

PUBLIC TENDER NO. 31/16 FOR THE SUPPLY OF IBM DATAPOWER SYSTEMS, MAINTENANCE

SERVICES, AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE – THE

E-GOVERNMENT UNIT AT THE GOVERNMENT ICT AUTHORITY

1. The Prime Minister's Office – the Government ICT Authority (hereinafter: "the Ministry") wishes to receive bids for the supply of IBM DataPower systems as set out in detail in the tender documents in accordance with the requirements of the Ministry (hereinafter: "the System" or "the Systems"), and also professional services for the Systems in accordance with the Ministry's needs, in accordance with the Ministry's requirements as detailed in the tender documents.
2. The tender documents can be downloaded from the Government Procurement Administration's website: www.mr.gov.il/Pages/HomePage.aspx.
3. The tender's engagement period shall be three years in accordance with the agreement that is attached to the tender. The Client reserves the option to extend the engagement with the winning supplier for a period of up to three additional years in accordance with the provisions of the agreement.
4. **A summary of the pre-conditions for participation in the tender (the complete and binding conditions are set out in detail in the tender documents):**
 - 4.1 The bidder is an authorized representative / supplier of IBM DataPower products in Israel and is defined as an IBM partner.
 - 4.2 The bidder has experience in the supply of the services required in this tender totaling at least two years prior to the latest date for submitting the bids.
 - 4.3 The bidder is in possession of all certificates and/or licenses and/or licensing and/or permits and/or authorizations legally required and is registered at a legal registry that is connected to the subject matter of the engagement, and all these are valid in the bidder's name as of the final date for submitting bids, unless otherwise stipulated in this document.
 - 4.4 Without detracting from the generality of the stipulations in Section 4.3, the bidder is in possession of valid certificates in its name pursuant to the Public Bodies Transactions Law, 1976, and complies with the conditions and provisions required pursuant to this law.
 - 4.5 The bidder has been incorporated in Israel and is duly registered in the relevant register in Israel and does not owe any annual fees to the Registrar of Companies.
 - 4.6 The bidder has attached to its bid a bid bond in the sum of NIS 150,000, as set out in detail in the tender documents.
 - 4.7 The bidder, the bidder's general manager and all its stakeholders have not been convicted of a security offense or an offense of a fiscal nature (such as: non-transfer of deductions, failure to report to the tax authorities, failure to provide receipts and the like) including offenses under the Purchase Tax Law 1952, the Income Tax Ordinance, the Customs Ordinance, the Value Added Tax Law 1975, the Currency Control; Law 1978, or offenses under Paragraphs 290 to 297, 383 to 393 and 414 to 438 of the Penal Law 1977, unless the statute of limitations has elapsed under the Criminal Register and Rehabilitation Law, 1981.
5. Questions and requests for clarifications may be sent to the Tenders Committee Coordinator at the email address: Rechesh@gov.il before 26.2.2017 at 13:00.

The Ministry's replies and clarifications shall be published on the website of the Government Procurement Administration at the Ministry of Finance at the address: <http://www.mr.gov.il/Pages/HomePage.aspx>. These replies and clarifications shall form an inseparable part of the tender documents.

The Ministry reserves the right to publish changes and clarifications to the tender documents, even if they do not arise from the clarification questions received from the bidders, up to a reasonable time before the latest date for submitting bids. The Ministry shall publish these changes and clarifications on the website, at the address noted in the previous section, and they shall also form an inseparable part of the tender documents. It is the responsibility of the bidders to examine the Ministry's publications with regard to this tender on the website, as aforesaid.

6. **Submission of bids:** The bids, in the Hebrew language, should be submitted to the tenders box at the Government ICT Authority at the entrance floor of the

E-Government Building, 1 Nathaniel Lorch St., Jerusalem, **no later than Wednesday, March 8, 2017, before 14:00. No bids should be sent by post. Any bid that is not found in the Ministry's tenders box on the latest date for submitting bids for any reason whatsoever shall not be considered at all, shall not participate in the tender, and shall be returned to its sender.**

This tender contains essential information only. In the event of a contradiction or inconsistency between the content of this notice and the provisions of the tender documents – the contents of the tender documents prevail over the provisions of this notice.