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Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) under  
Two-Cover Bid System

for

**Supply and Installation of A100 GPUs**  
**[Global Tender]**

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**Enquiry or Tender No: [CDS/SV/DST\\_PROJECT-2022/HPC-VIS-CLIMATE/A100-Purchase/2023/1](#)**

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## 1. Preamble

As part of a project titled “High Performance Simulations and Visualization for Fine-Resolution Ocean Modelling” investigated by Profs. Sathish Vadhiyar (Department of Computational and Data Sciences), P Vinayachandran (Centre for Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences) and Vijay Natarajan (Department of Computer Science and Automation), this is Global Tender Enquiry for the procurement of 5 Nos. of NVIDIA A100 GPU cards for integration to the server nodes of an existing cluster. The detailed specifications are given below.

## 2. Technical Details

Following is the intended purchase.

Item	Quantity
NVIDIA A100 80 GB PCIe GPU cards to be integrated into the server nodes of an existing cluster. The configuration of the server nodes is given below.	5 Nos.

### **Configuration of the server nodes into which the A100 cards are to be integrated by the bidder:**

Gigabyte 2U AMD GPU server solution – R282-Z93 purchased and installed in March 2020 of the following configuration.

- 2x AMD EPYC ROME 7302, 16 Core, 3.0 GHz Processors
- 16x 16GB DDR4 2933MHz ECC REG DIMM (256GB total)
- 1x 1TB 3.5" 7.2K RPM Enterprise Class SATA HDD
- 1x 256GB 2.5" NVME M.2 SSD
- Intel X550-AT2 OCP Type 10Gb/s 2-port LAN card
- Dual 1GbE LAN Ports (Intel i350-AM2)
- Dedicated Management Port
- On-board VGA Port
- 2 USB 3.0 (Front) & 2 USB 3.0 (rear)
- Rack mount Rail Kit
- 2U Form Factor

The scope includes integration of the GPU cards to the server nodes and installation of the latest and compatible CUDA versions and drivers both on the GPU cards and on the CPU system to enable execution of CUDA programs with the latest CUDA features supported by the NVIDIA A100 80 GB PCIe GPU cards.

## **2.1 Warranty**

The GPU cards should have warranty for a period of 3 years from the date of installation of the equipment. The quotes prices must be inclusive of the warranty costs. During the warranty period, the bidder shall attend to any problems related to malfunctioning of the supplied GPU and shall replace the defective GPU cards at no extra cost to the purchaser. During the warranty period, the bidder shall attend to all failures relating to basic software installation on the cards, configuration, management, and performance. Periodic maintenance wrt the fundamental software upgrades, updates, and patches, are the responsibilities of the bidder.

## **3. Possibility of Optional Purchase**

Based on the budget availability, additional one or two NVIDIA A100 80 GB PCIe GPU cards may be purchased from the winning bidder at the quoted unit price.

## **4. Bidder's Eligibility Criteria**

1. Should have supplied and installed similar (at least five) items to any govt. institution/organization in India in the last one year
2. The bidder must have a proven record of maintaining and managing the similar items.
3. Bidders should include necessary document for establishing this with necessary proof in terms POS and customer contact details
4. Should produce authorization from the OEM, if the solution involves an OEM different from the bidder.
5. The bidder must comply with the provisions of Office Memorandum F/No/6/18/2019-PPD dated 23rd July 2020, issued by Public Procurement Division, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, GoI.

## 5. Acceptance Criteria

1. The systems should be installed, commissioned and demonstrated for the components and parameters specified in the bid and P.O by the successful bidder, for the solution to be accepted.
2. It is to be noted that maximum of two weeks will be available (after Installation & Commissioning) to the bidder to conform to this acceptance test criterion set out.
3. Any delay in commissioning or conformance to the acceptance beyond the stipulated time will result in extending the warranty: Each day of delay would result in 3 additional days of warranty.
4. This penalty clause is only applicable for solutions which are considered as technically meeting the requirements, as evaluated by the technical committee. The clause cannot therefore be used as an argument to qualify any solution, which the technical committee considers as not meeting the requirements.

