable.

[insert your answer here]

1c. Does your proposal include power tools, generator, hauling tools etc for installation works. What you would expect to be available on site before you arrive?

[insert your answer here]

1d. Describe all significant risks associated with your solution and how you propose to mitigate them (prevent them from happening) and manage them (in the event that they do happen).

[insert your answer here]

1e. Does your proposal account for use of Fiji Airports ANES team to assist in the installation?

2. Capability of the Respondent to deliver

Weighting 30%

2a Detail your methodology for executing the contract works (if this has not been addressed in your overview under section 3.1).

[insert your answer here]

2b. Detail the program for delivery and advise of any risks to this program. Can you advise the extent of Contractor installation staffing expected and the extent of installation support required from Fiji Airports?

[insert your answer here]

2c. Describe how you plan to undertake defect rectification works after 6 months from project commissioning ?

[insert your answer here]

2d. Describe the track record of the named personnel in delivering similar projects.

[insert your answer here]

3. Broader Outcomes – Community Benefits

Weighting 5%

3a Describe how you will offer training and development opportunities as a part of this contract to Fiji Airports staff.

[insert your answer here]

Assumptions

Please state any assumptions you have made in relation to the Requirements. Where you have made assumptions in relation to the costs and pricing information please state these in the next section.

4. Price



- In the RFT Section 4 we have outlined the pricing information that we are seeking. This should inform you how to present your proposed price. Where we have provided a template you must use this for your pricing information.
- In preparing your pricing information you must consider all risks, contingencies and other circumstances relating to the delivery of our Requirements and include adequate provision for them. You must also document any assumptions that you have made in costing the full delivery of the Requirements.

Price as a weighted criterion -30%

Please submit your financial information and pricing using the following pricing schedule. The Schedule may be used for the purpose of progress claim assessment and as a basis for negotiations for variations under the contract. The Respondent shall be responsible for the completion of all contract activities and this Schedule shall not restrict completion. Line items against which no amounts are stated, whether quantities or rates are given or not, shall be regarded as covered by other line items in this Schedule. This Schedule shall be read in conjunction with all other parts of the contract.

This is a Lump Sum Contract. Rates and prices include for supply, installation, testing, commissioning, training, materials (temporary and permanent), testing, field trials, and all other things necessary to fulfil the Contractors obligations under the Contract. All rates and prices indicated are to be fixed and firm (i.e. no rise and fall) for the duration of the project.

Note that pricing needs to include for any obligations of Respondent associated with withholding tax being applied by the Fiji Revenue and Customs Services given the product supply may include the provision of professional services offshore from Fiji. The withholding tax is levied at 15% of the design component and is recoverable by the supplier under the Double Taxation Agreement between Australia and Fiji (ie the withholding tax deduction may be recovered against Australian Taxes).

The extent of the Work will be in accordance with the performance specification requirements, contract terms, Drawings, and the like.

Item	Unit	Sub-total excluding VAT
Separable Portion 1 - Nausori		
Fibre Optic Cable & accessories - Nausori	6,500m *1	
Network Equipment & accessories	Item *2	
a) 8 Port PoE Cisco Switch. 2 x 1G GigE & SFP – IP Base	5	

ltem	Unit	Sub-total excluding VAT
b) 24 Port SFP Cisco Switch with Dual Power Supply – IP Base	2	Ü
c) Fibre Transceiver (SFP) – SM - LC	15	
d) RJ45 Copper Transceiver (SFP) 10/100/1000mbps	15	
e) LC to LC Patch Lead	15	
Separable Portion 2 - Nadi		
Radio Link & accessories	Item*2	
Fibre Optic Cable & accessories	2,716 m	
Network Equipment & accessories	Item	
a) 8 Port PoE Cisco Switch. 2 x 1G GigE & 2 x SFP, IP Base	5	
b) 24 Port Cisco Switch with Dual Power Supply – IP Base	2	
c) Fibre Transceiver (SFP) – SM - LC	10	
d) RJ45 Copper Transceiver (SFP) 10/100/1000mbps	10	
e) LC to LC Patch Lead	10	
Fibre Test Equipment & Tools	Item *2	
Installation Materials	Item *2	
Project Management	Item *2	
Training	Item *2	
Spare parts	Item *2	
3 year Warranty	Item	
Margin and Overheads	Item	
Total Optical Fibre Communication Network VEP *1 – approximate cable distance and to be verified		

^{*1 –} approximate cable distance and to be verified during the site visit.
*2 – refer to Appendix B on the Technical detail item requirement.

Variation Schedule

Please state any assumptions that you have made in relation to the cost and pricing information.

Item	Unit	Sub-total excluding VAT
Quarantine standby rate for Contractor personnel if staff are required to stay in quarantine*	Day	

^{*}this is the standby rate only and does not include hotel or quarantine charges which will be reimbursed at cost by Fiji Airports.

Assumptions

Please state any assumptions that you have made in relation to the cost and pricing information.

5. Proposed Contract



Supplier tips

- In the RFT Section 5 we have detailed the terms and conditions of our Proposed Contract. We need to know whether or not you are prepared to do business based on the Proposed Contract.
- If you have any points that you wish to make about the Proposed Contract this is where you tell us. Note below any suggestions or changes you wish to propose.
- It is important that, if asked, you are able to explain why your changes are important to you.
- In deciding which Respondent/s to shortlist the Buyer will take into account each Respondent's willingness to meet the Proposed Contract terms and conditions.

