

"Nimbus Project"

Central Tender 01-2022 for the Addition of Services to the Government Cloud Marketplace Opening additional categories – An Accompanying Document

1. In January 2020, the Government of Israel launched the “Nimbus Project”, a cross-government project intended to provide a comprehensive framework for the provision of cloud services to the government of Israel. More details about the project are available in the following link: <https://govextra.gov.il/nimbus-mr-gov-il>.
2. On June 16, 2022, the Government Procurement Administration published Central Tender 01-2022 for the addition of services to the Government Cloud Marketplace (hereinafter: the “**Tender**”). The purpose of the Tender is to make cloud services offered by various vendors (ISVs – Independent Software Vendors), available in the marketplaces of the government's selected Cloud Providers, AWS and GCP (hereinafter: the “**Cloud Providers**”), so that the ministries and additional government units will be able to purchase these service through the government digital marketplaces that will be established on the basis of the marketplace of each of the Cloud Providers. This Tender constitutes the 5th tier of the project.
3. In the first round of the tender publication, two categories were opened for the submission of bids (parallel to the same categories in the Cloud Provider’s Marketplace). The said categories were specified in the Tender’s documents.

We are now opening the Tender for further submission, to allow the offering of additional services under the categories that were listed for bids on the Central Tender’s first publication date, as well as for additional categories, and all of the above, as detailed in Section 2.3 of Booklet No. 2 of the Tender's documents: “Chapter 2 - The Bid Booklet” (hereinafter: “**The Tender’s Second Publication**”).

4. All the Tender's documents can be reviewed on the original Tender's Page at the Government Procurement Administration's website, including the Tender Administrator's answers to the clarification questions and comments received, in the following link: <https://mr.gov.il/ilgstorefront/he/p/4000553566>.
5. **The bids to the Tender Second Publication, should be submitted in the Tender Booklet, to be found on the designated page that had been established for this purpose, at the GPA's website, and in the following link: <https://mr.gov.il/ilgstorefront/en/p/4000566361>.**
6. A guide for bids submitting is attached to this document, as **Appendix 1**.
7. In addition to the categories listed in the Tender Booklet, and which have been opened for submission under this publication, the Government Procurement Administration would like to update that it intends to open the Tender for further services later in the year (**a third round**). Within the above mentioned third round, which is scheduled to take place during the third or fourth quarter of 2023, the following categories are planned to be included (in addition to the categories and service areas that had been opened during previous rounds):

7.1. Categories and service areas in AWS Digital Marketplace:

No.	AWS Digital Market Place
1.	Source control
2.	Agile Life-Cycle Management
3.	ML Solutions
4.	Operating Systems
5.	Cloud Firewall

7.2. Categories and service areas in GCP Digital Marketplace:

No.	GCP Digital Market Place
1.	Developer stacks
2.	Developer tools
3.	Machine learning
4.	Operating Systems
5.	Cloud Firewall

8. It should be emphasized that the list of categories scheduled for inclusion in the third tender round, as well as the timetable proposed for opening the tender for further services, **are scheduled on principle only**. In light of the dynamic nature of the field, the above list or the defined timetable should not be regarded as final and are open to modifications, both with respect to the date of the tender publication and to the list of categories.

Respectfully,

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Appendix 1 – Bids submission guide

Opening Additional Categories as part of Central tender 01-2022 for the Addition of Services to the Government Cloud Marketplace

1. Bids for the Tender are to be submitted through an online bidding system, using the following link: <https://ft.govforms.gov.il/mw/forms/Bidding@mof.gov.il>.
2. The System interface is available in the **Hebrew** and **English** Languages. It is possible to choose the language as detailed below:



3. The following are instructions regarding how to submit bids:
 - ❖ The bid booklet (Chapter 2 of the Tender documents) and its appendices will be submitted in accordance with the guidelines detailed in the Tender documents.
 - ❖ Bids must be submitted by the Closing date as stated in the Tender documents. **Bids submitted after the closing date, will not be accepted for evaluation.**
 - ❖ The bidder shall have the sole responsibility to submit the bid before the closing date. The bidder must take into account that near the closing date, there may be an increased traffic volume on the submission system or other technical difficulties that will prevent the bidder from submitting its bid. The bidder must prepare for this, and submit his bid in advance. It is recommended to submit the bids at least 24 hours before the closing date. The bidder will have no claim towards the Tender Administrator regarding a malfunction discovered in the bidding system near the closing date, even if as a result he was unable to submit its bid.
 - ❖ It shall be clarified, that to the extent that several bids are submitted by the same bidder (in respect to the same service), the bid submitted **last** will be the only one reviewed.
 - ❖ The permitted file types that can be uploaded to the system are Excel, Word and PDF. Note that macros, links, etc. within the file will not be saved.

- ❖ The **total** size of all files together should not exceed 55MB and the size of every single file shall not exceed 10MB. Make sure that the files you upload to the system do not exceed the set size limit (it is recommended to reduce the file size as much as possible before uploading the files).
- ❖ Technical assistance is available Sunday-Thursday between the hours: 8:00-19:00 (Israel Standard Time). You can contact the technical assistance center by phone: 1299 (telephone number for international calls: +972-86863100) or by email: 1299@mail.gov.il.