## 6. General Terms and Conditions

1. Offer must be submitted under TWO-BID system i.e., “Technical bid” and “Price (Financial) bid” as hard copies in two separate sealed envelopes. These two bids must be enclosed in a larger envelope superscribed as “Bid Submission for A100 GPUs” within the stipulated period to the indicated mailing address. In addition, **soft copy of only the technical bid** must be sent by email to [vss@iisc.ac.in](mailto:vss@iisc.ac.in) within the stipulated time.
2. Delayed and/or incomplete tenders are liable to rejection.
3. The Technical Bid and the Commercial Bid should be duly signed by the authorized representative of the bidder.
4. The bidders are requested to go through the Terms and Conditions detailed in this document, before filling out the tender. Agreeing to the terms and conditions of the tender document (by signing all pages of the copy of a tender document) is a mandatory requirement.
5. A tender, not complying with any of the above conditions is liable to rejection.
6. IISc reserves the right to cancel the tender at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever.

## 7. Organization of the Technical Bid

The technical bid should strictly be organized in the following sequence only.

**Note:** IISc reserves the right to disqualify any bid that does not provide all the required data and not following the organization given below.

1. A cover letter from the bidder. Among other things, the cover letter should certify that all the requirements of the tender are provided, and the offered solutions meet and comply with the technical and other specifications of the tender.
2. Undertaking as per the format in Annexure A.
3. A copy of the masked Commercial bid has to be given in the technical offer (unpriced Bill of Material (BoM)).
4. The copy of registration certificate or a declaration in compliance with the provisions stipulated in office memorandum F/No/6/18/2019-PPD dated 23 July 2020 issued by Public Procurement Division, Dept. of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, GoI.
5. Technical details of the items required in the tender.
6. Terms and conditions of the offer.

## **8. Technical Bid – Terms and Conditions**

1. The technical bid should contain all the information and should have the organization as given in the previous section. Bids without the specific information and organization as in the previous section will be automatically disqualified.
2. No price information must be mentioned in the technical bid. Vendors who include price information in the technical bids will be automatically disqualified.
3. Technical bids will be opened first. IISc may seek clarifications after opening of technical bids.

## **9. Commercial Bid – Terms and Conditions**

1. Price bids of only technically qualified vendors will be considered. Commercial bid shall be opened for the technically qualified bidders after the technical evaluation.
2. The hardcopy commercial bid of the successful bidder, after the commercial bid opening stage, should contain among other things, unit prices, payment terms, warranty, installation, commissioning etc. as per requirements of IISc mentioned in the tender document. All such conditions must be in line with the tender. In case of any deviation or conditional offer, the bid may be treated as non-responsive and not be considered for evaluation. The Commercial bid should contain details of the prices for each one of the subsystems of the total offer clearly giving the rate and the quantity. Bundling of the prices is not acceptable.
3. In case of prices quoted in foreign currency, the exchange rate on the date of opening of the commercial bid will be considered for conversion of the foreign currency value to INR value to arrive at the total cost.
4. IISc is registered with DSIR in order to get concession / exemption in Custom Duty (for import). IISc will provide necessary documents required for availing concession / exemption in Custom Duty for import. Bidders should consider these facts while offering their price bids for this tender.
5. Indigenous order should be with GST only and must be on FOR basis. In such cases, any kind of custom duty exemption certificate will not be provided.
6. In case of rupee offer, the component of tax, and any other statutory levies should be shown separately and not included in the total amount, to enable IISc to avail any exemption.
7. In case of imports, the commercial bid should contain among other things, the name and address of the Indian agent, if any, and the agency commission payable to the agent (if any). Import order should be preferably in 'DDP - Delivered Duty Paid – IISc Bangalore' terms. However, we can accept import bids, which is CIP-Bangalore basis also, but in this case, insurance should be on "Warehouse to Warehouse" basis and should not terminate at Bangalore airport. Bids that are FOB or Ex-work basis will not be accepted in case of import order.
8. For DDP, Bill of Entry must be in the name of IISc, Custom duty must be paid by the vendor only. Before release of final payment, all original documents with regard to import must be handed over to IISc, failing which final payment may not be released.
9. For CIP, IISc will arrange for custom clearance from Bangalore Airport, however it will be sole responsibility of the vendor to provide all documents (e.g. Airway Bill, Invoice, Packing List, Bill of Lading etc.) required for filing of Bill of Entry and custom clearance must be provided to IISc well in advance. In case of any penalty / fine / demurrage is imposed due to delayed submission of documents from the vendor, then such amount will be deducted from the bill of vendor while releasing the payment.
10. Proposals should contain the name and contact details, viz., phone, fax, and email of the designated person to whom all future communication will be addressed. The contact details should also be mentioned on the overall envelope.