Choose one and delete the other:

Having read and understood the Proposed Contract, in the RFT Section 5, I confirm that these terms and conditions are acceptable. If successful, I agree to sign a Contract based on the Proposed Contract, or such amended terms and conditions of Contract as are agreed with the Buyer following negotiations. OR

Having read and understood the Proposed Contract, in the RFT Section 5, I have the following suggestions to make. If successful, I agree to sign a Contract based on the Proposed Contract subject to negotiating the following clauses:

Clause	Concern	Proposed solution
[insert number]	[briefly describe your concern about this clause]	[describe your suggested alternative wording for the clause or your solution]
[insert number]	[briefly describe your concern about this clause]	[describe your suggested alternative wording for the clause or your solution]

6. Referees



- Here you are asked to provide the names and contact details of your referees.
 These must be work related referees i.e. not a friend or family member.
- The best referees are those for whom you have recently delivered similar goods or services.
- Before including their details check with them to make sure that they consent to acting as referee on behalf of your organisation.

Please supply the details of two referees for your organisation. Include a brief description of the goods or services that your organisation provided and when.

<u>Please note</u>: in providing these referees you authorise us to collect any information about your organisation, except commercially sensitive pricing information, from the referees, and use such information in the evaluation of your Tender. You also agree that all information provided by the referee to us will be confidential to us.

First referee		
Name of referee:	[insert name of the referee]	
Name of organisation:	[insert name of their organisation]	
Goods/services provided:	[brief description of the goods/services you provided to this referee]	
Date of provision:	[insert the date when you provided the goods/services]	
Address:	[insert street address]	
Telephone:	[insert mobile or landline]	
Email:	[insert email address]	

Second referee		
Name of referee:	[insert name of the referee]	
Name of organisation:	[insert name of their organisation]	
Goods/services provided:	[brief description of the goods/services you provided to this referee]	
Date of provision:	[insert the date when you provided the goods/services]	
Address:	[insert street address]	
Telephone:	[insert mobile or landline]	
Email:	[insert email address]	

Please contact me before you approach a referee for a reference	Yes/Not required

7. Our declaration



- Here you are asked to answer questions and make a formal declaration.
- Remember to select 'agree' or 'disagree' at the end of each row. If you don't you
 will be deemed to have agreed.
- Remember to get the declaration signed by someone who is authorised to sign and able to verify each of the elements of the declaration e.g. chief executive or a senior manager.
- If you are submitting a joint or consortium Tender each Respondent (supplier involved in the joint or consortium Tender) must complete a separate declaration.

Respondent's declaration		
Topic	Declaration	Respondent's declaration
RFT Process, Terms and Conditions:	I/WE have read and fully understand the RFT, including the RFT Process, Terms and Conditions (shortened to RFT-Terms detailed in Section 6, as amended by Section 1, paragraph 1.6. if applicable). I/we confirm that the Respondent/s agree to be bound by them.	[agree / disagree]
Collection of further information:	 The Respondent/s authorises the Buyer to: a. collect any information about the Respondent, except commercially sensitive pricing information, from any relevant third party, including a referee, or previous or existing client b. use such information in the evaluation of this Tender. The Respondent/s agrees that all such information 	[agree / disagree]
Requirements:	I/we have read and fully understand the nature and extent of the Buyer's Requirements as described in Section 2. I/we confirm that the Respondent/s has/have the necessary capacity and capability to fully meet or exceed the Requirements and will be available to deliver throughout the relevant Contract period.	[agree / disagree]
Ethics:	In submitting this Tender the Respondent/s warrants that it: a. has not entered into any improper, illegal, collusive or anti-competitive arrangements with any Competitor b. has not directly or indirectly approached any representative of the Buyer (other than the Point of Contact) to lobby or solicit information in relation to the RFT c. has not attempted to influence, or provide any form of personal inducement, reward or benefit to any representative of the Buyer.	[agree / disagree]
Offer Validity Period:	I/we confirm that this Tender, including the price, remains open for acceptance for the Offer Validity Period stated in Section 1, paragraph 1.6.	[agree / disagree]
Conflict of Interest declaration:	The Respondent warrants that it has no actual, potential or perceived Conflict of Interest in submitting this Tender, or entering into a Contract to	[agree / disagree]

deliver the Requirements. Where a Conflict of Interest arises during the RFT process the Respondent/s will report it immediately to the Buyer's Point of Contact.

Details of Conflict of Interest: [if you think you may have a Conflict of Interest briefly describe the conflict and how you propose to manage it or write 'not applicable'].

DECLARATION

I/we declare that in submitting the Tender and this declaration:

- a. the information provided is true, accurate and complete and not misleading in any material respect
- b. the Tender does not contain Intellectual Property that will breach a third party's rights
- c. I/we have secured all appropriate authorisations to submit this Tender, to make the statements and to provide the information in the Tender and I/we am/are not aware of any impediments to enter into a formal Contract to deliver the Requirements.

I/we understand that the falsification of information, supplying misleading information or the suppression of material information in this declaration and Tender may result in the Tender being eliminated from further participation in the RFT process and may be grounds for termination of any Contract awarded as a result of the RFT process.

By signing this declaration the signatory below represents, warrants and agrees that he/she has been authorised by the Respondent/s to make this declaration on its/their behalf.

Signature:	
Full name:	
Title / position:	
Name of organisation:	
Date:	