General Guidelines regarding Bids Submission

1. **Choosing the tender** – when entering the system, you must make sure you are on the correct tender page – The tender name is: Central Tender 01-2022 for the Addition of Services to the Government Cloud Marketplace – Round 2.

The screenshot shows the landing page of the bidding system. At the top, there is a blue header with the gov.il logo on the left, 'ENGLISH' and 'MyGov' on the right, and a 'Help and Information' link. The main content area has a title: 'Bidding System For Tender 01-2022 for Addition of Services to the Government Digital Marketplace- Round 2'. Below the title, it says 'Ministry of Finance - Government Procurement Administration' and 'Application number: 4186'. A 'Main' section contains a note: 'Fields marked with an asterisk are required'. Below this, a paragraph explains the system's purpose: 'This system is used for the submission of bids in the second round of Central Tender 01-2022 for the addition of services to the government digital marketplace. The Central Tender is part of Project Nimbus, a cross government project intended to provide a comprehensive framework for the provision of cloud services to the Government of Israel.' At the bottom of the main content area, there is a blue button labeled 'Login to the service'.

2. **Filling in the Details** – be sure to fill in all the required details in the "Bidder Details" panel, as detailed below:

The screenshot shows the 'Submission of bid' form. At the top, there is a blue header with the gov.il logo on the left, 'ENGLISH' and 'MyGov' on the right, and links for 'Save', 'My attachments', and 'Help and Information'. The main content area has a title: 'Bidding System For Tender 01-2022 for Addition of Services to the Government Digital Marketplace- Round 2'. Below the title, it says 'Ministry of Finance - Government Procurement Administration' and 'Application number: 4186'. The form is titled 'Submission of bid' and includes a note: 'Fields marked with an asterisk are required'. The form contains several input fields: 'Tender 01-2022 for the Addition of Services to the Government's Cloud Marketplace - Round 2', 'Bidder ID number in the country of registration *', 'Name of Bidder *', 'Details of an authorized representative on behalf of the bidder' (with sub-fields for 'First Name *', 'Last Name *', 'Phone Number', 'Job Title *', and 'E-mail *').

3. **File upload** – after completing filling in all the details, the files must be uploaded to the system. Please note the instructions given above regarding the maximum file size (the size of a single file and the total size of all the files included in your proposal) and regarding the types of files that can be submitted:

Instruction for attaching files

1. To attach a file, click on the "Attach a File" field.
2. The maximum individual file size allowed is 10MB.
3. The maximum size of all files uploaded (combined) is 55MB.
4. You may only upload Word, PDF or Excel file formats.
5. Password protected files (Encrypted) are not allowed.
6. Files with signed extension are not allowed.

Attach bid files

Response to the proposal booklet for all its appendices - PDF *

Attach A File	
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Response to the proposal booklet for all its appendices - word *

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4. **Signature** – after finishing uploading all the files, the submitter's statement including signature is required:

Bidder's statement

by Submitting this offer, it is declared that:

a.The bidder has read all the provisions of the tender, and accepts all the clauses of the tender and will act in accordance to them. The bidder will be prevented and silenced from raising any claim against the terms and conditions of the tender from the moment of submission of this bid.

b.The details that appear in this bid and its appendices are correct and the bidder is able and intends to keep and fulfill every detail of the bid and all the terms and conditions of the tender.

LASTNAME* FIRSTNAME*

Please note that you are submitting a bid for Tender 01-2022 for the Addition of Services to the Government's Cloud Marketplace. Before confirming and submitting the bid, make sure that you submit a bid for the right procedure

Signature


You can sign in one of the following ways:

1. In the signature field using a mouse, graphic pen, or touch screen on mobile devices.
2. Sign on a piece of paper, scan or photo it and upload it.

Signature

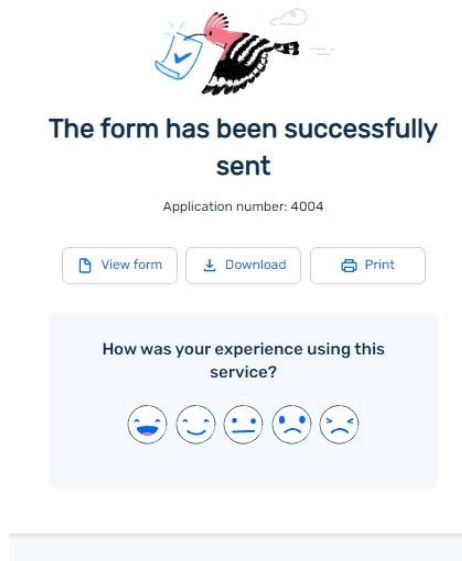
Sign by hand Scanned signature

Manual signature field* [Delete](#)



5. **Form submission** – after clicking the "send" button, do not refresh the browser and do not exit the page. Otherwise, the process will be canceled and you will have to redo the entire bidding process from the beginning.

6. **Submission confirmation** – Once the bidding process is complete, you will receive the following message (including a reference number):



** Please note that after submitting the bid in the system, a reference number will appear and a confirmation email will be sent to the bidder's email address (as filled by the bidder during the submission process). **If no reference number was received the bid was not submitted properly.**

** At any stage and even after submission, you can print or save a PDF of all the information submitted in the bid submission form.

** It will be clarified that the bid cannot be retrieved. If the bidder wishes to change or amend its bid, he must resubmit its bid and **that bid will replace the previous one.**

Good Luck!