11. Prices should be quoted in detail, for all the subsystems given in the Technical Specifications part of the tender. Further, bid and price validity should be for three months from the date of opening of the technical bids.
12. IISc will place the purchase order only on the successful bidder as per the decision of IISc. In this regard, decision of IISc will be final and binding.

## 10. Payment Terms

1. The total project cost will consist of Equipment supply and installation and comprehensive warranty for three years from the acceptance and successful installation as decided by IISc.
2. 100% payment shall be released by IISc against delivery, inspection, successful installation, commissioning, and acceptance of the equipment at IISc Bengaluru in good and functional condition and to the entire satisfaction of the Purchaser (IISc).
3. Payment will be subject to deduction of TDS as per rules / laws and any other deduction as per PO terms.
4. The total solution as per the agreed bill of materials must be supplied within 4 weeks after receiving a firm PO from IISc. The installation and acceptance must be completed within a week after supply of the equipment.
5. Liquidated Damage: As time is the essence for this procurement, hence the ordered materials are required to be delivered and installed in all respects within the stipulated period in the purchase order failing which penalty for late delivery and installation will be imposed at the rate 1% of the total order value per week or part thereof for the delayed period subject to maximum of 10% of the total order value and this liquidated damage will be deducted during the payment of the invoice / bill of the supplier. Earliest / expected delivery period should be clearly indicated in the technical bid.

## 11. Important Dates

1. Release of tender: September 26, 2023.
2. Last date for sending queries: October 3, 2023, 5 PM IST. Queries may be sent to [vss@iisc.ac.in](mailto:vss@iisc.ac.in)
3. Release of corrigendum to the tender based on the queries, if necessary: October 5, 2023, 5 PM IST.
4. Start date for submission of the bid: October 6, 2023, 10 AM IST.
5. Last date for submission of the bid: October 16 2023, 5 PM IST.

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## 12. Annexure A - Undertaking

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Indian Institute of Science  
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**Subject: Undertaking as per GFR – 2017, Rule 170(iii)**

Dear Sir,

We, the undersigned, offer to carry out the project including Products/items, components etc. as per tender at IISc, Bangalore, in response to your Tender No CDS/SV/DST\_PROJECT-2022/HPC-VIS-CLIMATE/A100-Purchase/2023/1. We are hereby submitting our proposal for the same, which includes Technical bid and the Financial Bid. As a part of the eligibility requirement stipulated in the said tender document, we hereby submit a declaration as given below:

1. We will not withdraw or amend or modify or impair or derogate the our bid partly or fully or any condition of it after tender opening, during the period of tender validity (six months from the date of opening of the technical bid),
2. In case, we are declared as successful bidder and an order is placed on us, we will submit the acceptance in writing within 7 days of placement of order on us.
3. In case of failure on our part to deliver/provide the item/installation/service as per the order's terms and conditions within the stipulated period, we are aware that we shall be declared as ineligible for the said tender and /or debarred from any future bidding process of IISc or any Government entity for a period of minimum one year.
4. The undersigned is authorized to sign this undertaking.

Yours sincerely,

Authorized Signatory:

Name and Title of Signatory:

e-mail:

Mobile No: